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BANGI, 25 January 2017 – Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) Pro-Chancellor, Tun Ahmad Sarji Abdul Halim recently launched the Malaysia: Window-to-Cambridge (MW2C@UKM) – an initiative to intensify UKM's relationship with the University of Cambridge especially on Disaster Risk Reduction efforts pertaining to atmospheric science and climate change.

"The central purpose of the MW2C@UKM is capacity-building in Malaysia and the region, in skills related to atmospheric science and climate change, which prevent or mitigate future disaster," said UKM Pro Chancellor Tun Ahmad Sarji at the MW2C@UKM launching ceremony.

In his speech, he noted that the MW2C@UKM is an important milestone in a productive relationship between the University of Cambridge and UKM.

"The cooperation between UKM's Southeast Asia Disaster Prevention Research Institute (SEADPRI-UKM) and Cambridge will see researchers, practitioners and policy-maker from the natural disaster and climate change communities, reviewing the role of science and technology for managing the risk of disaster and climate change, especially for vulnerable communities," he explained.

Tun Ahmad Sarji who is an Executive Chairman and Trustee of the Cambridge Malaysia Education and Development Trust (CMEDT), in association with the Malaysian Commonwealth Studies Centre (MCSC) said the CMEDT/MCSC sees the MW2C@UKM as

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