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THE MALAYSIAN YOUTH @ SAFER INTERNET DAY 2020 (MY@SID)

PETALING JAYA (29 FEBRUARY 2020) - The Malaysian Youth @ Safer Internet Day 2020 (MY@SID) is a one day youth-led event where 100 selected youth across Malaysia come together to discuss the latest trends, risks and solutions related to the Internet, while enabling the Malaysian youth to become a new cadre of digitally fluent young Malaysian Internet leaders who are motivated to promote the positive use of the Internet, maintain good online hygiene and contribute to their communities.

MY@SID is organized by the youth initiative of the Internet Society Malaysia Chapter and the University of Malaya Law Society, in collaboration with CyberSecurity Malaysia, an agency under the Ministry of Communications and Multimedia Malaysia. This event is also supported by a number of organisations such as Google, Vanguards4Change, Monsters Among Us, and Health Diplomacy.

MY@SID is held at the **Faculty of Law, University of Malaya** on the **29th of February 2020**, and officiated by General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi bin Mohamed (Retired), the Chairman of the Board of Directors, CyberSecurity Malaysia.

The outcomes of this event include the production of the MY@SID Synthesis Document, which is a collaborative document consisting of the participants' input and feedback. This document will be published online and disseminated to other important Internet stakeholders and players such as Government agencies, policy makers, academicians, civil society organizations, private sectors and technical communities for the benefit of the Malaysian digital community. Upon completion of this programme, the youth participants will be recognized as the National Youth Ambassadors for Safer Internet Day Malaysia 2020.

In a statement by General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi bin Mohamed (Retired), he applauded youth led efforts such as MY@SID, and commented that these efforts must continue as the nation needs young leaders who can drive innovation. "CyberSecurity Malaysia will continue to support activities and initiatives by the youth that allows for the exchange of information and knowledge, on important Internet issues among youth in Malaysia", he added.



Photo 1 : General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi bin Mohamed (Retired) is giving a speech during the High Level Opening Ceremony

On the other hand, Suwannit Chareen Chit, the President of Internet Society Malaysia Chapter stated that he hopes to enable the Malaysian youth to disseminate their ideas across the Internet ecosystem, and broaden their experience so they can be more involved in important discussions pertaining to the Internet.



Photo II : A photo session with General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi bin Mohamed (Retired), Internet Society Malaysia Chapter, CyberSecurity Malaysia and University of Malaya Law Society after the Town Hall Session with Tan Sri.

The Malaysian Chapter celebration of the Safer Internet Day 2020 was officiated by the Former Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dato' Seri Dr. Wan Azizah Dr. Wan Ismail during the national launch on the 11th of February 2020 in Putrajaya with the theme being 'Digital Fluency' or 'Fasih Digital'. It is convened by CyberSecurity Malaysia in collaboration with a number of strategic partners. Throughout the SID campaign, a plethora of activities and programs are carried out to promote and maintain a safer Internet environment and infrastructure while nurturing and increasing public understanding on various Internet related issues and topics.

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