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22nd July 2024

Very Urgent

- Secretary / Ministry of Technology
- Secretary / Ministry of Industry
- ✓ Secretary / Ministry of Education

Attn: Officer In-Charge Foreign Trainings

Dear Sir / Madam

**ADB: Expert-Practitioner Workshop and Indonesia Showcase: Tech Startup Ecosystem Development
From 09 – 13 September 2024, Jakarta and Bandung, Indonesia**

We are writing with reference to the latter dated 19th July 2024 received by us from the ADB Sri Lanka Resident Mission on the above.

Accordingly, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has invited nominations from the eligible Government officials for the above programme. The Programme Details are enclosed.

We would highly appreciate, if you could instruct the relevant official to submit (03) three most suitable nominations (one nomination from Ministry of Technology, one nomination from National Enterprise Development Authority and one nomination from Sri Lanka Inventors Commission) to the Department of External Resources (ERD) with the following documents;

- Nomination letter (from the relevant Ministry).
- Duly filled ERD form (Can be downloaded from www.erd.gov.lk)

Please note that, only the nominations received by ERD on or before 26th July 2024 with the line Ministry covering letter and other relevant documents as stipulated above will be processed. We would highly appreciate if the nomination is sent considering the relevancy for the programme.

We would highly appreciate if the nominations are sent considering the relevancy of the programme to your Ministry / Institution.

Your early response in this regard is highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

W.D.R. Crishantha
Director / Technical Assistance
for Director General

Copy:

- Chairman, National Enterprise Development Authority
- Commissioner, Sri Lanka Inventors Commission

Pl. send nomination from your Department with your recommendation through the relevant line Ministry.

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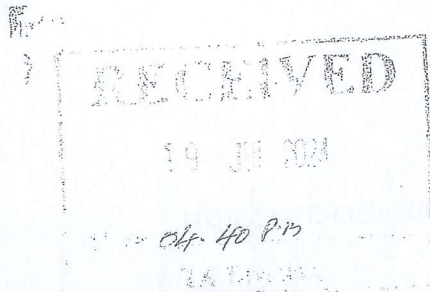
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Mr. Ajith Abeysekera
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19 July 2024

Dear Mr. Abeysekera,

Call for Nomination - Expert-Practitioner Workshop and Indonesia Showcase: Tech Startup Ecosystem Development, 9-13 September 2024, Jakarta and Bandung, Indonesia

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is pleased to invite representatives from the Government of Sri Lanka to our *Expert-Practitioner Workshop and Indonesia Showcase on Tech Startup Ecosystem Development* which will be jointly organized by ADB and Indonesia's Ministry of Communication and Information (KOMINFO) from 9 to 13 September 2024 in Jakarta and Bandung.

ADB has been working with many of its Developing Member Countries (DMCs) on the topic of Startup Ecosystem Development, supporting Governments through a range of financing modalities, providing technical and conceptual support, and conducting knowledge sharing activities.

One such activity is a series of Workshops and Events on Tech Startup Ecosystem Development which we have organized since 2019. For our upcoming edition of the workshop series in September, we will feature Indonesia's Tech Startup Ecosystem, specifically the ecosystem development and startup support efforts of the Government of Indonesia, other ecosystem enablers, as well as the ADB-funded Promoting Research and Innovation through Modern and Efficient Science and Technology Parks (PRIME STeP) project.

We plan to bring around 60 participants from nine DMC governments, accompanied by ADB staff, possibly other counterparts (ecosystem enablers). Workshop participants stand to learn from Indonesia's experience and facilitate new contacts that may result in collaboration opportunities.

In this regard, ADB would like to cordially invite the nomination of **3 officials** from the Government of Sri Lanka to the workshop. Given the relevance of its mandate, we have preliminarily identified the Ministry of Technology, National Enterprise Development Authority (NEDA), and Sri Lanka Inventors Commission (SLIC) to nominate a representative each to join the workshop (program attached for your reference). Additional material and information on the program will be shared closer to the event.

ADB will cover the expenses for airfare (on economy class), visa costs, hotel accommodation for a maximum of six nights, a daily subsistence allowance and miscellaneous travel expenses of participants.

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We would be grateful if you kindly send the list of the nominated officials to Ms. Lassie Lucky Fernando (lfernando@adb.org) by 26 July 2024. Should you require further information on the workshop, please feel free to contact either Ms. Carmela Fernando-Villamar (cvillamar@adb.org) or Ms. Lassie Lucky Fernando (lfernando@adb.org).

Sincerely,

Y. Maun for Takafumi Kadono
Country Director

Attachments: Draft agenda

Attachment:

Expert-Practitioner Workshop and Indonesia Showcase: Tech Startup Ecosystem Development 9-13 September 2024, Jakarta and Bandung, Indonesia.

Draft Agenda

	Day 1 (9 September)	Day 2 (10 September)	Day 3 (11 September)	Day 4 (12 September)	Day 5 (13 September)
	Framing, Knowledge Sharing by Experts and Visiting Delegations	Ecosystem Development, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Support	Startup Financing	University-based Entrepreneurship Support, and Startup Incubation	Wrap-up workshops
	Opening & Overview Keynote Speech (KOMINFO) Global Trends and Practices ADB Knowledge Sharing (recent knowledge products)	Introduction to the Indonesian's Digital Economy and Startup Ecosystem (Venue: MARKAS, Jakarta) Indonesia's economic development journey (BAPPENAS) Government policies, initiatives and programs (Ministry & agency reps) Key ecosystem actors and their distinctive roles (including "100 Startups," "100 VCs" PIJAR Foundation, Next Indonesia Unicorn Foundation (nexitorn), VC firm, Angel Investor, Accelerator, etc.)	Fostering the emergence of an Angel Investment and Venture Capital ecosystem Enablers and Incentives Community/Network Development International Networks (including regional and global) <i>MDI Ventures, Telcom Ventures, Mera Puith Fund</i>	Facilities, Incubation, Acceleration and Other Support Services Site Visit: Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development/ Bandung Institute for Technology (ITB) (including panel discussion with faculty and management) Site Visit: Startup HQ of eFisheries (including Dialogue with Founder)	Ideation Parallel Group Work (based on interest among participants) Topic A Topic B Topic C Topic D Presentations & Plenary Discussion Collaboration Agreement on Follow-up Actions Summary and Closing <i>Departure of DMC Participants</i>
AM	Tech Startup Ecosystem Showcase (Part 1): tentative panel composition o Australia (...) o Germany (GIZ Indonesia) o Japan (JETRO Indonesia) o Malaysia (...) o United Arab Emirates (...) Round of Introductions (among participants)	Flirside Chat: startup champion			
	Parallel Group sessions with Expert Panels Deep Dive on Financing Deep Dive on Talents, Skills & Education Deep Dive on Open Innovation	Transfer to Bandung PRIME SteP University Tour: Bandung Institute for Technology (ITB) Visit to ITB incubated startup. Innovation Marketplace (or Dinner) with local startup founders and mentors	Reflection o Identify key insights, peculiarities, uncertainties, etc. o Reflect on potentially transferable insights and ideas. o Identify on opportunities for collaboration (to be discussed the day after)	ADB Internal Workshop (ADB Staff) o Way Forward: o One ADB opportunities, action items (e.g., research, partnership development, outreach, etc.)	
PM	Overview of ADB startup ecosystem development initiatives and recap of previous workshops. Tech Startup Ecosystem Showcase (Part 2) Sharing by Visiting Delegations from ADB Developing Member Countries				