

UMS seals MoA with MEC, continue academic excellence agenda

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) on Monday signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the Malaysian Examinations Council (MEC) to continue the excellence agenda.

According to the Vice Chancellor, Prof Datuk Dr Kasim Hj Mansor, the MoA marks an important milestone between the collaboration of the two institutions to conduct the Malaysian University English Test (MUET) in China.

"As an internationally recognized English language assessment, the MUET assessment is usually taken by local and international students before entering a Malaysian university.

"The MoA between UMS and MEC will help further enhance MUET's status as a European Common Reference Framework for parallel language assessment among foreign students.

"This step is in line with UMS' aspirations to take more international students and



Adnan (second from left) and Kasim (second from right) at the signing of the MoA document.

MEC's vision to expand MUET in other countries," he said in a statement in conjunction with the MoA ceremony.

He said that by conducting MUET in China, the university can expand the pool of potential students with a good cooperative relationship with MEC.

"The MoA that has been agreed, can indirectly open up more opportunities for UMS to collaborate with its counterparts

from China in matters related to education," he said.

In conjunction with the event, Dr Kasim praised the Faculty of Psychology and Education for their tireless efforts to realize the MoA.

Meanwhile, the Chief Executive of MEC, Adnan Husin informed that there are 17 international higher education institutions that recognize MUET as an entry qualification for the

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

He also informed that their side is committed to raising its profile as an internationally recognized higher education test supervisor, especially for universities.

He added MEC thanked the university for its support and strategic initiatives in making the MoA a success.