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Big Data Analytics launched at Mimos

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The launching ceremony was officiated by Science, Technology and Innovation Minister **Datuk Dr Ewon Ebin** at the Mimos campus here yesterday. The BDA-DGL is an initiative resulting from a tripartite memorandum of understanding between Mimos, the Modernisation and Management Planning Unit (Mampu) and the Multimedia Development Corporation (MDeC) signed in January 2015.

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He also said that the Ministry hoped to attract, groom and retain data scientists through the facilities available at Mimos.

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KUALA LUMPUR, April 23 (Bernama) -- The government expects big data analytics (BDA) related activities in Malaysia to reach more than RM1 billion by 2020 in line with the expansion of science, technology and innovation in the country.

Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Dr Ewon Ebin said the implementation of BDA in the country would be mobilised under the newly-launched BDA Digital Government Lab.

"With the establishment of this lab, we want to accelerate the implementation of BDA in the public sector towards ensuring efficient service delivery, knowledge generation, wealth creation and societal well-being for national economic growth," he said in his speech at the launch of the BDA Digital Government Lab here today.

Also present was MIMOS Bhd chief executive officer Datuk Abdul Wahab Abdullah, Multimedia Development Corp (MDeC) chief executive officer Datuk Yasmin Mahmood and Malaysian Administrative Modernisation and Management Planning Unit (MAMPU) Deputy Director General (ICT), Dr Suhazimah Dzazali.

Ewon said BDA is crucial for organisations in creating value, enhance efficiency, productivity growth and innovation, in line with tremendous increase of data generation due to digitisation.

He added that MIMOS is expected to continuously develop local BDA talent to meet the demand in the country's national transformation programmes.

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Meanwhile, Abdul Wahab said the laboratory, which will host government data, is the platform for the "cross-fertilisation" of data across different agencies and possible integration with social media data, mainly from the public.

He noted that the key towards the successful work on BDA was data scientists.

Currently, MIMOS has 10 mathematicians and 30 to 40 technology architects working with the organisation, said Abdul Wahab.

"As for domain experts, we work with the entity that requires us. We put data scientists from three different disciplines to ensure optimum results on what we are going to do," he added.

He added that a cohesive gameplan was needed between MIMOS, MDeC and MAMPU to start the training programmes for data scientists.

"We will be coming up with a plan, whereby, we will bring in industries and set up a curriculum to accelerate the BDA data," said Abdul Wahab.

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BIG DATA DIGITAL GOVERNMENT LAB LAUNCHED AT MIMOS

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"The BDA technology platform developed in MIMOS will facilitate various ministries and agencies to have a greater level of analytics of the collected data, in strict adherence to the Government's data security, integrity and sovereignty guidelines," he said.

At the launching ceremony, four government agencies participating in pilot BDA initiatives were recognised. They were the Ministry of Finance, the Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (JAKIM), National Hydraulic Research Institute of Malaysia (NAHRIM) and the Department of Irrigation and Drainage (JPS).

Meanwhile Director-General of MAMPU Dato' Seri Zainal Rahim Seman said that the laboratory would provide a test bed for facilitating the Government in understanding the processes for the smooth implementation of BDA, and assist MAMPU in evaluating the impact that the technology could create on society.

Multimedia Development Corporation (MDeC) Chief Executive Officer Dato' Yasmin Mahmood said that "The National BDA Innovation Network is key in forging public-private sector partnerships towards driving adoption of BDA, cultivating innovation and building a BDA ecosystem that will impact all sectors of the economy".



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