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UMS stock investment lab soon

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) and the Malaysian National News Agency (Bernama) will sign a memorandum of understanding next Monday for the setting up of a stock investment lab at the university's School of Business and Economics.

The signing will be witnessed by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, who will be visiting the university that day.

UMS said that with the setting up of the investment lab, it would become the country's first university to introduce a teaching module on real-time stock market trading to its students.

Bernama will provide 25 computer terminals with the Bernama Hyperlink software containing real-time information on trading in the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange.

The software would also enable students to make virtual share investments using actual market information, UMS said in a statement Wednesday.

The investment lab would have a public gallery where the price movements of all the counters listed on the KLSE could be monitored.

"Such facilities will enable students to experience the actual investment atmosphere and build up skills in stock investments," said UMS. - Bernama