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**CHAMPIONING PRODUCTIVITY INITIATIVES FROM THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS ATTRACT FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE NORTHERN REGION**

3 July 2023, Kepala Batas - Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC), a leading provider of Productivity Champion recognition for individuals, proudly announced the recognition of 14 outstanding industry players and government officers as Productivity Champions. This initiative aims to honour individuals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, efficiency, and innovation in their respective roles, contributing significantly to the success of national projects.

The Productivity Champion program was established as part of MPC's commitment to fostering a culture of excellence and continuous improvement. The 14 honourees were carefully selected based on three categories of projects or initiatives: the Academy in Industry (Aii), Productivity Step Up and E10 Express Construction Permit Project, and their role as drivers in their organisations, supporting national agendas. Their unwavering commitment to excellence has not only improved organisational productivity but has also inspired and motivated foreign investors to invest in Malaysia.

The awards ceremony was presented at the MPC Board of Directors Networking Session at Bertam Resort. All three Productivity Champions recognition for the Leader category came from the Academy in Industry (Aii) initiative namely YBhg. Dato' Ng Chai Eng from UWC Berhad, Dr. Bugs Tan Yeow Kiang from ViTrox Technologies Sdn. Bhd., and TKP Abdul Kadir Jailani bin Ismail from Penjara Negeri Kedah.

Another five (5) recipients from the Productivity Step-Up initiative are Mr. Manojkumar Subramaniam from Electrolance IoT Solutions, Mr. Lucas Lee Zong Shu from AI Tech Skillup Training, Mr. Humphrey Ho Soo Wee from YGL Convergence Berhad, Mr. Tee Poh Cheong from PKT Logistics (M) Sdn. Bhd., and Mr. Muhammad Nur Iqbaal bin Mohd Rizal from Trili Maju Sdn. Bhd.

Lastly, six (6) recipients from the E10 Express Construction Permit initiative are PKPjB Sayani binti Haji Saidon from Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Perak, Ir. Mohd Fisal bin Ismail from Jabatan Kerja Raya Negeri Kedah Darul Aman, Mr. Abdul Halim bin Hassan from Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan Taman Perindustrian Hi-Tech Kulim, Tuan Haji Mohd Nazri bin Harun from Majlis Perbandaran Kulim Kedah, Mr. Muhammad Aniz bin Mohd Azmi from AT&S Malaysia, and Mr. James Lai Chia Yang from PKT Logistics Group Sdn. Bhd.

Haji Zahid Ismail, Deputy Director General of MPC, said that the recipients are true role models who embody the core values of innovation, teamwork, and excellence. "We are delighted to recognise these 14 exceptional individuals as our Productivity Champions. Their remarkable contributions have propelled productivity forward, enabling us to deliver outstanding results".

"We believe that recognising and celebrating outstanding performance plays a pivotal role in fostering a positive work environment. Through programs like the Productivity Champion initiative, the organisation encourages all employees to strive for excellence and continuously seek ways to enhance productivity, creativity, and innovation", he said.

As a driver of productivity in the nation, Malaysia Productivity Corporation remains committed to recognising exceptional talent and providing ongoing opportunities for growth and development to nurture a high-performing workforce.

To be recognised as a Productivity Champion, productive individuals can register at <https://www.mpc.gov.my/epc>.

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#### **About Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC)**

MPC is a statutory body under the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI). It drives national productivity holistically at the national, sectoral, and enterprise levels through five main thrusts: developing future talent, driving digitization and innovation, ensuring industry accountability for productivity, building a robust ecosystem, and fostering a productive mindset. It collaborates strategically with the private and public sectors by emphasising productivity as a key agenda to boost productivity growth and national competitiveness, ultimately leading to shared well-being and prosperity.

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From the left : Dr. Mazrina Mohamed Ibramsah (Deputy Director General MPC), PKPjB Sayani Binti Haji Saidon (YS Pengarah Negeri, Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Perak) receiver of Productivity Champion, Datuk Kamaruzzaman Johari (Chairman MPC), and En. Zahid Ismail (Deputy Director General MPC).

List of the Receiver Productivity Champion Recognition Leader Category.

No.	Name	Title	Organisation
<b>Initiative Academy in Industry (Aii)</b>			
1.	YBhg. Dato' Ng Chai Eng	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	UWC Berhad
2	Dr Bugs Tan Yeow Kiang	Senior Manager	ViTrox Technologies Sdn Bhd
3	TKP Abdul Kadir Jailani bin Ismail	Director	Penjara Negeri Kedah
<b>Initiative Productivity Step-Up</b>			
4	Mr Manojkumar Subramaniam	Chief Executive Officer	Electrolance IoT Solutions
5	Mr Lucas Lee Zong Shu	Chief Executive Officer	AI Tech Skillup Training
6	Mr Humphrey Ho Soo Wee	Head of Marketing	YGL Convergence Berhad
7	Mr Tee Poh Cheong	Deputy General Manager	PKT Logistics (M) Sdn Bhd
8	Mr Muhammad Nur Iqbaal bin Mohd Rizal	Assistant Manager Supply Chain	Trili Maju Sdn Bhd

Initiative E10 Express Construction Permit			
9	PKPjB Sayani Binti Haji Saidon	YS Pengarah Negeri	Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Perak
10	Ir. Mohd Fisal bin Ismail	Director	Jabatan Kerja Raya Negeri Kedah Darul Aman
11	Mr Abdul Halim Bin Hassan	Yang Dipertua	Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan Taman Perindustrian Hi- Tech Kulim
12	Tuan Haji Mohd Nazri bin Harun	Director	Majlis Perbandaran Kulim Kedah
13	Mr Muhammad Aniz Bin Mohd Azmi	Public Affairs Manager	AT&S Malaysia
14	Mr James Lai Chia Yang	Director of Project	PKT Logistics Group Sdn. Bhd