



MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
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Officiating Speech
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At MYNIC Tech Summit 2019 (MYTS2019)

A very good afternoon to all of you and Salam Harapan,

- a) YBhg. Dr. Mohamed Awang Lah
Chairman MYNIC
- b) YBrs. Encik Al-Ishsal Ishak
Chairman MCMC
- c) YBhg. Datuk Hasnul Fadhly Hasan
Chief Executive Officer MYNIC
- d) YBhg. Dato' Samsuni Mohd Nor
Senior Under-Secretary (Management)
- e) Honorable speakers and distinguished guests

Ladies & Gentlemen,

1. I am honored and glad to be here today with such a big group of industry players, regulators, academicians, government agencies and many more important stakeholders. I strongly believe this summit will bring a positive impact to all of us to understand and empower ourselves to be adaptive and resilient to the ever-changing ICT revolutions that is happening globally.
2. On behalf of Ministry of Communications and Multimedia Malaysia (KKMM), I wish to extend a warm welcome to the distinguished speakers and participants. This signifies the importance of these type of events to communicate and explore the facets of digital economy together in building a future Malaysia. MYNIC Tech Summit 2019 provides a unified platform for IT professional from various background to equip, discuss and share the knowledge and latest trend in the digital revolutions.

The summit, with its array of multi-disciplinary topics will give the participants new knowledge and views on the current trends in ICT and how this will impact them now and in the future. I also would like to extend my heartfelt congratulation to MYNIC for organizing this premier event.

Ladies & Gentlemen,

3. ICT as an enabling technology, is transforming and building our societies to become more resilient and sustainable. ICT have the extraordinary potential to improve social and economic development as well as environmental protection. Technology like cybersecurity, trademark and digital identity are progressing at unprecedented rapidness, and it is

changing the way we live, work and play. Whether we are ready for this digital transformation or not, technology becoming more intertwined in everyday lives each year.

4. These technologies are also a key driver in the digital transformation and are essential for the revolution to be fully realized. Digital technologies are improving productivity and competitiveness in our nation so that we can level the playing field with other developed nations. The developed nations are rapidly adopting digital technologies in their citizen's daily lives as ICT are pervasive their society. It is timely for our industries to act quickly and steer towards digital technology that will transform and accelerate the nation's capability to compete in the global digital economy. We have to keep pace with the rapid advancement in technology, and we have to do this together, and at the right scale to stay competitive.

5. Over the past two decades, the world has witnessed revolutionary changes in how consumers and businesses connect through technology. At this point in time, we stand amid technological revolution that has the potential to fundamentally shift the way we live, work, and relate to each other.

Ladies & Gentleman,

6. As a government, it is our responsibility to ensure that we rise to the occasion to meet and exceed those expectations in making sure that we, as a nation, are keeping pace with technological change. It is also absolutely clear to me that doing so requires us to be a leader in digital transformation.

7. The challenge for policymakers among others, is to create an enabling environment to leverage and engage the relevant industries to adopt in sustainable development that will further strengthen the country's economic future. This includes enabling society for the positive changes that the technology will bring. The nature of work itself is changing constantly – and quickly and we must keep up with those pace or be left behind.

Ladies & Gentleman,

8. As Malaysia progresses steadfastly towards becoming a high-income nation, it is crucial for the nation to be more agile and responsive to the various disruptive innovations emerging in the communications and multimedia sector.
9. We are confident that Malaysia will continue to adapt and be resilient to the rapidly changing landscape to remain competitive globally. In building Malaysia's future, the Rakyat must not only react and become a user to emerging technological disruptions; rather, we must sharpen our capabilities to seize the opportunities that arise, and exploit these high-impact ideas and be a contributor and creator of innovation. The government has a responsibility to ensure that Malaysians do not left behind in the digital economy era.

Ladies & Gentleman,

10. Malaysia is no longer what it used to be. We have transformed many times since our Independence in 1957 and last year, another historic transformation has occurred with the power of the Rakyat. This is the

New Malaysia or Malaysia Baru, which provides us with new opportunities to further transform our people and this beloved nation to gear up and become a global economic force to be reckoned with. The government will govern in a transparent and open manner and are proactive and perceptive to the needs of the Rakyat and the nation at large.

11. The government will regulate to level the playing field so that businesses can thrive and expand while maintaining an open economy. At the same time, we will work to ensure that our Rakyat are given the right infrastructure, talent development and business opportunities to be successful in this country and abroad. We want Malaysia to be a place which attracts talent, particularly local tech talent. We want it to be a vibrant hub for start-ups and a place where our local tech companies become the envy of the region, if not the world. I would like to see more Malaysian companies embrace and develop applications from these technologies that will create huge impact to the world.

Ladies & Gentleman,

12. I hope that this summit will provide you valuable insights into how you can make use of the knowledge and be more resilient for the betterment of yourself and others. Congratulations again to MYNIC for this initiative and taking the role in contributing towards shaping the ICT journey in Malaysia through this summit!

Thank you and Salam Harapan. I hereby launch MYNIC Tech Summit 2019!