KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will set up an off-campus learning centre at the KLIA Professional and Management College in Kuala Lumpur.

The initiative will be spearheaded by the university’s investment arm UMS Investment Holdings Sdn Bhd (UMINVEST), who yesterday signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with KLIA Holdings Sdn Bhd for the setting up of the centre.

Its chairman, Datuk Ag Buhtamani Ag Mahmam said the facility would open up opportunities for students in Peninsular Malaysia to take UMS programmes without having to come to the main campus in Sabah.

"The agreement will help to further expand UMS programmes outside Sabah. This marks the beginning for PLUMS (Off Campus Centre, UMS) in spreading its wings to the peninsula," he said during the signing ceremony at UMS here, yesterday.

He said under the MoA, UMS would be collaborating with KLIA Holdings in promoting and offering Masters programmes in Business Administration, and Human Capital Management under the Faculty of Business, Economy and Accounting.

The collaborative venture covers a period of five years and can be extended upon agreement from both parties.

The College will provide infrastructure and facilities for learning and teaching process, examinations and evaluations for both programmes to be offered.

"It is hoped that PLUMS and KLIA College will ensure that the staff and students for the programmes follow the directives, rules and guidelines stipulated under the MoA.

"I also hope that the scope of the agreement can be expanded to include more relevant programmes or activities," he said.