

Boost 3 + 1

INTI College's 3+1 engineering programme with the University of Adelaide (UoA) has been given provisional accreditation by the Institution of Engineers Australia (IEA).

Academic director for off-shore projects (Southeast Asia) Michael Yeo said that IEA had reviewed the entire programme and has found all aspects of it satisfactory.

Yeo said this meant that Inti students were regarded as well-qualified to practice as professional engineers in any part of the world.

He explained that provisional accreditation is a normal procedure before the first batch of students have graduated.

"Full accreditation is usually confirmed after the first sizeable group of graduates has emerged."

This recognition is a breakthrough for a Malaysian institution and a milestone for Inti College, added Yeo.

"It speaks volumes of the stringent measures taken by Inti to ensure that its programmes are of high quality."

The University of Adelaide has been in collaboration with Inti since 1999 through the

for Inti College's engineering course

signing of a Memorandum of Agreement. The 126-year old institution is considered one of Australia's top research universities.

Meanwhile, the strategic link between Inti and the University of Tasmania was further enhanced with a renewal for the agreement for Engineering programmes on a 2+2 basis.

Signing on behalf of Inti was Senior vice-president Dr Lee Fah Onn while Prof Rudi Lidl, deputy vice-chancellor signed for the university.

Prof Lidl said that the signing was in line with the university's efforts at internationalisation.

"Our strategic plan makes reference to exchange agreements, study abroad arrangements, advance standing and credit transfer arrangements and off-shore activities," he added.

Prof Lidl also observed that the number of Inti College students at the University of Tasmania has been continually increasing, adding "We hope that through the alumni branch the relationship of the graduates from both institutions will continue to grow."



SHAKE ON IT ... Dr Lee (left) and Prof Rudi Lidl at the signing of an agreement between Inti College and the University of Tasmania