

# 'Peace key in bid to seek trade, investments'

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Amid rapid advancements in technology and the global economy, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has called for a renewed focus on global peace as it is essential for stability and continued growth.

He said any country, bloc or union must take this factor seriously if they wanted to continue attracting investors and stimulating trade opportunities.

"Amid the drive for technological advancements and economic growth, the factor of global peace must be considered to sustain world stability.

"This critical point must be a priority for any country, bloc or union that seeks to continue drawing investment and boosting trade," he said at the Asean Plenary Session, "Even Stronger Together", at the World Economic Forum 2025 Summit in Davos, Switzerland.

During the summit and on the sidelines of it, Anwar held meetings with world leaders to strengthen Malaysia's political and economic ties.

Among the key topics discussed were advancing education, trade, petroleum cooperation and the situation in Gaza.

Anwar met with Libyan Prime Minister Abdul Hamid Dbeibeh, where both leaders agreed to boost cooperation in economic growth, investment and trade.

In a meeting with Dutch Prime Minister Dick Schoof, Anwar emphasised their shared commitment to advancing partnerships in education, the economy, and trade.

Anwar also met with Somali President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud, where they discussed bilateral ties and addressed issues such as the ceasefire in Gaza.

"At the end of the meetings, I extended invitations to all the leaders to visit Malaysia," he said in a Facebook post.

In another post, Anwar said he also held a meeting with Patrick Pouyanne, chairman and chief executive officer of TotalEnergies, a French multi-energy firm.

He said their discussion was focused on TotalEnergies' role in Sarawak's oil and petroleum sector.