

Malaysia to host forum for education ministers

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PETALING JAYA: Malaysia has been given the honour of hosting the 17th Commonwealth Education Ministers' Conference in 2009.

The proposal to host the conference was put forward by Education Minister Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein and secretary-general Datuk Dr Zulkurnain Awang at the 16th Commonwealth Education Ministers' Conference in Cape Town, South Africa, which ended on Thursday.

"The conference is an educational forum for education ministers and government officers from the Commonwealth coun-

tries to meet and share experiences, suggestions, activities and good practices.

"This will help improve the standards and quality of education among the members of the Commonwealth," Hishammuddin said in a press statement.

The conference, held every three years, will be a chance for Malaysia to demonstrate the effective use of ICT in teaching and learning, as well as to promote its education industry to the members of the Commonwealth countries, particularly those from East Asia and Africa, he added.