

UMP, HP AND TEL FORMED A COOPERATION TO GROOM MORE SOFTWARE EXPERTS

Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) has established a cooperation with Hewlett-Packard (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. dan Technology Education Leader Sdn. Bhd. in a move to enhance its capability in producing competitive and marketable graduates.

UMP, through its Computer System and Software Engineering Faculty (FSKKP), inked the deal on November 14, 2011.

UMP was represented by its Vice-Chancellor Professor Dato' Dr Daing Nasir Ibrahim and FSKKP's Associate Professor Dr Jasni Mohamed Zain while Hewlett-Packard (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. by its HP Software Education director Yeow Cheng Lian and country manager (Asia) Tan Soon Leong.

Technology Education Leader Sdn. Bhd. (TEL) was represented by its chairman Datuk Ibrahim Tamby Chik and chief executive officer Datin Zaharah Dato' Jelani.

Dato' Daing said the cooperation was a follow-up to a recent strategic alliance struck between FSKKP and Malaysia Software Testing Board (MSTB).

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The certification would be issued by an accreditation panel.

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based on the market standard as currently, many companies are using HP software to develop and maintain their systems," he said at the signing of the MoU at the Chancellery Banquet Hall.

He added that it would also help to expand the country's software industry as more professional workers with international recognition would be produced.

He also said software testing was a section of the information technology field and government policies already in place that included investment incentives and world-class infrastructure would definitely support efforts to turn Malaysia as the main player for the industry in near future.

Yeow Cheng also said HP had the world's best system that gave full support in promoting culture of excellence so expert technologists could be groomed in the country.

The cooperation fostered that involved TEL, appointed by HP Software Education, would streamline all training activities in



universities nationwide.

Datuk Ibrahim said there were now 150 people who had been trained under the programme to cater to the needs for qualified testing engineers and programmers.

He added that the strategy and initiative taken by UMP would fulfill the Government's efforts in developing a sound ecosystem for the software industry.