



MOSTI's Permanent Secretary Datuk Zainuddin Aman (left) exchanging the signed MoU with UMS' Vice-Chancellor Datuk Dr Kasim Mansur, witnessed by Arifin (middle).

# MOSTI signs MoU with UMS

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**KOTA KINABALU:** The collaboration between the Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry (MOSTI) and University Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will help to make learning of science, technology and innovation (STI) a culture among students.

Its minister, Datuk Mohd Arifin Arif, said UMS has the experts in the field of STEM and therefore the ministry's collaboration with the higher learning institute would have positive results.

He said this after witnessing the official signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the ministry and UMS here yesterday.

The cooperation between MOSTI and UMS has been established for a long time and among their collaborations

are the implementation of programmes, projects or initiatives on STI/STEM culture involving the quintuple helix, networking and sharing of expert networks as advisors or other roles for STIE programmes or initiatives at the state or national level as well as related activities to help implement policies and the ministry's strategic plans for 2022-2025.

Earlier Arifin also witnessed the MoU signing between Sabah Skills Training Centre (SSTC) with Bayam Enterprise Sdn Bhd (BESB) and SBH Kibing Solar New Materials (M) Sdn Bhd.

The two collaborations would focus more on cooperation related to human resource development, including the planning and training programmes.

The MoU between SSTC and

BESB will enable the latter to share its expertise and knowledge with local talent, providing them with the necessary skills to contribute to the growth of the oil and gas industry.

In addition, it also focuses on expertise sharing, module development and running the Offshore Medic programme and cooperation in human resource development for the offshore catering kitchen program.

SBH Kibing Solar New Materials (M) Sdn Bhd is a solar glass manufacturer under the Kibing Group that has the largest production and glass manufacturing scale in Asia.

The MoU with SSTC will focus on cooperation in human resource development for SBH Kibing Solar New Materials (M) Sdn Bhd.