Researchers Should Remain Competitive

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FRIDAY, 23 AUGUST – The government's efforts in injecting fund to encourage Research and Development (R & D) including innovation are in line with the competitiveness practiced by other countries to stay competitive and increasing their economic growth rate.

Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI), Datuk Dr. Ewon Ebin said that Malaysia would surely be marginalised if it does not strive to increase its competitiveness in the international arena.

"Thus, the role of researchers and inventors is important

to ensure that research, development and commercialisation (R, D & C) would continue to increase and helps Malaysia towards being a developed country," he said when officiating at the Dialogue Session With Fund Recipients and Applicants and a Talk on MOSTI Fund.

Datuk Dr. Ewon also announced a collaboration between MOSTI and Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) through 16 projects related to marine and agriculture in the 10th Malaysia Plan.

Also present were MOSTI Secretary-General, Dato' Dr. Rosli Mohamed, Federal Secretary of Sabah, Dato' Abu Bakar Hassan, UMS Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Datuk Dr. Mohd. Harun Abdullah and UMS Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Research and Innovation, Prof. Dr. Shahril Yusof. – FL

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