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### **Cabaran Impak Inovasi Khazanah 2023 umum 3 Pemenang Teratas!**

*Tiga (3) pemenang teratas masing-masing bakal menerima geran sehingga RM500,000 bagi menyampaikan penyelesaian inovatif dan berdaya maju untuk menangani cabaran perubahan iklim demi keterjaminan makanan di Malaysia*

Hari Demo bagi Cabaran Impak Inovasi Khazanah ("KIIC") 2023 telah melabuhkan tirai hari ini, di mana 15 finalis mewakili perniagaan-perniagaan berimpak di Malaysia telah bertanding bagi merebut peluang mendapatkan pelaburan ekuiti dan/atau pembiayaan hutang dari Khazanah dan rakan-rakan kongsi pembiayaannya, dalam usaha untuk menyampaikan penyelesaian inovatif bagi menangani cabaran perubahan iklim demi keterjaminan makanan di Malaysia.

Tiga pemenang dengan penyelesaian yang paling inovatif dan unik serta impak yang boleh diukur, beroperasi dengan model perniagaan yang mampan dan menawarkan penyelesaian yang sesuai untuk Malaysia telah dipilih oleh panel hakim KIIC 2023.

Tiga Pemenang Teratas tersebut, Braintree Technologies, Ultimeat dan Kapitani masing-masing menerima geran sehingga RM500,000 bagi merealisasikan rancangan perniagaan mereka. Dua belas peserta akhir yang lain pula masing-masing akan menerima geran antara RM150,000 dan sehingga RM400,000.

Anugerah kepada para pemenang dan finalis disampaikan oleh **Pengarah Urusan Khazanah Dato' Amirul Feisal Wan Zahir** dan **Ketua Dana Impak Khazanah dan Penjagaan Kesihatan Bryan Lim**.

#### **Braintree Technologies**

#### **Arif Makhdzir, Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif**

"Saya berasa amat berbesar hati kerana terpilih sebagai antara tiga pemenang teratas dan terima kasih diucapkan. Rancangan kami adalah untuk mempercepatkan pelan pengkomersilan robot kami dan meningkatkan pengeluaran kami dengan geran RM500,000 ini. Perubahan iklim telah membawa ketidakpastian terhadap pengeluaran yang tidak

pernah berlaku sebelum ini kepada petani, kerana mereka tidak lagi dapat bergantung kepada pola kitaran tanaman biasa. Ketidakpastian dalam kalender tanaman juga menyebabkan ketidakpastian terhadap tenaga kerja di ladang. Robot kami mampu menjadi pekerja yang fleksibel dan serba boleh, serta mampu melakukan pelbagai jenis tugas dan membantu petani menangani ketidakpastian ini.”

### **Ultimateat**

#### **Edwin Lee, Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif**

“Terpilih sebagai salah satu daripada tiga pemenang teratas dalam cabaran yang dianjurkan oleh Khazanah adalah satu penghormatan dan membuktikan dedikasi dan inovasi pasukan kami di Ultimateat. Pengiktirafan ini bukan sahaja bermakna kepada usaha kami, tetapi juga mendorong kami untuk terus menyumbang kepada industri. Dengan geran RM500,000 ini, kami merancang untuk memperkuuh usaha penglibatan komuniti kami, bagi memastikan rakyat Malaysia mendapat maklumat yang menyeluruh tentang produk kami. Berikutan cabaran perubahan iklim dan implikasinya terhadap keterjaminan makanan, teknologi inovatif Ultimateat menyediakan penyelesaian yang mampan dengan menghasilkan protein dalam tempoh tujuh hari sahaja dan mengurangkan kesan terhadap alam sekitar.”

### **Kapitani**

#### **Mohd Nazrul Hazeri, Pengasas Bersama**

“Kami berasa amat gembira berada di tiga tempat teratas. Ini menunjukkan betapa gigihnya usaha pasukan dan para petani kami, yang juga merupakan teras misi kami. Anugerah ini mengukuhkan lagi matlamat kami dan kami ingin memanfaatkan peluang ini untuk terus menyokong para petani kami dan melakukan yang lebih baik. Terima kasih atas anugerah ini dan kami berharap dapat terus membantu para petani kami dan sistem makanan kita. Kami akan menggunakan geran RM500,000 ini untuk mempercepatkan projek kami di dua negeri dan membuka lebih banyak peluang pekerjaan. Kami juga akan menguji penyelesaian pembiayaan kami untuk para petani, agar mereka dapat menikmati pembayaran dengan lebih cepat dan lebih mudah.”

Selain itu, tiga syarikat pemula berdasarkan teknologi, Entomal, Hydroemission dan Kairos, masing-masing menerima “Anugerah Pemilihan Rakan Kongsi” dengan geran RM10,000 yang ditaja oleh program MYStartup Cradle, sebagai motivasi untuk memajukan lagi perniagaan mereka. Menyedari kepentingan dan keperluan mendesak untuk masa hadapan yang lebih mampan, Anugerah Pemilihan Rakan Kongsi mengiktiraf inovator terbaik dalam menangani perubahan iklim demi keterjaminan makanan Malaysia. Anugerah tersebut

disampaikan oleh **Pemangku Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Kumpulan Cradle Fund, Norman Matthieu Vanhaecke.**

**Dato' Feisal** berkata, "Melalui KIIC 2023, kami berharap untuk menyalurkan sokongan dan modal yang diperlukan bagi pelaksanaan penyelesaian yang inovatif dan mampan untuk menangani isu keterjaminan makanan, dalam masa yang sama memacu daya tahan sosio-ekonomi dan potensi pertumbuhan untuk negara, seiring dengan strategi Memajukan Malaysia kami."

"Dedikasi dan kebijaksanaan syarikat-syarikat pemula ini bukan sahaja akan menambahbaik landskap agrimakanan tetapi juga berpotensi menyokong keperluan pelbagai isi rumah. Ketika kita mendepani peningkatan kadar inflasi, ketidaktentuan global dan cabaran yang dibawa perubahan iklim, penyelesaian inovatif yang dipelopori hari ini akan menjadi sumber daya tahan bagi pengguna dan negara."

Dilancarkan pada 25 Julai 2023, KIIC 2023 membuka permohonan daripada perniagaan-perniagaan Malaysia yang telah membangunkan penyelesaian inovatif dan berdaya maju secara komersial untuk menangani cabaran yang dibawa perubahan iklim terhadap keterjaminan makanan di Malaysia.

Khazanah telah menerima lebih daripada 160 permohonan, dengan 15 finalis disenarai pendek oleh jawatankuasa termasuk rakan kongsinya untuk menyertai Hari Demo, yang berlangsung pada 7 November 2023. Pemilihan dibuat berdasarkan rekod prestasi keusahawanan, model perniagaan dan kelebihan kompetitif, penyampaian impak dan strategi pelaksanaan. Para finalis juga menghadiri bengkel dan bimbingan selama empat minggu yang disampaikan pakar-pakar industri bagi menyediakan mereka untuk Hari Demo.

KIIC 2023 dianjurkan oleh Khazanah dengan kerjasama rakan kongsi program, Plug and Play APAC ("PNP"), rakan jangkauan, Impact Circle dan program MYStartup Cradle Fund, dan rakan kongsi pembiayaan Gobi Partners, 500 Global dan Agrobank.

Pada Hari Demo KIIC, para finalis telah membentangkan cadangan perniagaan mereka kepada panel hakim KIIC, yang terdiri daripada pakar-pakar bidang berkaitan serta ahli pengurusan kanan Khazanah. Turut hadir para pelabur bertauliah dan modal teroka dari Malaysia dan luar negara.

Untuk maklumat lanjut tentang finalis KIIC 2023 dan inisiatif-inisiatif yang dilaksanakan, sila layari <https://www.khazanah.com.my/kiic/>

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### **About Dana Impak**

Dana Impak or impact fund, is an initiative by Khazanah and a key pillar under Khazanah's Advancing Malaysia strategy to support investments that will increase the nation's competitiveness and resilience in the evolving global environment, prioritising the creation of long-term societal value for Malaysians.

### **About Plug and Play**

Plug and Play ("PNP") is a global innovation platform. Headquartered in Silicon Valley, PNP have built accelerator programs, corporate innovation services and an in-house VC to make technological advancement progress faster than ever before. Since inception in 2006, PNP programs have expanded worldwide to include a presence in over 50 locations globally, giving startups the necessary resources to succeed in Silicon Valley and beyond. With over 80,000 startups and 550 official corporate partners, PNP have created the ultimate startup ecosystem in many industries. PNP provide active investments with 200 leading Silicon Valley VCs, and host more than 700 networking events per year. Companies in our community have raised over \$9 billion in funding, with successful portfolio exits including Danger, Dropbox, Lending Club and PayPal. For more information: visit [www.pluginplayapac.com](http://www.pluginplayapac.com)

### **About Impact Circle**

Impact Circle ("IC") is an independent agrifoodtech builder and multiplier for the food and agriculture sector in Southeast Asia. IC provide an integrated platform to support companies and startups build and co-create food and agricultural solutions to transform our existing food systems, improve food security and reduce our environmental impact for healthy living and sustain our planet earth. For more information, please visit <https://www.myimpactcircle.org/>

### **About Gobi Partners**

Gobi Partners is the most interconnected Pan-Asian venture capital firm with US\$1.6 billion in assets under management (AUM) across Asia. Headquartered in Kuala Lumpur and Hong Kong, Gobi has raised 16 funds to date, invested in over 380 startups and nurtured 10 unicorns. As a Participant of the United Nations Global Compact, the firm launched its second Sustainability Report in June 2023. For more information, please visit <https://gobi.vc/>

### **About 500 Global**

500 Global is a multi-stage venture capital firm with US\$2.5B in assets under management<sup>1</sup> as of 31 March 2023 that invests in founders building fast-growing technology companies. 500 Global focuses on markets where technology, innovation, and capital can unlock long-term value and drive economic growth. 500 Global has backed over 5,000 founders representing more than 2,800 companies operating in 80+ countries. 500 Global has invested in 45+ companies valued at over \$1 billion and 150+ companies valued at over \$100 million (including private, public, and exited companies). 500 Global is among one of the leading early unicorn investors to be established in Southeast Asia having backed companies which have been valued at over \$1B+ such as Grab, Bukalapak,

Carousell, Carsome, FinAccel, and eFishery. 500 Global 180+ team members are located in over 25 countries and bring experience as entrepreneurs, investors, and operators from some of the world's leading technology companies. For more information, please visit <https://500.co/>

*1. Assets under management stated herein are rounded to the nearest \$100M and are calculated in accordance with SEC Form ADV Part 1a Instruction 5.b. to include the current market value (or fair value) of all private fund assets and the contractual amount of any uncalled commitments to such private funds, together with the current market value of all other securities portfolios for which 500 Startups Management Company, L.L.C. or its affiliates provides ongoing discretionary investment management services, with market value determined using the same method used to report account values to clients or to calculate fees for investment advisory services. assets under management may increase or decrease significantly after 31 March 2023.*

#### **About Agrobank**

AGROBANK is a leader in agriculture financing and values-based banking based (VBI)\* in Malaysia. Established in 1969, Agrobank is actively involved in charting the growth and development of Malaysia's agriculture industry by offering shariah-compliant products and solutions across various customer segments including micro, small, medium, and large retail, and business customers. Agrobank is a full-fledged Islamic bank since 1st July 2015.

As a market-driven, customer-centric DFI (Development Financial Institution) with a primary focus on strengthening the agriculture sector in Malaysia, Agrobank strikes an equal balance to its developmental and commercial roles to benefit the agriculture sector. Agrobank provides a comprehensive repertoire of financing solutions for the agriculture community; that includes upstream activities related to primary food and commodities-based agriculture activities to downstream activities such as processing, marketing, and distribution of agricultural products.

Agrobank also offers retail banking financing solutions to improve the well-being of the agriculture community. This is done through its network of 207 touchpoints which include 140 branches and 67 banking touchpoints. In 2019, Agrobank celebrated its golden jubilee Anniversary, as it marks 50 years of its proud establishment developing the agro-industry. For more information, please visit <https://www.agrobank.com.my>

#### **About Cradle Fund Sdn. Bhd.**

Cradle is Malaysia's early-stage startup influencer, incorporated under the Ministry of Finance Malaysia in 2003, and administered under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI). With over 1000 tech startups funded, Cradle has the highest commercialisation rate among government grants. Cradle now offers two new grants, CIP Spark and CIP Sprint, targeting technology startups for idea development and commercialisation. Cradle has been appointed as the focal point agency for Malaysia's startup ecosystem, spearheading the Malaysia Startup Ecosystem Roadmap (SUPER), MYStartup programme, and administering the Angel Tax Incentive (ATIO). Cradle's product offerings are not only restricted to monetary aid, but also include commercialisation support, coaching and various value-added services to cater to today's entrepreneurs' diversified needs. For more information on Cradle, please visit [www.cradle.com.my](http://www.cradle.com.my)

#### **About MYStartup**

Established in 2021, MYStartup is a national project initiated by the Ministry of Science, Technology, and Innovation (MOSTI) powered by Cradle. With the aim to be the ASEAN Centre of Entrepreneurship by 2030, MYStartup focuses its efforts on three main pillars that are crucial in building an inclusive and sustainable entrepreneurial ecosystem: founders, investors, and developers. MYStartup develops initiatives such as MYHackathon, MYStartup Accelerator/Pre-Accelerator, MYStartup Bootcamp and MYStartup Dev, which are all aimed to guide and provide a platform to accelerate and spur the growth of the ecosystem. With a goal to build

an inclusive and sustainable startup ecosystem from the ground up, MYStartup is part of the Malaysian Startup Ecosystem Roadmap (SUPER) which has been mandated to ensure that initiatives by MYStartup benefit the startup ecosystem as a whole. This effort is also in tandem with MOSTI's target of creating 5,000 startups and 10,000 coders by 2030. For more information on MYStartup, please visit [www.mystartup.gov.my](http://www.mystartup.gov.my)