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# **BUSINESS & ECONOMIC NEWS**

### LOCAL

- SMEs and start-ups create greater demand for communal workspaces (Malaysia Reserve)
- Trem pertama Malaysia di Putrajaya (Berita Harian)
- PM bersetuju kembali kuasa kepada Sarawak mengekspoitasi minyak dan gas (Utusan)
- Malaysia is eyeing RM200 billion in approved investments in 2018 (NST)
- B10 biodiesel rollout requires political will'(The Edge)

### GLOBAL

- Nike training apps now offer mindfulness coaching from Headspace (The Star)
- You can now stay in an entrepreneur-only hotel and pay for it in bitcoin (CNBC)
- China Wants Tech Darlings Like Alibaba and Tencent to List at Home (Wall Street Journal)
- Facebook robots may one day follow you around at home (CNN)
- China's Economy to Overtake Euro Zone This Year (Bloomberg)
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### **SME Competitiveness Rating for Enhancement (SME Corporation) SCORE**

The concept of SME Competitiveness Rating for Enhancement (SCORE), a diagnostic tool used to rate and enhance competitiveness of SMEs based on their performance and capabilities, was first developed and introduced in 2007. The initial pilot was undertaken for companies in the manufacturing sector to gauge on the effectiveness of the grants companies received to improve their business performance. Since then, the SCORE process was accepted by various sub-sectors in Malaysia as it provides a gauge to measure the competitiveness and capabilities of companies at firm level. SCORE has also been used as a tool for business matching purposes for better market access as well as initial indicator for purposes of access to finance. (SME Corp)

(Source: SME Corp Official Website)