

# UMS collaborates with South Korean industrial companies

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**KOTA KINABALU:** Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) through the Faculty of Engineering (FKJ) held a collaboration with several industrial companies in South Korea in an effort to open opportunities for its students to undergo industrial training in the country.

In a statement yesterday, it was stated that the collaboration was sealed during the FKJ visit program headed by the Dean of FKJ, Prof Assoc Ts. Dr Ismail Saad to several industrial companies and universities in South Korea recently.

During the visit program, Ismail had signed Surat Niat (LoI) with Donghai-Holesaw Co. Ltd., KD Seal Co. Ltd and Sesung Co. Ltd.

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The UMS delegation's visit to KD Seal Tech Co. Ltd, South Korea.

ration with two universities, namely Seoul National University and Chosun University.

"This collaboration, among others, is to help in the placement of industrial training and

research collaboration between the two parties in the future," said Ismail.

He also said that a total of 13 UMS students had reported to work in several organisations in South Korea on July 25.

According to him, the initiative to obtain placements for UMS students in South Korea was pioneered by Emeritus Professor Kim Seock-Sam from Kyungpook National University, South Korea since 2014 when he held the position of professor at FKJ UMS, and is now on the International Industry Advisory Panel appointed by the faculty.

The 13 students involved underwent industrial training for 10 weeks at Donghai Holesaw, Sesung, Goonworld and KD Seal Tech Co.

Meanwhile, UMS Vice Chancellor, Prof Datuk Dr Kasim Hj Mansor said that the

collaboration is one of UMS' efforts to further increase the marketability of graduates in addition to realizing the university's internationalization agenda through good relationships with overseas industries.

"There is no doubt that the experience of undergoing industrial training in a developed country will give advantages to the students of this university, thus contributing to competent and competitive human resources in Malaysia, especially in Sabah.

"At the same time, this collaboration also increases the visibility of UMS in global eyes in line with the university's Bidang Tujahan Utama Ke-3 which is Global Prominence," said Kasim.