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Since its debut in 1991, the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA) have provided the maritime and aerospace industry with a unique platform for networking and business opportunities, functioning as a gateway to Asia Pacific's dynamic markets.

Today, it is with great pride, that I announce LIMA will be returning next year for its 14th instalment from 21-25 March, 2017 in Langkawi.

With our new organisers, EN Projects Sdn Bhd, the upcoming LIMA'17 seeks to be the most impactful one yet, expecting 550 exhibitors from 38 countries and is looking to display at least 80 aircrafts and 68 warships and boats. With the growth of targeted exhibitors and displays, the upcoming LIMA also expects an increase in trade visitors and delegates to 40,000 and 380 respectively.

In response to industry developments, we have also extended the range of programmes for LIMA'17; including its business matching programmes and meetings and conference, to increase the participation of the commercial sector and help businesses and delegates to better achieve their objectives at the event.

Not forgetting the general public, LIMA'17 has incorporated engaging and fun activities such as LIMA Fest, LIMA Career Fair and LIMA Concert, each carefully crafted to not only involve the public, but also to encourage a higher participation amongst Malaysian youths.

For the past 25 years, the exhibition has been steadily increasing in numbers of exhibitors, delegates, trade visitors, and participating nations. I would like to thank the local and global participants, the general public, and the ministries involved, who has spared no effort in making sure LIMA remains the pinnacle of maritime and aerospace exhibition.

Lastly, I would like to thank each and every one of you for taking the time off your busy schedule, to join us today for the launch of the 14th Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA'17).