

Talented expats to get 10-year resident pass
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PUTRAJAYA - Malaysia will be introducing a 10-year resident pass for highly-skilled expatriates who wish to live and work in the country on a long-term basis.

The pass is also for those who were originally from Malaysia but are no longer citizens, and their children, The Star reported.

The Immigration Department should begin receiving applications for the pass by April 1, at the latest.

Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak said that unlike an employment pass, the bearer of the new pass will not be tied to an employer.

"And it can be issued for a period of 10 years," he said, adding the duration could be renewed.

"Spouses of resident pass holders can also seek employment in Malaysia. We welcome highly-skilled foreign talent who are able to work with us in driving Malaysia's economic transformation," Najib said when launching Talent Corporation Malaysia on Monday.

He said many Malaysians, including fashion icon Jimmy Choo and Prof Danny Quah, who is department head and economics professor at the prestigious London School of Economics and Political Science, have achieved international success while working abroad.

Najib also announced that the Government would allow selected students in the Public Service Department's (PSD) scholarship programme to serve their bond outside the civil service.

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