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Bismillahirrahmanirahim.

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Taala Wabarakatuh
Salam Sejahtera, Salam Satu Malaysia

Salam Melaka Maju Negeriku Sayang, Negeri Bandar Teknologi Hijau,
Melaka 753 tahun, Melaka Maju Fasa 2, Berkat, Cepat, Tepat.

Yang Berhormat, Dato' Seri Idris bin Jusoh
Minister of Education II

Yang Berbahagia Dato' Roh Jae Yeol
Director of Corporate Affairs, Samsung Malaysia Electronics

Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Seri Ir. Dr. Idris bin Haji Haron
The Chief of Minister of Melaka

Yang Berbahagia Dato' Seri Ir. Dr. Zaini Ujang
Secretary General II, Ministry of Education

Yang Berbahagia Dato' Profesor Dr. Asma binti Ismail
Director General of Higher Education in the Ministry of Education

Officers from Ministry of Education Malaysia, Melaka States Government
and Samsung Malaysia Electronics,

Guests, Media, Ladies and Gentleman.

1. Alhamdulillah praise be to the Creator, Allah SWT the Almighty, Most Gracious, Most Merciful for His blessings, has enable all of us to be gathered here for the Officiating Ceremony of the Samsung IoT Academy.
2. On behalf of Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka, I would like to extend my warmest welcome to Yang Berhormat Dato' Seri Idris bin Jusoh, Ministry of Education II, Yang Berbahagia Dato' Roh Jar Yeol, Director of Corporate Affairs, Samsung Malaysia Electronics and Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Seri Ir. Dr. Idris bin Haji Haron, The Chief Minister of Melaka to Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM). We are deeply honored and delighted to receive the presence of our eminent guest to UTeM Technology Campus for today's auspicious ceremony.

“UTeM e osin geos-eul hwan-yeonghabnida”

3. First of all, I am very honoured to be given this opportunity to deliver the opening address in conjunction with the inaugural launch Samsung IoT Academy – **the first training academy in the Southeast Asia**. This meaningful event has marked yet another milestone for the university’s resolution to strengthen the linkages with entrenched industry and may this achievement set an impetus for many more similar successes in the future.

Y.A.B. Dato’ Sri, Ladies & Gentlemen,

4. As a focused university, UTeM aspires to pioneer in the development of sustainable solutions and state of the art technologies for the future needs of industry and society. The strategic approach towards research and innovation for the period of 2016-2020 is aimed at generating wealth and values from the development in engineering and technology and through the nation's rigorous economic activities.
5. UTeM has set eight strategic objectives in the Strategic Plan 2012-2020 encompassing significant aspects in academic and staff development, research and development, facilities and students well-being, international collaboration and revenue generation. As for research and innovation, the areas of science and technology are the central to success of UTeM. These two elements are the university's vital resources and

strategic investments for human capital development and capacity building. UTeM has to equip itself to be technologically and intellectually advanced in meeting and support the national aspiration of becoming a developed country by the year 2020.

6. The domination in advanced technology is not possible to be achieved without support from the various parties principally from the industry. At present, UTeM has implemented proactive collaboration with the industry especially amongst Small and Medium Industries (SMI), the company Stakeholders (GLC), Multinational Corporations (MNC), Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities to create strategic network for academia-industry relationship. UTeM also focuses on several main agenda which involved action

strategies in the higher education sector in implementing “business unusual” in order to boost industry involvement in academia. Through these strong partnerships, UTeM students and surrounding communities are equipped with adequate industry-ready skill to be implemented in a highly competitive market environment.

Ladies & Gentlemen,

7. Pada hari ini, UTeM sekali lagi mencipta sejarah apabila Samsung Malaysia Electronics bersetuju untuk membangunkan Samsung IoT Academy yang bakal dirasmikan oleh Menteri Pendidikan II sebentar lagi. The Internet of Things (IoT) is becoming an increasingly growing

topic of conversation both in the workplace and outside of it. It's a concept that not only has the potential to impact how we live but also how we work. IoT is a computing concept that describes a future where every day physical objects will be connected to the Internet and be able to identify themselves to other devices.

8. Through the development of Samsung IoT Academy, it will be a crucial center that play the role of academia expert as the forefront on Internet of Things which in line with Malaysia Education Blueprint 2013-2025 in leveraging ICT to scale up quality learning, as well as paving the way for technologically advancements and innovations.

9. Furthermore, the academy will enrich the roles of UTeM as a technical university as the university will be a nucleus in hosting students from other higher education institution especially among Malaysia Technical Universities; Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP), Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM) and Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) to fully utilize the course modules conducted by the academy which focusing in the latest operating and hardware systems. The training at the academy will be conducted by the well-trained and highly-skilled trainers to provide tremendous experiences and opportunities for both lecturers and students in nurturing their growth and potential.
10. I believe that this academy is aimed to be a successful model for academia and industry relation under the signature

program of the Ministry of Education named Industry Centre of Excellence (ICoE) in preparing and creating the oven-ready/industry-ready students for employment. I am strongly confident that both parties are committed to share the knowledge and information that are needed to enhance the students/graduates' marketability through a value added training and upskilling program which will provide students with the knowledge and technical skill sets required by industry.

11. Besides, the academy will gain special attention from education institutions, industries, society, and students from all level of studies hence it could be recognized as one stop center for training in the respective field. This will complete one of UTeM's missions of generating development through

smart partne[rship with the community and industry, as well as supporting towards realizing UTeM's vision of becoming world's leading innovative and creative technical universities.

12. On behalf of the university, I am greatly appreciated and special thanks to Samsung Malaysia Electronic for your preference towards UTeM in establishing the IoT Academy. I believe you have put high commitment in making this academy a reality and may your effort will be duly rewarded by Allah swt,

Y.A.B Tan Sri, Ladies & Gentlemen,

13. Before I end, I would like to once again extend my gratitude to Yang Berhormat Dato' Seri Idris bin Jusoh, Minister of Education II, for his kind presence. My sincere thanks to The Chief Ministry of Melaka for the endless support to UTeM. I hope this noble initiative and contribution will be a catalyst to many more of such nature in the future.

“gamsahabnida dasi bogi”

Sekian wabillahi taufiq wal hidayah, wassalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.