LLM and USM team up on highway research

The Malaysian Highway Authority (LLM) has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) to conduct research in the transportation sector through the sharing of resources.

The MoU will see both parties working together by putting their expertise and resources to good use, including by sharing technical expertise in the field of management and development of highways.

USM vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Omar Osman said this collaboration included the planning, design, construction as well as the operations and maintenance of the road highways.

He said this before the MoU signing between him on behalf of USM and LLM director-general Datuk Ismail Md Salleh at the chancellor's building in USM recently. Dr Omar said USM had established a reputation in the field of automotive and highway engineering.

This meant that it had gained the trust of the Government and key players in the industry to conduct contractual research, discussions, training, capacity development and consultancy works.

Ismail expressed hope that this MoU would bring about a mutual cooperation between the government agencies and institutions of higher learning in areas such as planning, construction and management of highways.

The MoU signing was witnessed by LLM deputy director-general (business) Rahim Goon and USM's School of Civil Engineering Dean Professor Hamidi Abdul Aziz.