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# DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER LAUNCHES 'JOB MATCHING PTPTN' TO BENEFIT JOB SEEKERS AND INDUSTRY EMPLOYERS

#### PRESTARIANG AND PTPTN JOIN HANDS TO 'PLACE AND TRAIN' TALENTS

CYBERJAYA, 8 March 2018 - Deputy Prime Minister, YAB Dato' Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi today launched the JOB MATCHING PTPTN ("Job Matching") at a ceremony to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Perbadanan Tabung Pendidikan Tinggi Nasional ("PTPTN"). The event was jointly witnessed by the Minister of Higher Education, Dato' Seri Idris Jusoh, Secretary General of Ministry of Higher Education, Tan Sri Dr. Noorul Ainur Mohd. Nur, Chairman of PTPTN, Dato' Dr Shamsul Anuar Hj Nasarah, Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of PTPTN, Wan Ahmad bin Wan Yusoff, Chairman of Prestariang, Dato' Mohamed Yunus Ramli Abbas and Group CEO of Prestariang, Dr Abu Hasan Ismail.

Job Matching is a collaborative initiative between PTPTN and Prestariang Berhad ("Prestariang") to directly benefit PTPTN borrowers seeking jobs or greater opportunities to elevate their employment value. Under this strategically drawn initiative, Phase 1 of the collaboration will begin with Job Matching as the pilot programme targeted at up-skilling and re-skilling of current PTPTN borrowers. This programme will launch the PTPTN borrowers to the job markets through a 'Place & Train' model. The 'Place & Train' model will include job matching to industry requirements through talent profiling and a series of soft skills and communications training.

PTPTN borrowers can apply to be part of the **Job Matching** programme through **www.jobmatchingptptn.my** from today onwards.

"Job Matching is the first of its kind where our existing borrowers will first be provided with a job that matches to industry requirements through a stringent talent profiling and thereafter training to enhance their potentials and employability. This will provide immediate job opportunities to seekers and vice versa, provide immediate suited talents to the employment market. This will set to increase employment rate and boost the country's economy," said Chairman of PTPTN, Dato' Dr Shamsul Anuar Hj Nasarah.





"We are pleased that this is our first project with PTPTN and they have trusted us to lead this initiative. Prestariang will host Job Matching under our end to end student digital engagement platform, Educloud", said the President and Group Chief Executive Officer of Prestariang, Dr. Abu Hasan Ismail.

EduCloud is a Single Services-Based Digital Plaftorm to support Learning, Engagement and Innovation in Education in Malaysia & ASEAN. EduCloud is Prestariang's latest offering via cloud introduced under the Group's successful transformation into a pioneering Technology & Talent player.

Industry partners supporting the *Job Matching* programme through their industry courses and talent opportunities include Prestariang's global IT partners such as Amazon Web Services, Alibaba Cloud, CXS Analytics, Encap, Mastercard, Microsoft, OpenLearning, Skillsoft, UNIMY and many others.

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### **About Prestariang Group (www.prestariang.com.my)**

Prestariang is a **Technology and Talent pioneer** that has evolved from being Malaysia's largest ICT software and training service provider to a leading Technology and Talent Platform **innovator**. Through its Transformation Plan, Prestariang has successfully launched its border security **Technology Platform** for the Malaysian Government with SKIN and via its **Talent Platform** to integrate Education, Training and Employment Services into one single platform with EduCloud.

Today, Prestariang works with global partners such as Thales, Alibaba Cloud, Microsoft, Amazon Web Services, Autodesk, IBM, Oracle, KPMG, University of Melbourne and many others to drive innovation in the Digital Economy. Prestariang is also the largest Microsoft licensing partner in Malaysia. Through its Technology and Talent Platforms, Prestariang will deliver its innovation through five (5) core deliveries namely, cyber and information security, analytics and Business Intelligence, cloud services, change management and e-commerce. Prestariang Group remains committed to drive the technology industry in Malaysia beyond and towards the new digital economy era.





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