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MIMOS has sealed research collaborations in frontier technologies with 13 local universities aimed at creating the MIMOS virtual research team. The collaborations were made official at a signing ceremony themed, "Collaborative Research Towards Building a K-Nation", recently.

The collaborations will see the 13 local universities focusing on basic research in their respective technological areas of excellence; while MIMOS will concentrate on applied research in frontier technologies.

The effort is expected to support the Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry's Technology and Innovation Roadmap that serves as a compass for researchers in aligning their

work towards achieving the national aspiration of K-Nation.

"The universities essentially serve as MIMOS virtual research centres and will undertake basic research to complement MIMOS applied research to build technology competencies in driving centres of excellence," said MIMOS president and chief executive officer Datuk Abdul Wahab Abdullah.

The 13 are University of Malaya (UM), Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM), Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM), International Islamic University of Malaysia (IIUM), Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM), Universiti

Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS), Multimedia Universiti (MMU), Universiti Tenaga Malaysia (UNITEN), Universiti Kuala Lumpur (UNIKL) and the MUST Ehsan Foundation.

The collaborations further strengthen MIMOS' network of dedicated partners and provides it with the opportunity to pool strengths and tap into a wealth of expertise in exploring and discovering innovative basic research techniques.

"The extension of MIMOS research teams to include universities empowers MIMOS to undertake market focused strategic applied research to grow the indigenous industries and develop joint projects for wealth creation, knowledge generation and social well being," added Wahab.