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Growth performance among topics at forum

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - The Non-Aligned Movement Business Forum will focus on enhancing regional and national competitive strategies to sustain growth, bridging the developmental, trade and digital divide as well as the movement's role in a changing world environment.

The two-day event, to be held from Feb 23 alongside the NAM Summit, will provide a forum for top decision-makers and business leaders in the NAM countries to focus on strengthening regional and bilateral co-operation and business issues.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will deliver an address entitled Building a New World Order - Sustaining Peace, Sharing Global Prosperity while Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi is expected to address the forum dinner.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar today launched the event and unveiled the forum's logo at a hotel and witnessed the signing ceremony between organiser Asian Strategic and Leadership Institute (Asli) and event partners.

The partners are the Confederation of Indian Industry, Commerce International Merchant Bank, DRB-Hicom, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Multi-Purpose Holdings Bhd, Nestle, Ranhill Bhd, Southern Bank Bhd, Tenaga Nasional Bhd, UEM-Renong, TV3 and the New Straits Times Press.

TV3 is the host broadcaster while NST is the official newspaper.