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Photovoltaic industry group launches solar roadshow

KUALA LUMPUR: The Malaysian Photovoltaic Industry Association (MPIA) has launched the MPIA Solar Roadshow 2024 in line with the government's targets of achieving 40% renewable energy capacity by 2040 and 70% by 2050.

MPIA president Davis Chong Chun Siong said the roadshow series themed "Liberalisation of the Grid"

began its Kuala Lumpur leg yesterday covering topics such as Grid Readiness Towards Enabling Energy Transition and Unveiling the Electric Vehicle Landscape: Pioneering the Future Sustainable Mobility.

The roadshow will go on until September and cover Johor, Penang, Pahang and Selangor, he said during the launch at KL Sentral yesterday.

"It will feature speakers from government bodies such as the Malaysian Green Technology and Climate Change Corporation as well as Tenaga Nasional Bhd," he said.

Yesterday's event was officiated by Energy Commission chairman Mohammed Rashdan Mohd Yusof.

Mohammed Rashdan said he would like to see a rise in solar energy

usage and eventually turn it into a primary energy source for the country.

"Solar energy production in Peninsular Malaysia at the moment is 1.6%, and I see that as a good opportunity to get it higher to 65% for the benefit of not only yourselves but for every Malaysian and the development of our data," he said in his speech.

The Kuala Lumpur leg saw a significant turnout of more than 350 participants, and the roadshow will continue its journey to four other locations which are Johor, Penang, Pahang and Selangor starting March 5 until this September.

MPIA actively promotes solar PV to support sustainable energy in Malaysia. – Bernama