



Anwar, with (from left) Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail, Transport Minister Anthony Loke and Investment, Trade and Industry Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz at the one-on-one meeting with China Semiconductor Industry Association members in Beijing yesterday. - **BERNAMAPIC**

## PM launches book by renowned Chinese economist

**BEIJING:** Malaysia, Truly Asia: A Country That Captivates the Heart, a newly published Chinese-language book by renowned economist and scholar Dr Yan Lijin, was launched here yesterday by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The book, which features a foreword by Anwar, offers what he described as a vivid and compelling portrait of Malaysia - a vibrant, dynamic nation that safeguards its biodiversity, celebrates cultural diversity and balances tradition with modernity.

"His unique insights will offer fresh perspectives for those seeking to invest, study

or explore Malaysia,

"His reflections also highlight Malaysia's crucial role in the Belt and Road Initiative and its unique position as a hub for economic growth, cultural integration and green industries in Southeast Asia," said Anwar at the launch, held on the sidelines of his meeting with Chinese investors and business leaders.

He added that stronger exchanges between Malaysia and China would allow both nations to work more closely in unlocking opportunities and addressing future challenges.

In his foreword, Anwar also commended Yan's contributions in building stronger links

between China and other countries, including Malaysia.

He said Yan's understanding and recognition of Malaysia's values, culture and development vision reflect his deep appreciation for the nation.

"Over the years, he has become not just an ally to Malaysia, but a true friend."

According to its table of contents, the book not only outlines the Malaysia Madani vision but also explores the nation's economic and social development, cultural exchanges and prospects under the Belt and Road Initiative.

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