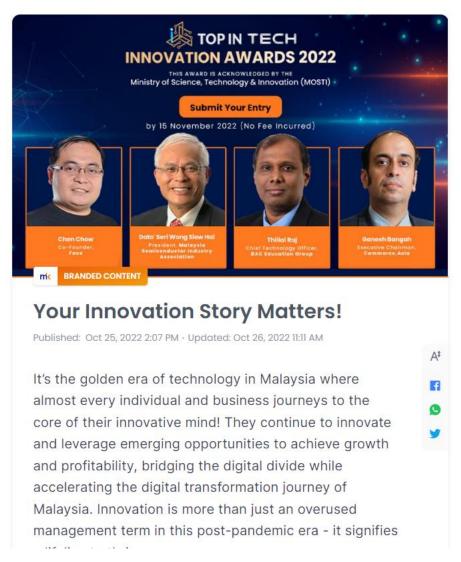
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It's the golden era of technology in Malaysia where almost every individual and business journeys to the core of their innovative mind! They continue to innovate and leverage emerging opportunities to achieve growth and profitability, bridging the digital divide while accelerating the digital transformation journey of Malaysia. Innovation is more than just an overused management term in this post-pandemic era - it signifies a lifeline to thrive.

"Last year we celebrated courageous innovators who stepped out of their comfort zones and came forward with their outstanding contributions through digital adoption and innovative mindsets," Premesh Chandran, Co-Founder of Malaysiakini said.

"As judges for the various categories, both I and Prem were mightily impressed and amazed at the way businesses, academia, government agencies, our youth and our entrepreneurs seized opportunity and leveraged on digital as a powerful weapon to

sharpen their capabilities and drive positive change," said Karamjit Singh, founder of Digital News Asia.

The inaugural awards in 2021 witnessed many groundbreaking innovative products and strategies across eight categories. Notable winners include Johnson Lam Hooi Liang for KakiRepair, NANOCAT, University of Malaya, Employees Provident Fund (EPF), Manulife Insurance, Pandai Education, Beligas, Team S.A.T for Enhance and more. The esteemed panel of judges has also awarded 12 Merit Recipients. These innovative solutions are able to shine in the midst of adversity and it's even more exciting to anticipate what we are capable of in the years to come!

Steve Jobs once quoted that innovation is the ability to see change as an opportunity, not a threat. What innovative stories await us for 2022?

This year, the Top In Tech Innovation Awards has received acknowledgement from the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) and ecosystem leaders such as MyDIGITAL, Malaysian Consortium of Mid-Tier Companies (MCMTC), Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC), Malaysian Research Accelerator for Technology & Innovation (MRANTI), PIKOM, SME Association Malaysia, Digital Penang, Selangor Information Technology & Digital Economy Corporation (SIDEC), Sarawak Digital Economy Corporation (SDEC), Sabah Creative Economy & Innovation Centre (SCENIC), and Internet Alliance. Axiata Group Berhad has come on board as the Supporting Partner, and the Media partners for this year include Sinar Daily, Marketing Magazine and KiniTV.

"We're excited for what awaits us this year as we welcome a more diverse group of tech players pursuing their innovation journey in this golden era of technology!", Karamjit Singh, CEO, of Digital News Asia said.

We are honoured to have some returning eminent corporate leaders from Malaysia as Lead Judges for this year's categories:

Innovator of the Year

Best Brick & Mortar Adoption: Raja Teh Maimunah, Managing Director Wholesale Banking, Ambank Group;

Most Value Creation: Dr Sivapalan Vivekarajah, Senior Partner & Co-Founder, ScaleUp Malaysia Accelerator;

Most Impactful Public Sector Agency Driving Digital Adoption: Dato' Seri Wong Siew Hai, President, Malaysia Semiconductor Industry Association;

Most Impactful Academia-Industry Collaboration: Thillai Raj, CTO, BAC Education Group;

Best Pivot: Yeoh Chen Chow, Co-founder, Fave

Most Promising: Ganesh Kumar Bangah, Executive Chairman, Commerce. Asia;

Young Innovator of the Year: Prof. Ir. Eur. Ing. Ts. Dr. Vinesh Thiruchelvam, Chief Innovation & Enterprise Officer, APU

Top In Tech Innovation Awards aims to be THE platform for tech players, public sectors, startups, corporates, academic institutions and students to bring forward their innovative ideas and be recognised for their exceptional contributions, efforts and talents in this golden age of innovation!

As a gateway to expanding their innovations to the next level, this year's winners will receive:

- 1. Top In Tech Innovation Awards 2022 Category Trophie
- 2. Winners' Ad Grants by Malaysiakini & Digital News Asia
- 3. Cash Prize for the Young Innovator of the Year
- 4. Access to programmes offered by MDEC:
- -Equidam Valuation Report
- -Green Lane for Funding Programs
- -Market Access Programme
- -Mentor+
- -MDEC Innovation Exchange (MIX)
- -MDEC 1-to-1 Office

Submit your entry by 15th November 2022! Head over to www.topintech.my/awards to discover more! There are no fees incurred for participation.

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About The Awards

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