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Celebrating 25 Years of Research and Development

MIMOS celebrates a quarter century's worth of achievements



The Malaysian Institute of Microelectronics Systems, or MIMOS, as it is known celebrates its 25th anniversary with aplomb by honouring its founder, Tengku Datuk Dr. Mohd Azzman Shariffadeen and Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamed, the then Prime Minister of Malaysia with awards to thank the efforts of the two in making MIMOS the premier national applied research centre in frontier technologies.

"We are proud to celebrate this landmark achievement of 25 years in R&D for the country. The key drivers of our success have been the commitment and dedication of MIMOS employees, consistent investment in R&D, and the network of strong collaborations with our partners," says Dato' Abdul Wahab Abdullah, President & CEO of MIMOS.

MIMOS today has a burgeoning number of Intellectual Property portfolio that are both obtained locally and abroad, and is recognised as the premier applied research centre that develops technology platforms for commercialisation by local industries. As a result, a business market tunnel that is worth RM1.092 billion and that cuts

Recipients of the MIMOS Innovator Awards on stage.

across various industry verticals has been created, and is being aimed at pushing Malaysia's local ICT industries to the global market.

"Our ultimate goal is to drive technology from being a tool to being an enabler integrating multiple technologies and domain knowledge and subsequently as a sector, pushing for technology to be adopted as a standard," says Wahab.

Through the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Tun Dr. Mahathir was honoured with a National ICT Leadership award, which is the result of his visionary leadership that allowed MIMOS to take root, thereby setting the stage for Malaysia's ICT development. Tengku Datuk Dr. Azzman was also recognised as the founder of MIMOS, who had laid the foundation and was the man responsible for the country's humble beginnings into the ICT industry.

Others who were honoured included Dr. Mohamed Awang Lah, together with Professor Emeritus Dato' Dr. Mohd. Zawawi Ismail, Datuk Dr. Mohd Arif Nun and Professor Dr. Ghazie Ismail who are also recognised as the Pioneer Management Team of MIMOS when it first began operations in 1985.

Facebook's New Features

The same week that Google+ was released in private beta, Facebook countered by blocking the Facebook Friend Exporter, a Chrome extension that lets you port your friends to other services. This is to prevent Facebook users from bringing friends over to Google+. A few other big announcements from Facebook includes Facebook Video Calling with Skype, Group Chat and a New Design. Mark Zuckerberg, CEO of Facebook comments, "Companies that focus will always do better than ones that try to do a million things." Whether that was an indirect comment on Google remains vague.

