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**Singapore International Chamber of Commerce 2019 Awards:
Celebrating Collaborative Innovation**

4th annual awards honour Singapore's champions of collaborative innovation

3 April 2019 – The Singapore International Chamber of Commerce (SICC) today hosted its annual Awards Gala. Now in their fourth year, the SICC Awards celebrate, recognize and learn from Singapore's champions of collaborative innovation.

The 2019 SICC Awards were presented by Guest of Honour Mr. Chan Chun Sing, Minister for Trade and Industry, and officiated by SICC Chairman Mr. Jonathan Asherson.

About 400 guests comprising award finalists, business leaders, Chamber members, Singapore government officials and local and foreign media attended the gala dinner.

As part of the Chamber's efforts to encourage more businesses to innovate by collaborating, SICC announced the winners of the 2019 SICC Awards:

- **Best Green Collaboration**
– ***Green Campus Project - Grace Orchard School***
By Dow Chemical Pacific (Singapore) Pte Ltd & B.T. Sports Pte Ltd
- **Best Technological Collaboration**
– ***Global Production Network***
By Infineon Technologies AP Pte Ltd & E2open, LLC
- **Most Scalable Collaboration**
– ***Singapore's First Large-scale Modular MEP Project***
By Gammon Pte. Limited & Global Switch (Property) Singapore Pte Limited
- **Most Transformational Collaboration**
– ***GESS Cloud-based Solution***
By p;log Pte Ltd & German European School Singapore

[Please refer to Appendix for more details on the Winners of the 2019 SICC Awards]

The SICC Awards, open to members and non-members, provide an inclusive platform to recognize Singapore's champions of collaborative innovation. Continual innovation, or transformation, is key to the sustainability of every business and collaboration is very often the fastest way for a company to innovate. The Awards also aim to provide a learning and knowledge-sharing community for companies irrespective of sector or size.

SICC Chairman Jonathan Asherson said: "When we launched these awards in 2015, we were determined that there would be a learning component so that the key lessons from the winning collaborations could be shared with our members and friends. Last year, for the first time, we televised this learning event and will do so again this year."

SICC Chief Executive Victor Mills said: “The aim of the SICC Awards is to celebrate and recognize that whether you are a big or smaller company, the fastest way to innovate is often to collaborate with others. All the nominees and finalists for the 2019 SICC Awards provide compelling testimony to this assertion.”

Full details of the awards and this year’s finalists are available on the 2019 SICC Awards microsite www.siccawards.com.sg.

About the Singapore International Chamber of Commerce

SICC was founded in Singapore in 1837 making it the city-state’s longest serving voice of the private sector. Today, SICC is proud to be Singapore’s most inclusive Chamber and its best platform for business networking. The SICC engagement platform cuts across all potential silos of ethnicity, nationality and business sector. The Chamber represents over 600 companies, 40 nationalities and 20 business sectors. Membership is equally split between local and foreign multi-nationals and large organizations and medium, small and start-up companies. SICC’s diverse members are a truly representative slice of the Singapore business community. An independent advocate for business, SICC shares its members’ views and concerns on government policy with policymakers and politicians. The Chamber focuses on 3 main pillars: human capital, collaborative innovation and championing the circular economy. www.sicc.com.sg

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Appendix: Winners of the 2019 SICC Awards

- **Best Green Collaboration**

- ***Green Campus Project - Grace Orchard School***

- By Dow Chemical Pacific (Singapore) Pte Ltd & B.T. Sports Pte Ltd*

Dow has invented a novel water-based adhesive technology for safer use by end users. Rubberized sports surfaces where children play and use every day typically consist of rubber granules bounded together by adhesives. Conventional solvent based adhesive systems discharge large amounts of VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds) and other harmful substances during the application and in use of the rubberized surfaces.

To address this issue, Dow and BT Sports agreed to collaborate and jointly implement this new binder technology in Singapore to promote sustainable and safe rubberized sports surfaces. The joint demonstration was successfully done in Grace Orchard School in Jurong early 2018, first of its kind in Asia Pacific (outside Greater China). The collaboration led to developing formulation and application techniques that are key to ensuring successful adoption of this new adhesive technology in South East Asia weather conditions.

- **Best Technological Collaboration**

- ***Global Production Network***

- By Infineon Technologies AP Pte Ltd & E2open, LLC*

The supply chain complexity has increased exponentially in the last decades with an increasing share of outsourcing manufacturing partners. This development called for a disruptive approach to manage our future supply chain. The project team took a holistic approach by looking at current and future challenges and understanding industry trends. We selected the best approach and partner to increase our competitive advantage through this collaboration.

This collaboration introduces Global Production Network (GPN) which, according to Industry 4.0 framework, handles the horizontal integration of our Supply Chain and manufacturing network. One of the GPN goals is to provide real-time visibility of our Supply Chain from wafer start until delivery of our finished products to the customer. Another goal is to be able to control in real-time what is happening and trigger actions when blocking of material is needed.

Through this collaboration, we largely enhanced an existing platform and developed a joint roadmap which will benefit other industry players.

- **Most Scalable Collaboration**

- ***Singapore's First Large-scale Modular MEP Project***

- By Gammon Pte. Limited & Global Switch (Property) Singapore Pte Limited*

The Global Switch Woodlands Data Centre project is the first project in Singapore to adopt prefabricated mechanical and electrical and plumbing (MEP) modular construction on a large scale (where over 60% of the MEP works were done off-site). This modularisation and offsite fabrication method aligns with the Singapore government's objective to transform the built environment sector through significant increase in off-site design for manufacture and assembly supply capabilities. As a part of this collaboration/project, Gammon carried out the offsite modular works by setting up Singapore's first MEP modular factory in Tuas.

- **Most Transformational Collaboration**
- GESS Cloud-based Solution

By p;log Pte Ltd & German European School Singapore

German European School Singapore (GESS) is an international school, self-funded and seeking for an online platform that could manage production of campus-related items. p;log Pte Ltd collaborated with GESS to set up a cloud-based solution that includes a branded storefront with built-in approval process and printshop feature.

With nil capital investment, they enjoyed a higher return of investments by automating a system to handle external and internal print management solution which includes essential small orders that is time-consuming and cost staff of efficiency and productivity. On one integrated platform, unlimited users from various departments could self-signed up and order marketing collaterals, apparels, stationeries and even teaching materials within minutes. This fully end-to-end automated solution has benefited the school and has potential to be replicated, customized and scaled up within the same educational institutions and/or across industries.

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