

# UMS to expand cooperation with Japanese institutions

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**KOTA KINABALU:** Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) is expanding international cooperation with technology and industry-based countries such as Japan.

UMS Centre for Internationalisation and Global Engagement director Prof Dr Ho Chong Mun said such cooperation is important to inculcate progressive work culture, knowledge and experience among students and lecturers in line with the development of Industry 4.0 Revolution.

“As an example, we have been sending students and lecturers every year to undergo industrial training as part of the content

of the cooperation with Kindai University of Japan.

“Over there, they will experience for themselves the more advanced work environment and culture and to support the effort of the university to produce graduates who are more ready to work or also known as future-ready graduates,” he said here yesterday.

He was speaking to reporters after a courtesy call by the head of the Consular Office of Japan in Kota Kinabalu, Kako Shiho on UMS vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr D Kamaruddin D Mudin recently.

According to Ho, UMS will also be signing Memorandums

of Understanding (MoU) with two more leading universities in Japan this year.

The cooperation will encompass staff and student exchange programmes in research and UMS students industrial training placement in Japanese companies apart from various other cooperation to benefit both parties, he added.

“In this regard, the Consulate General of Japan is also happy to offer UMS other assistance if necessary.

“At the same time, he is also helping to look for Japanese companies interested to invest in Sabah,” he said. - Bernama