

STATEMENT ON RISE CONFERENCE

Cyberjaya, 3 September 2021: Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC) has been informed by Web Summit, the organiser of RISE, that the event will remain in Hong Kong for 2022, as the turmoil from the COVID-19 pandemic together with challenges involved in relocating the event would not make it feasible to do so.

“We wanted to let you know that this is not a goodbye to the city as we are always looking for the best places to host our events and Kuala Lumpur clearly fits in this category. The people, the culture, the traditions and the thriving tech ecosystem are undeniable and left us very much impressed. As such, we are sure that, in the future, we will continue to engage with this vibrant community and we hope to see Malaysian founders, investors and journalists at our events around the world,” stated Web Summit.

MDEC would like to extend our appreciation for the support provided by the government, especially the Ministry of Communications and Multimedia, Malaysia Convention and Exhibition Bureau (MyCEB), Economic Planning Unit – Prime Minister’s Department, the National ICT Association of Malaysia (PIKOM), and the tech ecosystem to bring RISE to Malaysia. We remain in communications with the organiser.

MDEC will intensify its efforts to establish the best digital and tech ecosystem events and platform in Malaysia, such as Malaysia Tech Month, ASEAN’s biggest Digital and Tech Festival, as well as the upcoming World Congress on Information Technology (WCIT) in September 2022 to support the objectives in the Malaysia Digital Economy Blueprint (MyDIGITAL) and firmly establish Malaysia as the Heart of Digital ASEAN over the coming years.

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About Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC)

Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC) is the agency under the Ministry of Communications and Multimedia Malaysia leading the nation’s digital transformation for 25 years. We aim to enable a nation that is deeply integrated with technology, providing equitable digital opportunities to society, people and businesses.

In order to achieve this, MDEC will focus on the following four DIGITAL thrusts, **New skills, Adoption, Disruptors and Investments**. This forms the basis of our NADI Digital execution framework that will drive our core programmes for the rakyat, industry and investors. MDEC’s targets for Malaysia to become a globally competitive digital nation, anchored on inclusivity, sustainability and shared prosperity, and firmly establishing Malaysia as the Heart of Digital ASEAN.

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