

UMS hopes to attract students from Middle East

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) through its business wing UMS Link Holding Sdn Bhd will undertake a study on how to attract more international students especially those from Middle East to learn in the university.

Its deputy vice chancellor (academic and international) Prof Dr. Shariff Abd. Kadir S. Omang said this is among the expansionary programmes of UMS.

He said its Professional Development Centre UMS Link (UCPD) would also plan on how to work with quarters in looking at study potentials according to the needs of various industries.

Apart from Middle East, UMS are focusing on countries like Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam and Myanmar.

He added that the university would be sending a team to Taiwan with the hope of harnessing students there.

"We have many students from China and the rest of the bulk of international students comes from Korea and Turkey," he told a press conference after presenting certificates to international students.

A total of 189 comprising 166 international students from China, Korea, and one from Turkey attended the event.

Sheriff Abdul Kadir said many Chinese students are interested to study in UMS because Sabah is peaceful with low costs and the many attractions in the State.