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## 2014 MALAYSIA DEVELOPERS' DAY – ASEAN EDITION: BUILDING A DIGITAL ECOSYSTEM ACROSS ASIA

AT&T and the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission Collaborate to Encourage Innovative App Creation in Asia

**KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA, SEPTEMBER 4, 2014** – <u>AT&T</u>\* and the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) are once again bringing innovation to Asia. The two organizations will co-host *2014 Malaysia Developers' Day* – *ASEAN Edition* in Kuala Lumpur Sept. 17-19, 2014 with an expected keynote address by United States Ambassador Joseph Yu.

As part of the inaugural *KL Converge!* digital technology showcase, the Malaysia Developers' Day is a contest that will challenge participants from 14 countries<sup>\*\*</sup> in Asia to create a mobile app within 24 hours. Teams that come up with the best apps will win prizes totaling more than US\$15,000 (~MYR47,400), including 12 scholarships for online software training to empower the next generation of innovators in the region.

Last year's Malaysia Developers' Day proved to be a success, with more than 110 participants and 24 new app ideas. This year, the organizers will invite creative minds from across 14 countries in Asia to develop apps and compete for prizes in three categories, all under the theme of "Building a Digital Ecosystem." The three categories include:

- Best app for Community Involvement
- Best app for Smart City
- Best app for Commercialization

MCMC and AT&T will provide the resources, education and networking structure to create apps more quickly and at lower cost. Participants will have access to AT&T's Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), already built-out services that tap into the power of <u>AT&T's</u> <u>network</u>. Developers can quickly plug them into their apps for added functionality, such as speech-to-text. Mentors will also be on hand to help and share their knowhow with the participating innovators.

"AT&T was the first carrier in the U.S. to create a Developer Program – the longest running program to date. AT&T is proud to continue to once again collaborate with the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission and co-sponsor the 2014 Malaysia Developers' Day," said Carlton Hill, vice president, Device Operations and Developer Services, AT&T. "The event is a great way to empower developers by giving them the right tools and opportunities to build a richer, more connected digital ecosystem across the region."

"Last year, we showcased the energy and talent of Malaysia developers who stimulate the economy and can make a difference through the creation of various mobile apps," said MCMC Chief Industry Development Officer, Dato' Mohd Ali Hanafiah. "By expanding this event to other countries across the region, we hope to see even more innovation and creativity to drive our region forward."

The 2014 Malaysia Developers' Day – ASEAN Edition will take place in the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre from 9.00 a.m. MYT on September 17, 2014 to 5.00 p.m. on September 18, 2014. The winning teams in the three categories will each receive US\$1,000. They will then present their apps at the *KL Converge!* Gala Dinner on September 19, 2014 for a chance to win a grand prize of an additional US\$10,000. Scholarships will be provided by AT&T and Udacity for nanodegrees available in the Massive Open Online Course format.

Those interested in participating can register online at: <u>http://soc.att.com/MYDD2014</u>

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\*\*Participation includes developers from ASEAN countries - Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam, as well as ASEAN's dialogue partners – mainland China, India, Japan and Republic of Korea.

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