AMONG the country's largest and longest-running education road shows, the Facon Education Fair will kick off at KL Convention Centre on March 16. The fair will occupy five exhibition halls featuring some 500-odd booths.

The fair is set to cover another 11 cities in Peninsular & East Malaysia, providing school leavers and working adults alike the opportunity to meet with representatives from some 1,000 renowned institutions from Malaysia and overseas.

The venues are Holiday Villa Hotel, Alor Setar on March 19, Traders Hotel, Penang on March 20, Kinta Riverfront Hotel & Suites, Ipoh on March 21, Hotel Equatorial, Malacca on March 22, and Persada Convention Centre, Johor Bahru on March 23 and 24. Visiting hours are from noon to 6pm.

The East Malaysia venues are RH Hotel, Sibu on March 16, Riverside Majestic Hotel, Kuching on March 17, Grand Palace Hotel, Miri on March 18, Sandakan Hotel on March 22, Promenade Hotel, Kota Kinabalu on March 23, and MB Hotel, Tawau on March 24. Visiting hours are noon to 4pm.

Since its inception in 1990, the fair has been attended by millions of visitors.

Reputable institutions to be featured include Asia Pacific University (APU), Advance Tertiary College (ATC), Berjaya University College of Hospitality, Brickfields Asia College, HELP University, INTI International University & Colleges, KDU University College, Mahsa University College, Nilai University, Quest International University Perak, SEGi University College, Taylor's University, The University Of Nottingham, The One Academy, and UCSI University.

Visitors can expect answers to all relevant enquiries covering scholarships and study loans, and there will be special talks by JobStreet.com and International Psychology Centre, among others.

Students are advised to bring along relevant documents in preparing to meet representatives from various institutions.