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The MoU between Malaysia's primary tech research agency and Mindteck paves the way for joint global promotion of a life sciences IT solution.

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Malaysia's Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation research agency MIMOS announced in late February that it had signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian technology provider Mindteck to collaborate on the promotion of a locally developed IT solution globally.

MIMOS CEO Dato' Abdul Wahab Abdullah said that MIMOS' IP (intellectual property) called Enterprise Knowledge Management System (eKMS), designed for the life sciences industry, will be promoted worldwide by public-listed company Mindteck. "The eKMS is the first MIMOS-developed IT technology to be taken up

by an Indian IT company," he said. "The interoperable eKMS framework can also be used across multiple verticals to develop industry specific solutions for the public, energy, semiconductor and banking, financial services and insurance sectors amongst others."

Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Seri Dr Maximus Ongkili, who witnessed the exchange of

the MoU documents between MIMOS' Wahab and Mindteck CFO Suresh Rao at Mindteck's Bangalore headquarters, said: "Based on the 2010 World Intellectual Property Organisation [WIPO], Malaysia has moved up from 30th to 25th position in IPs filed. This collaboration will enhance and globalise MIMOS' IP portfolio, while strengthening Mindteck's position in the marketplace."

"For IPs filed by the Government, MIMOS' contribution has increased from 41 percent in 2009 to 49 percent last year," said Dr Ongkili, adding that from 2004 till 2010, MIMOS had filed 489 patents in Malaysia, and that this was in addition to the other 280 international patents filed since 2008. **CW**



Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Seri Dr Maximus Ongkili (centre) witnessing the exchange of the MoU documents between MIMOS CEO Dato' Abdul Wahab Abdullah (right) and Mindteck Chief Financial Officer Suresh Rao at Mindteck's Bangalore, India headquarters on February 21, 2011.