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Politeknik Ungku Omar First Polytechnic to Adopt TOEIC Test in Malaysia

PUO hopes to enhance employability of its graduates with TOEIC tests

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (4 June 2015) — Politeknik Ungku Omar today signed a Note of Understanding with Eshia & Associates Sdn Bhd as the first polytechnic in the country to adopt the TOEIC Listening & Reading Tests for its students. The signing also marks the entrance of PUO as a training center and test location for the TOEIC and TOEFL family of test products in Ipoh.



Mej (k) Dato' Hj. Md Nor Bin Yusof, Director of Politeknik Ungku Omar said at the signing ceremony, "I am proud to announce that PUO is the first polytechnic in Malaysia to be appointed as a Training and Test location for the Test of English for International Communication or TOEIC. We believe that TOEIC will enhance our students' graduate employability rate by affording them with a market-recognized certification of English language proficiency. I hope that by taking the lead in TOEIC, PUO will be able to share its

experience with not only other polytechnics in Malaysia, but also with TVET institutions in Indonesia and Thailand.”

According to Mr Ezani Amir, Managing Director of Eshia & Associates, the country representative of ETS in Malaysia, “We are proud to assist PUO to be the leading provider of innovative human capital through transformational education and training with the TOEIC Tests. The skills-based graduates from PUO will now have an additional internationally recognized English language proficiency certificate and this will hopefully allow them access to better employers upon graduation.”

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About Eshia & Associates [www.testcenter.my]

Eshia & Associates consults, markets and delivers premier products and services in Malaysia. Eshia & Associates has been appointed to promote, market and administer the TOEIC and TOEFL tests for the Malaysian market.

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