

UMP, NIU FORGED A COOPERATION, OFFERING ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY



graduates or technologists who meet the needs required by the job market.

"UMP has taken positive steps in exploring the opportunities together with universities abroad in meeting the objectives outlined by the ministry by forging the cooperation with Northern Illinois University (NIU).

"We pick NIU because it has vast experience in technology engineering-based programmes which are implemented by College of Engineering and Engineering Technology (CEET). It is recognized by the US certification body," he said.

He added that the cooperation would indirectly help UMP to add more values on its engineering technology programmes to be offered next year.

It would also give more

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history when it signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Northern Illinois University (NIU), in offering an engineering technology programme, on May 20, 2011 at De Kalb Illinois, US.

UMP was represented Vice-Chancellor Professor Dato' Dr Daing Nasir Ibrahim and Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic and International) Professor Dr Badhrulhisham Abd Aziz while NIU, by Executive Vice-President, Dr Raymond W.Alden III and Associate Provost, International Programme, Dr Deborah Pierce. Also present was Higher Education Minister, Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin.

Dato' Dr Daing Nasir said the MoU



met the objective set by the ministry for each university member of the Malaysia Technical University Network (MTUN) to place a target of offering 60% technology programmes and 40% of engineering programmes by 2015.

"The programs offered are in line with the Malaysian Government's aspirations and initiatives in producing more able and competent engineering

added values to engineering technology programmes offered via curriculum development and joint courses to ensure that these courses would receive recognition from the international body - American Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET).

Also present was Higher Education Department Deputy Director General Professor Dr Morshidi Sirat and NIU top management.