

**Tuanku Aishah Rohani Proclaimed USIM Chancellor
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PUTRAJAYA, Dec 3 (Bernama) -- The Tunku Ampuan Besar of Negeri Sembilan, Tuanku Aishah Rohani Tengku Besar Mahmud was proclaimed as the Chancellor of Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM) at the university's ninth convocation Saturday.

The proclamation was made by USIM vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Muhamad Muda, representing Higher Education Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin.

Speaking at the ceremony, Tuanku Aishah Rohani said all parties should appreciate the efforts of the Malaysian government, Higher Education Ministry and the Negeri Sembilan state government in developing education facilities in the country.

"With the support of the government, more graduates will be generated each year. USIM itself, after more than 10 years of development, is one of the respected Islamic institutions in the Asean region.

"The outstanding achievements of graduates not only in academics but in co-curriculum such as debate, Islamic arts and culture and international relations are a measure of USIM's ability to move forward and help realise the higher education policy and the Malaysian government's vision," she said.

A total of 1,196 graduates were conferred with degrees in various fields at the ceremony.

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