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Ling (second from left) and Prof Kamal Nasharuddin (second from right) exchange documents at the signing ceremony.

UNIVERSITI Tenaga Nasional (Uniten) and Shenzhen Micromulticopter Aero Technology Co. Ltd. (MMC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

Uniten, a wholly owned subsidiary of Tenaga Nasional Berhad, was represented by its vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Kamal Nasharuddin Mustapha while MMC, a world class industrial drone manufacturer, was represented by vice president Ling Lu.

The signing ceremony was witnessed by Assoc Prof Dr Marini Othman, who is the university's Institute of Informatics and Computing in Energy (IICE) director and Alan T. Chua, the marketing development director of Kembara Impian Technologies Sdn Bhd, a representative of MMC in Malaysia.

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The MoU will further strengthen the collaboration between Uniten and MMC China, especially in issues of common interest, as well as to further develop partnerships in the advancement of intelligent localised solutions in processing data from the drone payloads.

The initiative, led by the intelligent network research group from the university's IICE is part of its initiatives to become the leading university that focuses on drone related intelligent system and a globally competitive, energy- focused university by the year 2025.

"This memorandum is a valid continuation of the relationship that we established several months ago. It is an important step forward because we now have a structured framework to further promote our interaction and achieve our common goals through joint projects and activities." said Prof Kamal Nasharuddin.

Other than sharing expertise, both organisations will work together on the promotion and organisation of workshops, conferences and training seminars, the development of drone laboratories, and the dissemination of activities as well as drone demonstrations.

It is anticipated that cooperation will focus on several areas including TNB power line inspections, stringing capabilities, flying practices, drone assemblies and academic drone training.

"We are delighted to sign this memorandum which will enable MMC and Uniten to deepen their cooperation on issues of nurturing continuous skills and talent in cutting edge technology, to improve on the localised solution and research development with marketable products," said Ling.

He said that the three core elements, which are feature, value and talents will always be the core values that will determine the success of this collaboration.

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