

# Inti, TM Net sign broadband services deal

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INTI Universal Holdings Bhd and TM Net Sdn Bhd have signed a deal to give high-speed Internet access to students and staff of Inti's group of colleges from next month.

TM Net will provide information technology infrastructure to support Inti's e-Campus initiatives.

Other services provided include unified communication services and campus short messaging system (SMS) for students to use in campus and delivery of examination results and lecturers' schedules to students.

"To ensure that students enjoy better Internet surfing experience, our data centre facilities will be hosting Inti's e-Learning platform, riding on the high-bandwidth of 155 megabytes per second," TM Net's chairman Datuk Dr Md Khir Abdul Rahman said after a signing ceremony in Petaling Jaya yesterday.

Minister of Energy, Communications and Multimedia, Datuk Amar Leo Moggie said the partnership signed yesterday showed both parties' commitment to make information and communication technology an important agenda in their businesses. "It is heartening to see an institution of higher learning leveraging on broadband infrastructure in providing services to its staff and students," he said, adding that as of January this year, there were 2.64 million Internet users in the country.

Md Khir, who is also Telekom Malaysia Bhd's chief executive officer, said the industry giant will decide on its investment and expenditure for the roll-out of its third generation (3G) services next year. "Trial sessions (for 3G) will be done this year," he said.

Md Khir added that Telekom will continue to study the impact of 3G services implementation from other countries.



**SEALING THE DEAL ...** Md Khir (left) exchanges documents with Inti chairman Tan Sri Dr Abdul Majid Ismail at the signing ceremony. Looking on is Leo Moggie. — Bernamapic