

**Government Working Towards Developing More Young Entrepreneurs, Says Ahmad Maslan**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 21 (Bernama) -- The government is working towards developing more young entrepreneurs through the National Forum for Young Leaders and Entrepreneurship (FKPMK), said Deputy Finance Minister Datuk Ahmad Maslan.

He said efforts are also being made to surpass the 5,000 target set under 1Malaysia Entrepreneur (1MeT) for this.

1MeT is an initiative by the government through the Ministry of Finance to assist young entrepreneurs start or develop their business.

Ahmad Maslan said the FKPMK was a new platform created by the government to expose young entrepreneurs on the importance of leadership and entrepreneurship.

"This is the first year the FKPMK is being held and the response from various quarters was very encouraging. We plan to make it an annual event.

"All the young entrepreneurs (who have been successfully developed to date) will be gathered to attend the Global Entrepreneurship Summit (GES2013) next month," he told reporters after officiating the FKPMK here Saturday.

According to Ahmad Maslan, FKPMK is a precursor to the GES2013, an international event which will witness world leaders, researchers and successful entrepreneurs, coming together to share experiences, generate ideas and have discussions on entrepreneurship.

To be held over two days from Oct 11, the GES2013, will also see the participation of US President Barack Obama.

He will be in Kuala Lumpur after attending the APEC CEO Summit 2013 in Bali from Oct 5-7.

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