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KUALA LUMPUR: The Technology Innovation Support Centre (TISC) is poised to make Malaysia an intellectual and innovation property rights solution hub in the ASEAN region.

Domestic Trade, Cooperatives and Consumerism Minister Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainuddin said the establishment of TISC under the ASEAN 2011-2015 Intellectual Property Rights Action Plan would witness more cross-border business networks within ASEAN, as well as more sharing of information led by Malaysia.

"Malaysia will be the champion country for TISC project among ASEAN countries with the establishment of TISC project this year," he told reporters here yesterday.

He said TISC could develop intellectual property expertise and industry players, as well as benefit the community in the country and ASEAN.

Hamzah earlier witnessed the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on participation in the development of TISC property between Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia with seven local universities and the Forestry Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM).

The universities are Universiti Malaya represented by vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Mohd Amin Jalaludin; Universiti Pertahanan Nasional Malaysia represented by deputy vice-chancellor (study and innovation) Col Prof Dr Norazman Mohamad Nor; Universiti Sains Malaysia by innovation and commercialisation office director Prof Dr Rahmat Awang.