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Permohonan untuk menyertai Cabaran Impak Inovasi Khazanah (KIIC) 2023 kini dibuka bagi menangani cabaran iklim demi keterjaminan makanan di Malaysia

*Sepuluh finalis teratas akan menerima RM500,000 dalam bentuk geran dan potensi
pelaburan oleh Khazanah dan rakan-rakan pendanaannya*

Khazanah Nasional Berhad (Khazanah) hari ini mengumumkan penganjuran kali kedua Cabaran Impak Inovasi Khazanah ("KIIC") 2023 bertemakan "**Menangani Cabaran Iklim demi Keterjaminan Makanan di Malaysia**".

KIIC adalah cabaran perniagaan yang sejajar dengan objektif penciptaan nilai Dana Impak Khazanah, dengan matlamat untuk menangani permasalahan (*problem statement*) yang meluas dan memacu daya tahan ekonomi dan potensi pertumbuhan untuk negara.

Tema cabaran tahun ini mewakili kebimbangan yang semakin meningkat terhadap perubahan iklim dan potensi ancaman terhadap keterjaminan makanan. Perubahan iklim menimbulkan ancaman yang nyata terhadap sektor agrimakanan seluruh dunia. Kemarau yang berpanjangan, gelombang haba, hujan lebat dan banjir telah menjejaskan pengeluaran makanan merentasi benua, mengakibatkan penurunan hasil tanaman dan kemusnahan terhadap ternakan dan stok makanan. Panel Antara Kerajaan tentang Perubahan Iklim (IPCC) mengunjurkan 5% - 32% penurunan hasil tanaman disebabkan perubahan iklim menjelang 2050, disulitkan lagi dengan anggaran peningkatan 60% permintaan global bagi makanan menjelang tahun yang sama disebabkan pertumbuhan penduduk, seperti yang digambarkan dalam model oleh Pertubuhan Makanan dan Pertanian (FAO)

KIIC 2023 kini membuka permohonan daripada perniagaan Malaysia yang berimpak tinggi berpenyelesaian yang inovatif dan berdaya maju secara komersial untuk menangani

cabaran perubahan iklim terhadap keterjaminan makanan di Malaysia. Permohonan dalam talian **dibuka bermula hari ini sehingga 4 September 2023.**

Dianjurkan oleh Khazanah di bawah inisiatif Dana Impak, komitmen RM6 bilion untuk tempoh 5 tahun, KIIC 2023 berhasrat untuk menarik syarikat pemula agrimakanan yang inovatif dan Perusahaan Mikro, Kecil dan Sederhana ("PMKS") yang aktif dalam menangani permasalahan yang timbul daripada kesan perubahan iklim terhadap sektor agrimakanan. Selain itu, KIIC 2023 akan memberikan sokongan kepada peserta terpilih untuk meningkatkan kesediaan dan pengetahuan mereka dalam mendapatkan dan mengumpul dana untuk membawa perniagaan mereka ke tahap pertumbuhan seterusnya. Program itu juga bermatlamat mengukuhkan profil syarikat pemula agrimakanan dan PMKS yang berpangkalan di Malaysia, untuk mewujudkan nilai sosioekonomi untuk negara.

Pengarah Urusan Khazanah, Dato' Amirul Feisal Wan Zahir berkata, "Dana Impak berasa sukacita kerana dapat mempertemukan para pemegang taruh daripada pelbagai sektor untuk meneroka peluang kerjasama dan memanfaatkan kepelbagaian bakat dan kepakaran di kalangan syarikat pemula Malaysia dan PMKS dalam sektor agrimakanan. Oleh kerana perubahan iklim kian mengancam keterjaminan makanan negara, usaha ini diharap dapat menawarkan sokongan yang diperlukan dan sebuah platform berjangkauan luas bagi menarik modal untuk menjana penyelesaian yang inovatif dan mampan, sejajar dengan strategi jangka panjang kami iaitu Memajukan Malaysia."

KIIC 2023 dianjurkan bersama dengan rakan kongsi program kami, Plug and Play, rakan-rakan jangkauan Impact Circle dan MYStartup oleh Cradle Fund, dan rakan-rakan kongsi pendanaan Gobi Partners, 500 Global dan Agrobank. Cabaran ini bertujuan untuk mencari penyelesaian inovatif seperti sumber makanan haiwan alternatif, baja alternatif, teknologi perladangan, pembiayaan, dan penyelesaian rantai bekalan untuk meningkatkan kecekapan dan produktiviti dalam industri agrimakanan.

Sepuluh (10) finalis KIIC akan menerima sehingga RM500,000 setiap satu dalam bentuk geran dan berpeluang mengemukakan cadangan (*pitch*) bagi menarik potensi pelaburan ekuiti daripada Khazanah dan rakan-rakan pendanaannya.

Pertandingan ini terbuka kepada semua entiti perniagaan yang berpangkalan di Malaysia. Setiap permohonan akan dinilai dengan teliti dan hanya pemohon yang berjaya akan dipilih untuk menyertai KIIC 2023. Pemohon yang disenarai pendek akan menerima jemputan untuk Hari Demo dan finalis akan diumumkan pada bulan Oktober 2023.

Untuk maklumat lanjut dan syarat kelayakan untuk menyertai KIIC, sila layari www.khazanah.com.my/kiic.

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About Khazanah Nasional Berhad

Khazanah Nasional Berhad (“Khazanah”) is the sovereign wealth fund of Malaysia entrusted to deliver sustainable value for Malaysians. In line with its long-term strategy of Advancing Malaysia, Khazanah aims to deliver its purpose by investing in catalytic sectors, creating value through active stewardship, increasing its global presence, as well as building capacity and vibrant communities for the benefit of Malaysians. For more information on Khazanah, visit www.khazanah.com.my

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.plugandplayapac.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://qobi.vc/>

About 500 Global

500 Global is a multi-stage venture capital firm with US\$2.5B in assets under management¹ 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.