Timor Leste students to study at UMS

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KOTA KINABALU: Timor Leste Prime Minister Kay Rala Xanana Gusmao will witness the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) here on Wednesday that will see his nation benefit from skills training for the oil and gas (O&G) industry provided by a Malaysian institution of higher learning here.

The MoU between Timor Leste's Petroleum and Mineral Resources and Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will allow 30 Timor Leste students to study for certificates and

diplomas.

Gusmao, who is arriving here tomorrow night from Kuala Lumpur, is on an three-day official visit to Malaysia. He is also slated to be conferred an honorary doctorate in international relations by UMS.

During the visit to the university, he will launch a UMS-Timor Leste liaison centre, located in UMS Chancellory building's research gallery. The centre will coordinate and strengthen the ties with the republic. He is scheduled to depart for Singapore on Wednesday.