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INNOVATION, TECHNOPREURSHIP & PRIVATE-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS KEY TO DRIVING MALAYSIA'S CYBER SECURITY INDUSTRY FORWARD

KUALA LUMPUR (26 SEPTEMBER 2019) – Malaysia's cyber security industry is poised for higher growth driven by the Government's continued push on technological innovation as well as transfer of knowledge through strategic alliances between government agencies, private industry and academic institutions. Innovation is the cornerstone of digital economic development which various parties are encouraged to pursue innovation, technology and creativity that enable cyber security industry to grow and becoming more competitive as well as capable of addressing future challenges.

As national cyber security specialist and technical centre, **CyberSecurity Malaysia** has been advocating private-public partnerships to strengthen Malaysia's technology sector particularly the cyber security industry. The viability and stability of the country's digital ecosystem is depending on its robust cyber security and defence capabilities. Thus, it is important to continually advance cutting-edge cyber defence technology and services that will not only help protect our cyber space, but also position Malaysia as a leading technology hub and exporter.

Held in conjunction with the CSM-ACE 2019, **Malaysia Cyber Security Awards 2019** were conferred to 16 recipients of the cyber security industry fraternity consists on individuals and companies. The recipients have been recognized of their



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innovation, commitment and industry leadership in the field of cyber security for the past year.

“As Malaysia transforms to a digital economy, we need to accelerate the way we use innovation to keep pace with those who look to disrupt essential services, block access to critical information and even damage our cyber ecosystem,” said General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi Mohamed (Retired), Chairman Board of Directors for CyberSecurity Malaysia in his welcome address at the Gala Dinner.

According to Tan Sri Mohd Azumi, CyberSecurity Malaysia will continue to facilitate the development of a truly innovative world-class cyber security sector and cyber ecosystem by focusing on knowledge creation and capacity-building. He also said developing strong talent and raising professional standards puts Malaysia in a much stronger position to capitalise on not just local, but global opportunities in cybersecurity.

Malaysia Cyber Security Awards 2019 - Lifetime Achievement Awards was presented to YBhg. Tan Sri Dr. Madinah Binti Mohamad, for her lifelong and exceptional contribution to the country as well as outstanding involvement towards cyber security industry.

The full list of Malaysia Cyber Security Awards 2019 recipients:

CYBER SECURITY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

1. Kho Han Yao, CEO/Director, Tecforte Sdn Bhd
2. Azmi Bin Samuri, CISO, Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad
3. Professor Dr Azween Abdullah, Head Cyber Security Research Cluster, Taylors University

CYBER SECURITY COMPANY OF THE YEAR

1. DXC Technology
2. Vigilant Asia (M) Sdn. Bhd.

CYBER SECURITY OUTREACH PROVIDER OF THE YEAR

1. Bahagian Teknologi Pendidikan Negeri (BTPN) Johor

CYBER SECURITY PROJECT OF THE YEAR

1. Assess Risk and Evaluate Security - ARES (Jabatan Perkhidmatan Komputer Negeri Sabah)
2. TNB Threat Intelligence for ICS (Tenaga Nasional Berhad)
3. 5G Security Development (Huawei Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd)

CYBERSAFE PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

1. Professor Dr Zarina Abdul Latif, Professor of Paediatrics, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia
2. Dr Suhaimi Kadir, Deputy Director, Policy, Planning and Research, Educational Resources & Technology Division, Ministry of Education
3. Puteri Sherina Balqish Muhd Suffian, Senior Manager, International Business Development & Government Liaison, Limkokwing University

CYBER SECURITY INNOVATION OF THE YEAR

1. **PRODUCT** - DNSVault Intelligence Threat Protection (ITP) (DNSVAULT Sdn Bhd)
2. **EDUCATION** - KALAM – Cybersecurity Collaboration Platform (Kaaqagam Education Services Sdn. Bhd.)
3. **SERVICE** - Hybrid Managed Detection & Response (NetAssist (M) Sdn Bhd)

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