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USM-UNIVERSITY OF LORRAINE FRANCE STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

USM, PENANG, 14 June 2016 - Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) continues to soar on the international stage with a strategic partnership involving University of Lorraine (UoL) France, with the visit today by its Vice-President for Partnerships and International Affairs, Professor Karl Tombre; Head of Strategic International Partnerships, Professor Jean-Louis Morel and Head of the International Office, Ms. Nathalie Fick.

According to USM Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International Affairs), Professor Dato' Dr. Ahmad Shukri Mustapa Kamal who chaired a discussion session between USM head of departments and UoL delegates, USM always look forward and welcome any higher learning institution to strengthen its collaboration and networking exercise internationally.

Meanwhile, Tombre said that, Lorraine University is looking at establishing international partnerships, with a specific and strategic focus in order to fulfill its mission of having global networking partners.

"Collaboration with USM, ever since it was established 17 years ago, was a great one for both institutions and now is a good starting point to build something stronger for the future," he said.

USM has a longstanding collaboration with Lorraine University, mainly in the field of chemistry and also in chemical engineering and this collaboration has indeed been very fruitful and productive.

The main objective of UoL's visit this time was to expand into other possible areas such as Engineering, Science & Technology; Medical, Dental and Health Sciences; and Humanities and Social Sciences.

Those present at the discussion were the USM Director of International Collaborations Office, Professor Dr. Lee Keat Teong and Deans and Professors from almost 15 academic schools within the USM Main campus and from the Engineering campus.

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