Call for conducive environment to boost green technology

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MELAKA: Minister of Energy, Green Technology and Water Datuk Seri Peter Chin Fah Kui has called for a conducive environment for intensifying green technology research, development and innovations.

He said this could be achieved by enhancing smart partnership between government, industries and research institutions as well as transfer of knowledge and technology from developed nations.

"There should be more collaborations and partnerships with foreign industries in which Malaysia can be a test bed for the implementation of new technologies.

"These partnership should include capacity building and hand holding for local industries and entrepreneurs," he said at the launching of the 3rd International Conference of Engineering and ICT (ICEI 2012) organised by Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM), here, Wednesday night.

The ministry, he said, was collaborating with agencies like the Standard and Industrial Research Institute of Malaysia (Sirim) and the Department of Standard Malaysia to develop standards, and certification and labelling mechanisms.

"Low carbon development is vital towards achieving green growth, and low carbon economy and businesses must take positive steps towards greening their business processes using sustainable consumption and production," he said.

Chin said the ministry was also working closely with the Finance Ministry in formulating the Government Procurement Policy to encourage green procurement to be implemented in government agencies.

The government hoped that green products and services would be the preferred choice in the procurement of products and services in the near future, he said.

More than 100 local and international researchers are attending the two-day ICEI to share ideas, findings and research outcomes in the various aspects of engineering, and information and communication technology. — Bernama