UPM opts for Fujitsu

UNIVERSITI Putra Malaysia (UPM) has opted for the Fujitsu Primequest open service technology as part of its core IT transformation investment. This makes the university the first Primequest user in the country.

According to UPM director of InfoComm Development Centre (iDEC) Khairulmizam Samsudin, the university has embarked on several IT system upgrade projects to boost its operational efficiency as well as to fulfil the standard accounting compliance initiated by the local government.

"UPM is revamping its IT support systems to facilitate more researches for national developments while reducing the operational costs at the same time. The deployment of Fujitsu's Primequest servers has integrated our systems across departments into the central business operation environment, and also will reduce our annual recurring software expenses by up to 50%," he said.

The university also adopted the Fujitsu Primergy servers to replace their existing legacy systems to support their growing human resources (HR) application workloads.

"Before rolling out the new Primergy servers, our HR payroll system took three hours to compute. Now it is 75% faster and completes in approximately 45 minutes," Khairulmizam said.

The Fujitsu servers were purchased in two phases and today are fully operational.

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