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Train for a career in finance

PETALING JAYA: If you have wanted to build a career in the financial sector, you now have the chance to do so under the Financial Sector Talent Enrichment Programme's (FSTEP) pre-selected scheme.

Financial institutions are selecting candidates for the programme's fourth intake which begins July 6, FSTEP head Lee Khee Joo said.

"Financial institutions will soon send candidates for the interview process. If they pass the tests and interview, they will be accepted into the programme," he said.

The interview process includes an English proficiency test, Harrison Assessment test and a final verbal interview with a panel comprising FSTEP senior management and representatives of the financial services industry.

"There are 122 financial institutions in the country and if each of them has at least one candidate, we will have 120 participants to enrol for the fourth intake," Lee said.

The programme, managed by the Bankers Institute Malaysia (IBBM), enables financial institutions to be involved in the selection process.

"Under the previous scheme, participants were selected and recruited by FSTEP and their scholarship allowances sponsored by the Staff Training Fund managed by IBBM," Lee said.

With the revised scheme, he said, financial institutions will pre-select their own candidates, where the company will sponsor a monthly scholarship allowance of RM2,200 and provide on-the-job training for each of its candidates throughout the one-year programme.

Upon graduation, candidates will have the opportunity to join the respective financial institutions.

"The scheme is a win-win situation for all – the financial institutions and IBBM as well as the participants," IBBM CEO Dr Mohd Kamal Khir said.

Registration for the July intake is open to Malaysians below age 30 with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.25 and above in any discipline from institutions of higher learning locally and overseas.

E-mail your application with resume to: enquiry@fstep.org.my or fax: +603 2031 4766.