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MRANTI Engages Industry Leaders to Co-Create Malaysia's Mission-Oriented Innovation District

Industry engagement session highlights opportunities to collaborate in the park's next phase of development.

Kuala Lumpur, 12 March 2026 – The Malaysian Research Accelerator for Technology and Innovation (MRANTI) today brought together more than 400 **industry leaders, investors, developers and ecosystem partners** at MRANTI Park, Bukit Jalil for an industry engagement session titled *"Building What's Next: #WinningTogether."*

The session focused on how Malaysia can accelerate innovation and commercialisation by bringing together industry, researchers and investors to tackle **national challenges through Mission Driven Initiatives (MDI)**.

Aligned with the priorities of **Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 (RMK13)**, MRANTI is advancing a mission-driven approach that connects research, technology development and industry deployment to address real-world challenges such as **healthcare, sustainable cities, future mobility, food security and climate resilience**.

MRANTI Park plays a central role in this effort as a **living platform for innovation**, where technologies can be developed, tested and scaled in collaboration with industry partners.

Spanning **686 acres in Bukit Jalil**, MRANTI Park is one of Southeast Asia's largest integrated innovation hubs, bringing together research institutions, technology companies, startups and investors within a single ecosystem. The park already hosts more than **150 technology companies and institutions and a growing community of over 30,000 knowledge workers, supported by facilities such as drone testing zones, autonomous vehicle lanes and a 5G-enabled technology hub**.

These capabilities allow new technologies to move beyond the laboratory stage and be tested in real-world environments, helping bridge the gap between research and commercial adoption often referred to as the “**Valley of Death.**”

“Malaysia has strong research capabilities and growing innovation talent. What we need now are platforms where research, industry and capital can come together to solve real problems and create economic value,” said **MRANTI Chief Executive Officer, Ashran Dato’ Ghazi.**

“MRANTI Park is designed to be that platform, a place where technologies are developed, tested and scaled together with industry partners.”

Advancing Mission-Driven Innovation

Through **Mission Driven Initiatives**, MRANTI is working with ecosystem partners to develop solutions that address key national priorities.

Early initiatives already underway at MRANTI Park include:

- **Integrated Healthcare Cluster (IHC)** to advance health and medical technologies
- **Drone Living Lab (AREA 57)** supporting autonomous aerial technologies
- **Autonomous Vehicle Experience Lab (AVXL)** enabling testing of future mobility solutions

These initiatives demonstrate how innovation can move from research into real-world applications when industry, academia and government collaborate within the same environment.

Evolving MRANTI Park into an Innovation District

As these initiatives expand, MRANTI aims to evolve MRANTI Park beyond a traditional technology park into a **mission-driven Innovation District** – where companies, researchers, investors and startups work in close proximity to accelerate the development and commercialisation of new technologies.

The concept follows successful global innovation districts where mixed-use environments combine research, business, talent and investment to create vibrant innovation ecosystems.

Opportunities for Industry Participation

During the engagement session, MRANTI also shared upcoming opportunities for industry collaboration through a **Request for Proposal (RFP) programme** that will unlock the next phase of MRANTI Park's development.

The RFP will invite participation from:

- **Property developers**
- **Technology companies**
- **Ecosystem and venture builders**
- **Investors and venture capital partners**

Opportunities will include innovation campuses, applied research facilities, AI and digital technology clusters, as well as pilot zones and innovation commons that support technology testing and collaboration.

Call for Partners

MRANTI welcomes partners who share a long-term vision for building a vibrant innovation ecosystem in Malaysia.

Interested organisations are encouraged to participate in the upcoming **RFP** exercise, attend briefings and site engagements, and explore opportunities to collaborate in the next phase of MRANTI Park's development.

As MRANTI Park evolves into a mission-driven Innovation District, development opportunities will support a mix of technology, research and commercial activities. Supporting developments may include retail, hospitality, residential and wellness facilities that complement the park's innovation ecosystem while preserving its primary mission.

The specific development focus and corresponding asset classes will be open for proposals, enabling industry partners to contribute ideas that align with MRANTI's **Innovation District vision and Mission Driven Initiatives (MDI)** – where national challenges are addressed through collaboration across research, industry and capital.

MRANTI will continue engaging industry leaders, investors and ecosystem partners as it advances the next phase of development for MRANTI Park, strengthening collaboration across technology, industry and capital communities while reinforcing Malaysia's position as a regional hub for innovation and technology commercialisation.

For more information and to register interest, visit: <https://bit.ly/buildingwhatsnext>

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ABOUT MRANTI

The Malaysian Research Accelerator for Technology and Innovation (MRANTI), a convergence of Technology Park Malaysia (TPM) Corporation Sdn Bhd and the Malaysian Global Innovation and Creativity Centre (MaGIC), is Malaysia's central research commercialisation agency that fast-tracks the development of technology innovations from ideas to impact.

MRANTI serves as a connector, incubator and catalyst to enable early-stage ideation to mature entities to commercialise and scale. MRANTI offers innovators and industry access to world-class integrated infrastructure, interventions & programmes, partnership and a suite of resources. In doing so, MRANTI aims to expand Malaysia's funnel of innovation supply, and unlock new R&D value by ensuring effective transitions in the commercialisation lifecycle.

It will also link academia with industry and the public sector to streamline market-driven R&D efforts for mission-based outcomes.

MRANTI is headquartered at MRANTI Park, an extensive 686 acre 4IR innovation hub in Kuala Lumpur, is supporting the growth of smart manufacturing, biotech, agritech, smart city, green tech and enabling technology clusters.

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