

Press Release

PERNEC spearheads tech lab initiative at MCMC HQ

In recognition of Perneec Corporation Bhd's status as one of the significant telco and ICT players in the country, the Malaysian Multimedia and Communications Commission (MCMC) has appointed the group as a core exhibitor at the new Technology Laboratory (Tech Lab) gallery at its Cyberjaya Headquarters.

The lab was officiated and launched by MCMC Chairman Tan Sri Khalid Ramli on 30th May 2010. Also present at the event were Perneec Chairman Datuk Zainun Aishah Ahmad, Managing Director Encik Abdul Karim Abdul Sallam, Perneec Telco CEO Encik Dzulkifli Muhammad and Perneec PayPoint CEO Encik Tengku Asmaluddin Tengku Arshad, together with senior officials from the partners involved in the creation of the Tech Lab.

Besides Perneec, MCMC also collaborated with Malaysian Technical Standard Forum Bhd (MTSFB), Mimos Bhd, Nadi-Ayu Technologies Sdn Bhd and Packet One Networks Sdn Bhd.

The Tech Lab concept was inspired by Tan Sri Khalid and serves as a platform to showcase and provide "idealistic tracking" of new communications devices that offer fresh and practical applications.

The Lab Exhibition showcases the latest ICT technologies including Perneec's eRas 1.8 (for outdoor unit) wireless connectivity system, our own rebranded WiWi technology platform acquired from Mimos. eRas was officially unveiled by Information, Communications and Culture Minister Datuk Seri Rais Yatim at the launch of AmaxCity in February this year.

eRas is the world's first hybrid WiFi and WiMAX solution which operates on 2.3 GHz frequency designed as an alternative for last mile broadband connectivity to accelerate Malaysia's broadband ecosystem and is fully ready for nationwide commercialisation.

The eRas WiFi boxes are manufactured at Perneec's manufacturing facilities in Tikam Batu, Sungai Petani, Kedah, undertaken by Perneec Advanced Network Sdn Bhd.

The Tech Lab is also backed by an IPv6 transport layer utilizing the iDOLA ultra-portable computer (iDOLA netbook) equipped with Integrated Service Delivery Platform (ISDP), a JAVA Version 6 platform software application for loading Government's applications, while Packet-One Network provides direct WiMAX to WiFi connectivity via the DV230 Modem sample unit.

The showcase is in-line with the National Broadband Initiatives (NBI) of the Government to facilitate development of the ICT industry with the aim of enabling a knowledge-based culture through broadband connectivity.

MCMC said the establishment of the Tech Lab signifies the increasingly important role of Malaysian companies in R&D and innovation and is in line with the efforts to transform Malaysia into a high value, high income economy.

The Tech Lab's objective is to provide a platform for the public and the industry to experience interactive ICT and multimedia applications which will showcase live demonstrations and video montages, technology equipment and technology information.

The opening of the Lab is also a testimony of Malaysia's attractiveness as an R&D location. MCMC noted that the country is perceived as having good quality technology and research talent, as well as a comprehensive industry ecosystem with world-class technology capabilities, all of which makes the country an ideal location for innovation and knowledge-intensive industries.

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