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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN MELAKA INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MICOST) & ASIA e UNIVERSITY (AeU)

KUALA LUMPUR, 21st **June 2011 -** The Melaka International College of Science & Technology (MICOST) & Asia e University (AeU) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) at the AeU campus in Kuala Lumpur on 21st June 2011 for a significant partnership that leverages on collaboration in teaching and learning.

Present at the ceremony representing AeU were YBhg Prof Dato Dr Ansary Ahmed, President & CEO, Dr Abdillah Suffian, Vice President of Marketing & Communications and its senior management. MICOST was represented by its Chief Executive YBhg Dr Mohd Aluwi Sari and its Deputy Registrar, Ms Puziah Fezal.

The collaboration between the two parties will take off immediately and would be instrumental in the commitment to deliver foundation, diploma, undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in the fields of education, pharmacy and science, IT and industry-related subjects.

"This collaboration with MICOST opens up an exciting phase in AeU's commitment and development in the promotion of flexible, quality and lifelong e-learning in Melaka and its surrounding states. We are very pleased with the opportunity to collaborate with MICOST to serve the community with the development of life-long learning for full time or on-line students," comments Prof Dato' Dr Ansary.

Its Chief Executive YBhg Dr Mohd Aluwi adds that "this collaboration will further demonstrate Yayasan Melaka's commitment to support the community and provide the platform for the enhancement of professionalism and knowledge to serve society".

About Asia e-University (AeU)

AeU is a flexible multinational university officially established in April 2007. Set in Asia, by Asians for Asia under the Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD). Its establishment is an initiative of Malaysia as the prime mover for e-education, with the

support of 31 ACD member countries as confirmed at the Islamabad 2005 and Doha 2006 ACD Ministerial Meetings.

The vision of the University is to be a leader and a premier educational hub in the promotion of affordable and quality e-learning in Asia. Its mission is to work in collaboration with universities, institutions and corporations, drawing upon their collective expertise, prestige and resources to provide quality Higher Education and Lifelong Learning. Presently AeU has ventured into more than 20 of the 31 ACD countries.

The global inter-connecting nature of Asia e University forms the catalyst for creating a progressive knowledge community in the Asian and Middle Eastern region through the application of a digital learning and information gateway.

More information can be obtained from its website at www.aeu.edu.my

About Melaka International College of Science & Technology (MICOST)

MiCoST is wholly owned by Yayasan Melaka. The Chief Minister, YAB Datuk Seri Mohd Ali Rustam envisioned the idea to form this college to provide pharmacy programmes in Melaka. In line with this idea MiCoST was established in 2006.

Ever since then, MiCoST has been providing quality and competitive programmes in pharmacy and other related fields. The core programme is Diploma in Pharmacy on collaboration with Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) as a homegrown programme. MiCoST is also in the process of offering new programmes such as Management, Accounting and Business Studies in the near future.

In March 2011, MiCoST received recognition for its excellence in quality management system with the award of ISO 9001:2008 certificate.





(seated from left) Dr Abdillah Suffian, Prof Dato Dr Ansary Ahmed, Dr Mohd Aluwi Sari and Ms Puziah Fezal





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