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MIMOS Bhd, which yesterday launched two training centres, sees the facilities helping the country further nurture the information and communications technology sector.

President and CEO Datuk Abdul Wahab Abdullah said the centres will be the best place to tap knowledge in ICT, currently the domain of multinational Fortune 100 companies.

"Capability wise, it is there. We want more of the locals to have the capability," he told reporters after launching the Cisco Asian Centre of Excellence in Networking Technologies (Acent) and Centre of Excellence in Test and Measurement Technologies in Asia (Cemta) in Kuala Lumpur, yesterday.

Abdul Wahab said the move was in line with Mimos' mission to promote and license Mimos technologies or intellectual properties to enterprises in efforts to strengthen their capabilities to compete globally and move



Abdul Wahab (left) and IMS Asia managing director Palaniappan Alagan at the launch of the training centres in Kuala Lumpur, yesterday

Malaysians higher up in the value chain.

The two centres were developed in collaboration with Cisco Systems and Agilent Technologies.

Mimos signed a memorandum of understanding with Cisco Malaysia and Agilent last year on the formation of the two centres.

Under the MOU, Cisco has

pledged to provide technology and training at the centres while, Agilent and Mimos will provide the venue.

Acent will facilitate training to develop domain experts as well as indigenous skills and capabilities in advanced networking technologies aimed at doubling the number of skilled advanced networking personnel in the country.

Cemta provides the latest test and measurement equipment and proof-of-concept for demonstration and evaluation for small and medium-sized enterprises across Asia, including Malaysia.

President of Agilent Technologies Malaysia and Singapore, Gooi Soon Chai, does not expect the facilities to be a "white elephant".