

Inti to spend RM5mil on smart card system for all colleges

INTI Universal Holdings Bhd will invest RM5mil to introduce a smart card system at all its Inti colleges nationwide and abroad.

Its managing director Tan Yew Sing said the smart card would replace the manually recorded recurring daily functions involving the colleges' staff and students and at the same time, enhance their capacity to offer more services to students.

Tan told reporters in Subang Jaya yesterday after the signing of a memorandum of agreement (MoA)

between Inti Universal and ForseLab BNS (M) Sdn Bhd to develop and deploy the Inti smart card system that the RM5mil was part of the RM20mil the company had allocated to develop its e-Campus system for all its campuses locally and abroad.

He said the e-Campus concept focused on delivering a college environment that emphasised on learning, working and communicating through the use of online software applications.

Tan said the company aimed to

have the e-Campus system in place by 2005.

"With the signing of the MoA, three key web initiatives within the e-Campus project: namely the e-Learning, Total College Management System and Inti smart card system, are now largely in place," he said.

Tan said the Inti smart card was a modern contact-less card boasting a memory capacity of 16k to accommodate multiple applications.

It comes with enhanced security features and doubles up as an identification card for staff and students.

He said the first-phase implementation of the smart card, to begin this month, would see the setting up of a smart card control management system to manage functionalities of all the smart card applications, which would enable college-wide applica-

tions in students' attendance of lectures, tutorials, laboratory, seminars and outdoor activities to be carried out effectively with fixed and mobile readers.

Another smart card application to be implemented in the first phase is the integration of the card into the Inti smart library system that will allow authentication of users and track circulation details and status of the users. This will enable a flexible inter-operability of all Inti campus libraries, making the combined learning resources of all campuses available to the staff and students.

Tan said the second phase to begin in April would see more applications such as booking and monitoring of entry access and usage of car park, rooms, laboratories, as well as academic, and recreational activities.

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