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Seven Cybersecurity Companies & Professionals Honoured for their Outstanding Contributions to the Cybersecurity Ecosystem

Singapore, 11 November 2022 – Riding on the success of The Cybersecurity Awards (TCA) which started since 2018, the Association of Information Security Professionals (AiSP) organised the fifth edition of The Cybersecurity Awards to recognise and honour individuals and companies with outstanding contributions to the cybersecurity ecosystem in Singapore and the region in 2022. Seven winners were awarded from out of 26 nominees from the Hall of Fame Category, Leader Category (2 winners), Professional Category, Student Category, MNC (Vendor) Category, MNC (End User) Category and SME (Vendor) Category based on their contributions and achievement for the Cybersecurity Ecosystem at the Cybersecurity Awards Ceremony which was held at Suntec City Convention Centre, Singapore.

Gracing the celebratory event was Guest-of-Honour Mrs Josephine Teo, Minister for Communications and Information and Minister-in-Charge of Smart Nation and Cybersecurity, who presented the awards to the winners (details can be found in Annex B). Around 340 guests from the industry, public sector and overseas information security associations attended the awards ceremony in person.

AiSP President Mr Johnny Kho shared, “It has been 2 years since we all last gathered in a big group to honour all the good work done by companies and cybersecurity professionals at the frontline and behind the scenes to build a resilient and vibrant cybersecurity ecosystem. Not forgetting the youths who volunteer and contribute to the ecosystem beyond their curriculum. The Cybersecurity Awards (TCA) aims to honour individuals and companies that demonstrate excellence, innovation, and leadership in cybersecurity initiatives in establishing a safer, more secure, and trusted cyberspace. All the nominees are important building blocks in sustaining a resilient and robust cybersecurity ecosystem to support Singapore’s Smart Nation and Safer Cyberspace Initiatives. We believe that there are more companies and individuals who have been working tirelessly behind the scenes in contributing to the

cybersecurity ecosystem and hope to encourage them to step forward and inspire others with their achievements”.

Commissioner of Cybersecurity and Chief Executive of the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA), Mr David Koh said, “Cyber space has become ubiquitous, indispensable and so much a part of our lives today. At the same time, cyber threats have increased and become more serious. Against this backdrop of accelerated digitalisation and growing cyber risks, our need for dedicated and professional cyber experts is clear. It is heartening to see the continued high level of commitment and resilience from cybersecurity professionals across the board. I extend my heartiest congratulations to all the award recipients for being the inspiration and role models of our industry. We look forward to working with more communities and organisations to grow, develop and advance the cybersecurity ecosystem.”

TCA is supported by the CSA and eight other industry and professional associations¹. AiSP’s call for TCA’s 2023 nominees will commence on 1 February 2023. TCA is open to all cybersecurity professionals and organisations at different stages of growth.

¹ SCSIA comprises of AiSP, Centre for Strategic Cyberspace + International Studies, Cloud Security Alliance Singapore Chapter, High Tech Crime Investigation Association Singapore Chapter, ISACA Singapore Chapter, ISC² Singapore Chapter, Singapore Computer Society, SGTech, and The Law Society of Singapore.

Annex A – Factsheet on the Cybersecurity Awards 2022 Finalists

About The Cybersecurity Awards 2022

The Cybersecurity Awards (TCA) is organised by the Association of Information Security Professionals (AiSP), supported by the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA), and Singapore Cyber Security Inter Association (SCSIA) which includes 9 organisations, one of which is AiSP. Comprising industry practitioners from Singapore and overseas, together with CSA and the organising committee, the judges for the awards were all volunteers contributing their time and expertise. TCA is open to all cybersecurity professionals and organisations at different stages of growth. Catering to various demographics including students, professionals and industry players, AiSP aims to make information security knowledge accessible to stakeholders in Singapore's cybersecurity ecosystem. Please refer to www.thecybersecurityawards.sg for more details.

About AiSP

Started in 2008, the Association of Information Security Professionals (AiSP) aims to:

- Promote the integrity, status and interests of Information Security Professionals in Singapore.
- Develop, support and enhance technical competence and management expertise in cybersecurity.
- Bolster the development, increase and spread of information.

Please refer to www.aisp.sg or reach out to our media contacts for more details.

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Annex B – Factsheet on the Cybersecurity Awards 2022 Finalists

Student Category

Student Award

This award recognises students in the Institutes of Higher Learning who are passionate about cybersecurity, have volunteered in this field, as well as attained achievements in their cybersecurity fields.

One Winner: Sng Jay Kai from Singapore Polytechnic

Jay Kai is passionate about tech as an enabler. Inspired to serve his fellow youths when he attended a student-led cybersecurity bootcamp, Jay Kai worked to advance digital inclusivity and sustainability as Deputy Chief Executive (Collective) at a youth-in-tech charity, Cyber Youth Singapore. He led flagship memberships and engagement initiatives, including the Youthx series which empowered over 700 youths. An avid student of cybersecurity, he looks forward to furthering his competencies in this exciting sector.

Professional Category

Professional Award

This award recognises the significant achievements of cybersecurity professionals and their contributions to their professions and communities. The Nominees must have also demonstrated how they have raised Singapore's standing in cybersecurity beyond its shores by leveraging their cybersecurity expertise.

One Winner: Yap Peh San Soffenny from IBM

“It is such an honour to be nominated alongside so many incredible professionals and veterans who inspire me. As a working mother with a child less than 2 years old and someone who didn't come from a technical background, I'm immensely grateful to have the chance to contribute to the cyber security space and I would like to encourage more people who are willing and have the mindset to contribute to join the industry, regardless of their experience and background. Furthermore, I would like to thank those who have supported me throughout this journey and the judges who have acknowledged me. I'm elated to be

presented with this award and it continues to motivate me to serve the cyber security community.”

Leader

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There are two winners this year:

1) Hoi Wai Khin from RSM Singapore

Hoi Wai Khin, Partner, Technology Consulting of RSM Singapore whose day job is an auditor, consultant, in-house CISO walk the talk and volunteer at different platforms to develop the youths through sharing. I urge everyone that for security, enjoy the journey and try to get better every day. Don't lose the passion and the love for what you do. I hope that everyone volunteers and contributes back to the ecosystem.

2) Stanislav Protassov from Acronis Asia Pte. Ltd

Stanislav Protassov is the Technology President of Acronis who provides his leadership to build the knowledge and capabilities of the Singapore R&D team. This will cement Singapore as Acronis’ nerve centre for innovation, and product development, which I believe will enhance Singapore’s reputation as a hub for developing cutting-edge Cyber Protection technologies.

Hall of Fame

This award recognises honouring outstanding individual for exceptional contribution to the profession, society or field of expertise.

One Winner: Prof Lam Kok Yan, Associate Vice President at NTU

Kwok Yan has been contributing to cybersecurity in Singapore as an educator, a researcher as well as a practitioner for the past three decades. In 1992, he created the first tertiary level IT security course in Singapore. Since 1995, he has led many highly successful government-industry-university research collaborations on information security and has played the role of chief security architect for many security-sensitive systems for banks and governments in the region. Today, Kwok Yan is the Associate Vice President (Strategy and Partnerships) and a Professor in the School of Computer Science and Engineering of NTU.

Enterprise Category

SME Vendor

This award recognises small and medium enterprises (SMEs) that have contributed significantly to Singapore's cybersecurity ecosystem, profession and society. Nominees are also judged on their efforts in raising Singapore's standing in cybersecurity, initiatives to raise security awareness in their organisations and human resource practices for the development of cybersecurity professionals.

One Winner: Toffs Technologies Pte. Ltd.

TOFFS is a leading Singapore company focusing in Secured Multi-CDN (Content Delivery Network) and all-round IT security protection (Internet & Intranet Defense). The company's Security & Network Operations Centre provides 24/7 managed security support for our customers in the Asia Pacific Region.

MNC End User

This award recognises Singapore-based multinational corporations (MNCs) that have contributed significantly to Singapore's ecosystem, profession and society. Nominees are also judged on their efforts in raising Singapore's standing in cybersecurity, initiatives to

raise security awareness in their organisations and human resource practices as well as corporate social responsibility.

One Winner: Nanyang Technological University

Ranked among the world's top universities, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore) has successfully integrated cybersecurity into its digital transformation to enhance productivity and performance. NTU creates global impact through interdisciplinary education and research and supports Singapore's efforts to enhance the national cybersecurity ecosystem's resilience and robustness against cyber-attacks.

MNC Vendor

This award recognises multinational corporations (MNCs) operating in Singapore, that have contributed significantly to Singapore's ecosystem, profession and society. Nominees are judged on their efforts in raising Singapore's standing in cybersecurity, initiatives to raise security awareness in their organisations and human resource practices for their cybersecurity professionals.

One Winner: Ensign InfoSecurity Pte. Ltd.

In Ensign InfoSecurity, our cyber competencies are built with the goal of solving every cybersecurity challenge that our clients may face. We have contributed significantly to the ecosystem through our people and expertise, combined with our innovative R&D capabilities. We go beyond the expected, nurturing future cybersecurity professionals, as well as advocating equal opportunity and sustainability culture in the workplace.