

# Geological knowledge at UMS strengthened

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**KOTA KINABALU:** An international leader in subsurface interpretation analysis and geoscience, Eliis, has donated five academic software licenses (Paleoscan) along with technical support and application training worth RM3 million to strengthen geological knowledge at Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS).

The presentation of the license was completed by the Vice President of Eliis Southeast Asia Region (SEA), Jusmila Baharom to the Dean of the Faculty of Science and Natural Resources (FSSA) UMS, Professor Dr Jualang @ Azlan Gansau, at a ceremony here, yesterday.

Earlier, UMS Vice Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin in his speech said that the UMS-Eliis collaboration is a proactive step in adding value

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and strengthening knowledge of geology, petroleum exploration and subsurface modeling that will provide mutual benefits, especially to undergraduate and postgraduate students.

"Through its expertise in data processing and computer engineering, the France-based company has successfully produced a new generation of software known as PaleoScan which is now used by oil and gas-based multinational companies,"

he said.

In line with the development of revolutionary industrial technology 4.0 (IR4.0), PaleoScan owned by Eliis has a good capacity to be an intermediary in combining artificial intelligence (AI) with human intelligence.

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cooperation," said Taufiq.

The text of his speech was read by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Student and Alumni Affairs) of UMS, Prof Prof Dr Raman Noordin | According to Taufiq, the five PaleoScan licenses and training received indirectly benefit the teaching and learning (PdP) of courses in the Geology Program covering Petroleum Geology, Geophysics, Formation Assessment, Structural Geology and Regional Geology.

"This will also benefit the research projects of lecturers and also FSSA postgraduate students, especially geology lecturers. Indeed, the university management will always support the noble efforts that will be implemented by Eliis with UMS through FSSA," he said.