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## **MOSTI to push adoption, development of innovative technology**

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** The Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry (MOSTI) is working closely with several entities to provide the necessary support to push the adoption and development of innovative technology forward.

MOSTI Minister Datuk Seri Dr Adham Baba said the Malaysian Global Innovation and Creativity Centre (MaGIC) and Malaysian Technology Development Corporation (MTDC) have been working closely with the Iskandar Investment Bhd (IIB) to realise this aspiration.

He said the proper ecosystem and right professional scene are crucial as the support system to catalyze technological industries growth in Malaysia.

"It is a globally known fact that the Covid-19 pandemic had disrupted our lives, work, education and economy. However, the pandemic had also accelerated the urgency for an agile, adaptable and transformative technology to further support the digital economy.

"In this, Mosti believes that the country's ability in harnessing new technologies would be the key role to ensure our recovery from the pandemic, and resilience towards future crisis," he said in his keynote speech at the virtual 2021 Iskandar Global Innovation and Technology Exchange Conference (IGNITE), today.

Mosti, he said, is committed to collaborating with industry players and government agencies to continuously support the initiative to upskill and reskill workforces to keep up with digital transformation progress.

He said the government had also rolled out various frameworks, roadmaps and initiatives in supporting this aspiration.

"The term 'Ignite' today is used to illustrate how this conference is designed to ignite new, exciting ideas towards innovation and technologies.

"These two elements are the key driver of Malaysia's inclusive and sustainable growth.

"We applaud IIB for taking up the challenge and designed programmes to push forward digital innovation and next-generation technologies, to ensure that there will be an increase in economic activities and talent development in Iskandar Putri, Johor."

Dr Adham also introduced the Iskandar Corporate Accelerator Programme (CAP), designed to bring together corporations with drones and robotics expertise into the market.

"The programme, which is a collaboration product between IIB and Finnex Capital, aims to develop Johor's first-ever corporate accelerator programme.

"It would together form the perfect synergy for commercialisation of products.

"MOSTI believes that Iskandar CAP would help the nation rebuild the economy, and our recovery plans must focus on creating jobs, investing in infrastructure, and driving innovation with sustainability as the main focus," he said.

MOSTI, he said, believes that the IGNITE 2021 conference could promote the development and adoption of innovative technology such as drones, robotic and blockchain technology.

IGNITE 2021 is a series of virtual events and sessions for future-oriented, technology-driven and innovative minds to come together in sharing knowledge and ideas.

The conference focuses on how innovation and emerging technologies will impact lives and prepare for the future as digital transformation adoption sets in.