

01/07/2003

An eye to the future

PUTRAJAYA Holdings Sdn Bhd handed over the completed Putrajaya Convention Centre to the Government on June 9, in a ceremony witnessed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The brainchild of Dr Mahathir, the RM650 million convention centre, spanning 20.66 hectares on a hill-top site in precinct 5 of Putrajaya, was designed to stage world-class events and host international congresses, the first of which will be the Organisation of Islamic Conference Summit in October. It can accommodate up to 10,000 delegates and boasts world-class facilities and amenities, such as video conferencing, satellite links and simultaneous interpretation booths for up to eight languages in all conference halls.

'I would say that the Putrajaya Convention Centre is a testimony to the creativity of Malaysians as well as to their determination to succeed,' says Datuk Mohd Hashim Hassan, chairman of Putrajaya Holdings, of the centre that took 24 months to build.

(END)