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ICT industry expected to grow beyond 11% of GDP

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KUALA LUMPUR — The ICT industry, an ever-growing segment of Malaysia's march towards an industrialised nation, make up for 11 per cent of the country's GDP and is expected to grow even bigger.

Former Pikom CEO Cheah Kok Hoong last week said that the ICT industry is ever-growing with an estimate ten to 12 per cent growth in 2014, 400,000 ICT professionals and a salary increase for ICT professional of 7.2 per cent.

"The ICT industry makes up for 11 per cent of the country's GDP and it is only expected to grow bigger. Pikom is confident that it will achieve revenue of RM95 billion by 2017," he said.

However, to enhance the ICT industry, the authorities are expected to give more attention to the sector.

In its post-budget 2015 comments, Pikom said there should be more ICT-focused initiatives as the country is moving towards a high-income and knowledge-based economy.

In the 2015 Budget, the government allocated RM1.3 billion to the **Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (Mosti)**, for research and development and commercialisation purposes.

In an effort to further strengthen the industry, Pikom will also begin individual memberships to attract ICT professionals into the association, and create a platform to discuss and find solutions for issues in the industry.

Pikom's new CEO Woon Chin Ming said that as the industry is growing and has been integrated into the daily lives of most of Malaysia, the association will be working harder to ensure

that technology reaches more people.

"We have six trusts in place to elevate exposure in public areas and reach people in the older age range to increase usage and bring more returns," Woon said.

'Outsourcing Malaysia', a chapter under Pikom that aims to promote and develop Malaysia's outsourcing services industry as a global hub for high-value outsourcing has also presented a positive report card, leading to a new sub-chapter 'Shared Services', created to better serve the industry.

When asked if he was concerned with how the implementation of the GST will affect the industry in 2015, he said the effects will only be short-term.

Nevertheless, the implementation of the GST remains a challenge for the industry, but Cheah believe its impact will be temporary.

"The GST would not affect us much as its effect will only last a few months after implementation before the market normalises again," said Cheah.

The budget has also allocated RM2.7 billion for the construction of 1,000 telecommunications towers and the laying of undersea cables over the next three years to boost connectivity and coverage.

The prime minister also said in his budget address that the expansion of high-speed broadband in areas of high economic impact, in particular in Kuala Lumpur and other large urban centres, would continue.

The planned investments are likely to help increase internet penetration rates, with some estimates putting coverage at 75 per cent of households as of the end of 2015, up from the 67.7 per cent recorded in the first quarter of 2014.



Cheah congratulating newly appointed Pikom CEO Woon at the Pikom press conference last week. — Picture by Pikom

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The poster features a yellow background with a blue border. On the left side, there are four stylized robot icons in blue, red, purple, and green. The central text reads '14 nice NATIONAL INNOVATION CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION' in blue, with '14' in a red circle. Below this, the dates '31 Oktober - 2 November 2014' and '9.00 pagi - 5.00 petang, PWTC Kuala Lumpur' are listed in red. A line of text says 'Penyertaan percuma'. The main headline 'Teknologi Memperkasa Inovasi' is in large black font. In the top right, the Malaysian coat of arms and the MOSTI logo (KEMENTERIAN SAINS, TEKNOLOGI DAN INOVASI) are present. A photograph of YB Datuk Dr. Ewon Ebin, Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, is on the right. At the bottom, there is a QR code, the hashtag #NICEMOSTI2014, the website www.mosti.gov.my/nice2014, and the Twitter handle @MyMOSTI. Logos for 'TAHUN PENGKOMERSILAN MOSTI 2014' and 'Sains & Inovasi Pemacu Transformasi DEKAD INOVASI 2010 - 2020' are also included.

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Potensi besar pasaran material canggih

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SYARIKAT tempatan perlu memanfaatkan peluang pelaburan besar dalam industri material canggih yang mendapat permintaan tinggi dari dalam dan luar negara.

Timbalan Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi (MOSTI), Datuk Dr. Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah (**gambar**) berkata, selaras dengan Tahun Pengkomersialan MOSTI 2014, ia tepat pada masanya bagi negara memperkukuh kehadiran dalam pasaran itu.

Katanya, bahan canggih yang merupakan teknologi dasar baharu ketika ini sentiasa dinaik taraf supaya mempunyai nilai tambah dalam menyokong aktiviti pembuatan di Malaysia.

"Pertumbuhan sihat penyeli-

kan dan pembangunan (R&D) serta peningkatan jumlah penerimaan terhadap material ini sekali gus menawarkan potensi ekonomi yang besar jika dieksploitasi secara strategik," katanya ketika berucap merasmikan Forum Penyelidikan Lux NanoMalaysia 2014 di sini hari ini.

Turut hadir, Timbalan Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Lembaga Pembangunan Pelaburan Malaysia (MIDA), Datuk Phang Ah Tong. Forum sehari anjuran NanoMalaysia dan Lux Research bertujuan menyediakan platform bagi pemain pasaran untuk berbincang tentang trend dan prospek teknologi baharu dalam industri material canggih.

Industri material canggih merujuk kepada pembuatan dan penghasilan bateri, bahan magnetik,

susunan plat silikon (sistem fotovoltaik) dan lain-lain.

Sementara itu, Ah Tong berkata, MIDA sebagai agensi pusat promosi pelaburan sentiasa berusaha mengembangkan jaringan R&D di antara industri dengan institut penyelidikan dalam menjana pelaburan berkualiti serta teknologi terkini.

Menurut beliau, MIDA mempunyai program insentif menarik untuk pelabur terutamanya dalam kalangan syarikat multinasional (MNC) yang berminat menubuhkan pejabat R&D sendiri.

"Sehingga kini, kami telah meluluskan sebanyak 150 syarikat R&D terdiri daripada 68 kontrak R&D, 44 R&D bagi MIDA dan 26 syarikat R&D dengan nilai pelaburan sebanyak RM2.21 bilion," jelasnya.



