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MINISTRY OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

CONVERGENCE OF GLOBAL MINDS: I-NATION 2024 EMBARKS ON A JOURNEY OF INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

World Experts and Innovators Unite in Kuala Lumpur to Forge Solutions for Humanity and the Planet

KUALA LUMPUR, 2nd December 2024 – The highly anticipated I-Nation Global Summit 2024 officially kicks off today until 4th of December, bringing together global and local innovators, thought leaders, subject matter experts, and policymakers to tackle critical challenges through collaborative innovation.

Organised by MRANTI, the three-day event themed "Advancing Impactful Innovation Together" is set to highlight cutting-edge developments across industries, fostering impactful partnerships to drive sustainable progress. The summit aims to:

- Facilitate discussions among global leaders in policies
- Propagate collaboration beyond borders in technology and innovation
- Accelerate innovation for the benefit of people and the planet

With a firm commitment to advancing Malaysia's role in the global tech landscape, I-Nation Global Summit 2024 leverages global and local partnerships to create pathways for Malaysian innovators to engage with international ecosystems. The Summit will showcase cutting-edge developments and foster discussions across six key industries critical to Malaysia's vision of sustainable and inclusive progress: **4IR Technologies, Autonomous Tech, 5G Connectivity, Life Sciences, HealthTech & AgriTech, and Sustainability.**

Deputy Prime Minister Dato' Sri Haji Fadillah Yusof: “This event is also a testament to Malaysia’s aspiration to elevate its influence within ASEAN and on the global stage, aligning our efforts with international frameworks such as the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the ASEAN agenda for 2025.” quoted as saying, while delivering his opening speech at the event, today.

Three Days of Innovation, Insight, and Impact: A Comprehensive Look at I-Nation Global Summit 2024

The summit begins today with Prof. Dr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram presenting the inaugural keynote speech “Addressing Food Agriculture, Malnutrition and Health Together: An 'All of Government' Proposal”, followed by the Force For Good roundtable discussion revolving around “From Lab to Land: Accelerating Technology and Innovation Adoption for a Resilient Malaysian Food Security”.

On day two, the focus will shift to the power of transformative technology across multiple sectors. Highlights include panel discussions on how our aviation industry is leveraging technology to stay competitive on a global scale, the role of AI in accelerating drug development within Life Sciences, and how 5G technology can drive sustainable solutions for Malaysia's national challenges.

Tan Sri Tony Fernandes will begin Day Two of the Summit with his keynote speech, From Airlines to Ecosystem, whilst subsequent engaging panel discussions on 4IR Technologies and Sustainability provide opportunities for interactivity with attendees, as well as, networking designed to catalyse collaboration across borders.

Simultaneously, a series of satellite events will take place, including the Ecosystem Builders’ Summit, the Supercharger Finale, the NTIS Global Sandbox Forum, and the MATCH Speed Dating session. These events will offer a valuable platform for tech seekers and solution providers to connect, share ideas, and collaborate on innovative solutions.

The summit will conclude on Day Three with highlights on AgriTech innovations and sustainable practices in Life Sciences. The day will also feature a showcase of emerging technologies, inspiring case studies, and the announcement of a key MOA between MRANTI and CyberSecurity Malaysia.

YB Chang Lih Kang, Minister of Science, Technology, and Innovation, highlighted: “Science, Technology and Innovation plays a crucial role in shaping a sustainable, inclusive future for all, and Malaysia is ready to lead the way as we prepare for our ASEAN Chairmanship in 2025. Platforms like the I-Nation Global Summit are essential, bringing

together innovators, policymakers and industry leaders to turn research into impactful advancements that benefit the entire region.”

Shaping a Vision for Global Impact

The I-Nation Global Summit 2024 aims to set the stage for transformative collaborations that extend beyond borders. By uniting global leaders, innovators, and policymakers, the event aspires to spark solutions that address pressing challenges for society and the planet. With a focus on sustainable progress and technological advancements, the summit hopes to inspire lasting impact, driving innovation that benefits both people and the environment.

I-Nation Global Summit 2024 presented to you by CelcomDigi, with the unwavering support of our esteemed partners - Astro Awani as our Official Broadcaster, as well as, Huawei, Tata Consultancy Services, and Tenaga Nasional Berhad as Partner Sponsors.

Together, MRANTI and the Summit Sponsors drive I-Nation Global Summit as the premier platform for collaboration and technological transformation.

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The Malaysian Research Accelerator for Technology and Innovation (MRANTI), a convergence of Technology Park Malaysia (TPM) Corporation Sdn Bhd and the Malaysian Global Innovation and Creativity Centre (MaGIC), is Malaysia's central research commercialisation agency that fast-tracks the development of technology innovations from ideas to impact.

MRANTI serves as a connector, incubator and catalyst to enable early-stage ideation to mature entities to commercialise and scale. MRANTI offers innovators and industry access to world-class integrated infrastructure, interventions & programmes, partnership and a suite of resources. In doing so, MRANTI aims to expand Malaysia's funnel of innovation supply, and unlock new R&D value by ensuring effective transitions in the commercialisation lifecycle. It will also link academia with industry and the public sector to streamline market-driven R&D efforts for mission-based outcomes.

MRANTI is headquartered at MRANTI Park, an extensive 686 acre 4IR innovation hub in Kuala Lumpur, is supporting the growth of smart manufacturing, biotech, agritech, smart city, green tech and enabling technology clusters.

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