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MOU SIGNING AND CLOSING CEREMONY OF
INFINEON WEEK@UTeM 2016

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Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Taala Wabarakatuh

Salam Melaka Maju Negeriku Sayang, Negeri Bandar Teknologi Hijau,
Melaka 754 tahun, Melaka Maju Fasa 2, Berkat, Tepat, Cepat.

Bismillahir rahmanir rahim.

Assalamualaikum warahmatullah and good afternoon

Yang Berbahagia Mr. Lee Cheong Chee

President & Managing Director

Infineon Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.

Yang Berbahagia Profesor Datuk Dr. Muhd Razali bin Muhamad

Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic & International)

Yang Berbahagia Prof. Dr. Mohd Jailani Bin Mohd Nor

Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research and Innovation)

Yang Berbahagia Prof. Dr. Izaidin bin Abdul Majid

Deputy Vice Chancellor (Student Affairs)

Yang Berbahagia Prof. Dr. Mohd Ridzuan Bin Nordin

Assistant Vice Chancellor (Industry and Community Network)

Yang Berbahagia Prof. Datuk Dr. Zolkepli bin Buang

Assistant Vice Chancellor (Development & Facility Management)

Senior Management of UTeM, Distinguished Guests from Infineon, members of the organizing committee, judges, participants, students, ladies and gentlemen,

1. Alhamdulillah, first and foremost, I would like to extend my gratitude to Allah SWT for His Blessings and Mercy has enabled us to gather here today for this auspicious and important event, the **CLOSING CEREMONY OF INFINEON WEEK 2016 at UTeM.**
2. I would like to extend my gratitude to Infineon Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. for their continuous and steadfast support to UTeM, thus further strengthening the strategic partnership and collaboration between UTeM and Infineon.

Ladies and gentlemen,

3. UTeM-Infineon Week over the last three days has certainly been a strategic avenue to strengthen the relationship between UTeM and our industrial partner, Infineon Technologies (M) Sdn. Bhd. Through this programme, UTeM students were given the opportunity to participate in various programmes such as factory visit to Infineon Batu Berendam, Career Talk and today we have UTeM-Infineon Final Year Project Poster and Product Competition running concurrently with Engineering Booster-X Programme Job Interview.
4. Infineon Week@UTeM is an annual programme co-organized by UTeM and Infineon since 2013 with the support of Industry-Centre of Excellence Programme (I-CoE) under the Ministry of Higher Education Malaysia. It marks the continuous joint effort between the university

and private sector in further reinforcing the existing academia-industry partnership. Way back in January 2011, UTeM and Infineon signed a MoU to strengthen academia-industry partnership and further enhanced partnership with the establishment of UTeM-Infineon Industry-Centre of Excellence in December 2011.

5. Today, UTeM and Infineon marks the continuous collaboration through the re-activation of MoU for another three years until year 2019 which will definitely benefit both parties in areas of sharing expertise, sharing of research facilities, joint technical information exchange, technology transfer, joint technology development, training and many more.

Ladies & Gentlemen,

6. The establishment of UTeM-Infineon I-CoE programme has paved the way to various activities such as internship, final year undergraduate projects, postgraduate projects, off-shore programmes, research and technical talks, High-End Industry Graduate Internship Programme (HEIGIP), UTeM-Infineon IT Competition in 2012 and more. UTeM is very fortunate to be given the opportunity to synergize with Infineon, a leading manufacturing company which provides semiconductor and system solutions especially Infineon Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. in Melaka as one of the largest semiconductor manufacturing sites of Infineon.

7. Apart from this, UTeM is so honored with the appointment of Mr. Lee Cheong Chee as the CeO Faculty@UTeM and also as the Adjunct Professor at the Faculty of Manufacturing Engineering since year 2015. I believe this is the best platform for Mr. Lee to share his knowledge and experiences through various structured programmes conducted such as CeO Talk, Knowledge Sharing session, and Teaching session.
8. Throughout the years, UTeM has worked very closely with Infineon in producing a pool of highly-skilled and talented workforce for our nation. For instance, UTeM is assisting Infineon in their Engineering Booster X (EBX) Program and fresh graduate talent pipeline

program. In year 2014, Infineon has recruited 23 UTeM graduates in the EBX Program, while in last year's programme, Infineon accepted 22 UTeM graduates (nearly half) out of 50 candidates. I would like to thank Infineon for this opportunity and for 2016, Infineon has already shortlisted 45 students for this programme.

9. To sum it all, UTeM-Infineon Final Year Project Poster and Product Competition has received encouraging response from the students in which more than 40 participants exhibited and presented their work based on their final year projects in line with the theme of competition: 'Safer, Easier & Greener'. This competition has created a good platform for UTeM students to showcase their innovative solutions to produce safer, easier and greener environment for our

society today. For this year, a total of 16 prizes will be given away for 2 categories i.e. Engineering Category and Technology Category.

Ladies & Gentlemen,

10. At this juncture, I would also like to thank the committee especially Office of Assistant Vice Chancellor (Industry and Community Network) of whom has rendered much assistance in ensuring the smooth preparation of this Infineon Week. My appreciation also goes to **Infineon and I-CoE** for their commitment and support throughout the programme and I hope that this impactful and strategic collaboration continues and eventually grows into many more mutually beneficial initiatives in the future, Insya Allah.

11. On that note, it gives me great pleasure to officially close the UTeM-Infineon Week 2016.

Thank You. Wabillahi taufiq wal hidayah, wassalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.