GOLDEN BULL AWARD CELEBRATES 15TH YEAR - Malaysia's premier award for SMEs celebrates entrepreneurial achievements

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KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia, July 31, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- A total of 86 companies were announced as winners of the Golden Bull Award 2017 as the award celebrates its 15th year. The Golden Bull Award was first organised in 2003, and has previously been presented by senior members of the cabinet, including Prime Minister Dato' Sri Najib Tun Razak. The award is organised by Business Media International and Sphere Exhibits.



86 companies been awarded Golden Bull Award 2017 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 27th July.

Winners are selected by a panel of judges led by HELP University's Vice Chancellor, Datuk Dr Paul Chan, based on a basket of qualitative and quantitatie criteria. Baker Tilly Monteiro Heng is the award's official auditor, while financial data is provided by Credit Bureau Malaysia.

Dato' William Ng, organising chairman of the Golden Bull Award says, "the market and economic environment have changed over the past 15 years. Today's market is much more complex and multi-faceted than it was in 2003. This makes entrepreneurship, and running a business, far more challenging than it was 15 years ago".

"Many Malaysian companies are still trapped in the mindset of the past decade; where numbers and practices are shrouded in secrecy to stop others from emulating them. However, in today's business environment, there are no more trade secrets. Even the best-kept food recipes are publicly available on the internet. As such, our competitive advantage as a business can no longer be our know-how. The only way we can fail-proof our business is to be good in planning, and be even better in executing," says Ng.

In the period between 2011 and 2015, SME grew at average annual rate of 6.7%, outperforming the overall average growth of the economy of 5.3%. This shows that SMEs remain an engine of growth for the country.

The Golden Bull Award 2017 was presented to the winners by Datuk Seri Mah Siew Keong, Minister of Plantation Industries and Commodities. A total of 3 different categories were open for competition including the Emerging SMEs, the Outstanding SMEs and the Super Golden Bull, categorised respectively according to annual turnover. A record breaking 417 nominees participated in total with 86 enterprises claiming the title of winners.

Mah calls on SMEs to constantly evaluate the company's capability, and its ability to withstand unexpected setbacks in order to build companies that can withstand challenges.

Mah added, "Malaysia's achievements over the past 60 years are the result of efforts of Malaysians of all races. I hope that entrepreneurs and business leaders will continue to lead by example in promoting racial harmony so that the country will continue to grow for many more years."

Also present at the award presentation was Dr. Mohd Shahreen Zainooreen Madros, CEO of MATRADE, Datuk Dr Chua Yew Sin, deputy secretary general of Federation of Chinese Associations of Malaysia, Rizal Nainy, deputy CEO of SME Corporation, Koay Chiew Guan, president of Small and Medium Enterprises Association of Malaysia and Chua Wee Phong, chairman of Sphere Exhibits and executive vice president of Singapore Press Holdings.

The award is sponsored by EcoWorld and Isuzu.

Some words from the winners:

"By hard work & being focused" - Menta Construction Sdn Bhd

"Life is too short to be serious... Let's eat!!!" - Atfah Sdn Bhd, Founder, Mr. Derick Yap Hong Liang.

"Success comes not to those with the biggest and brightest brains but to those who work hard and don't give up." - Virgin Greens X Sdn Bhd, CEO, Mr. Eric Chung Chi Kong.

"One should not be afraid to fail. Never give up, just do it!" - Secret Recipe Holdings Sdn Bhd, Group President, CEO, Dato' Steven Sim Leong Thun.

"I am proud of who we are and what we do at Kah Hong. It is an honored to be recognized as top 100 outstanding SMEs company from Golden Bull Awards' distinguished panel of experts, and these honors are great barometer of how our contribution is being received by businesses of all shapes and sizes." - Kah Hong Precision Tooling Sdn Bhd, Executive Director, Datin Eloise See Hui Pyng.

"Do not wait for opportunity to come, create them instead" - Crynx Group Sdn Bhd, CEO, Rueben Lee.

"We believe that credibility and trustworthiness are to be earned. To be a preferred and responsible builder in the country, we are committed to provide excellent products and services to our clients and continuously create sustainable value to our stakeholders" - Pesona Metro Sdn Bhd, Managing Director, Wie Hock Beng.

"BE WATER BE FUTURE" - BEWG (M) Sdn Bhd, CEO, Datuk Vence Ong Kian Min.

"Every little things count is the key to success" - Solutionpack Machinery (M) Sdn Bhd, General Manager, Charles Goh Sim Yew.

"It's tough to startup a business; It is even tougher to maintain a business; And the toughest is to grow the business successfully. To ensure the business everlasting, ones shall require to work conscientiously with passion, enthusiasm and never forget the objective of starting the business." - Goldsoft Sdn Bhd, Managing Director, Mr. Stephen Lim Choon San.

"Winners never quit!" - Rico Food Industries Sdn Bhd, Managing Director, Mr. Alex Chee Lye Huat.

"Your Partner In Protection" - WRP Asia Pacific Sdn Bhd, CEO, Dato' Lee Son Hong.

LIST OF RECIPIENTS OF GOLDEN BULL AWARD 2017

SUPER GOLDEN BULL

BEWG (M) Sdn Bhd
Cergas Murni Sdn Bhd
EG Industries Berhad
Menta Construction Sdn Bhd
Pesona Metro Sdn Bhd
Secret Recipe Holdings Sdn Bhd
Thai Hong Chan (KI) Sdn Bhd
UMLand Seri Austin (Dynasty View Sdn Bhd)
Virgin Greens X Sdn Bhd
WRP Asia Pacific Sdn Bhd
YHI Manufacturing (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd

OUTSTANDING SMES

Advanced Healthcare Products Sdn Bhd

Advanced Medical Products Sdn Bhd

Aero Line Services Sdn Bhd

Ambitious Infinite Resources Sdn Bhd

Artha Logistics Sdn Bhd

Asia Green Construction Sdn Bhd

Atfah Sdn Bhd

Beaute Mori Sdn Bhd

Best-Beteck Furniture Sdn Bhd

Bikasa Jitu Sdn Bhd

Bitdefender Malaysia

BMStar Technology Sdn Bhd

Chang Jiang International Sdn Bhd

Cortex Imaging Sdn Bhd

Crynx Group Sdn Bhd

Dexon Electrical Engineering Sdn Bhd

Doka Formwork Malaysia Sdn Bhd

Dream Technology System Sdn Bhd

Ecomate Sdn Bhd

Electrical Components Sdn Bhd

Exclusive Networks Malaysia Sdn Bhd

Fabulous Sunview Sdn Bhd

Fathopes Energy Sdn Bhd

Gamma Wood Sdn Bhd

Genius Promenade Sdn Bhd

GO Communications Sdn Bhd

Goldsoft Sdn Bhd

Hernan Corporation Sdn Bhd

I.S.A. Technologies Sdn Bhd

Industri Makanan Jati Sdn Bhd

I-WAN Media Sdn Bhd

IX Telecom Sdn Bhd

Jesin Development Sdn Bhd

JP Nutritional Biotechnology Sdn Bhd

Kah Hong Precision Tooling Sdn Bhd

Keko Manufacturing (M) Sdn Bhd

KGW Logistics (M) Sdn Bhd

Kids Planet Education Sdn Bhd

Kong Cheong Food Industries Sdn Bhd

L&A Feeder Engineering

Layang Food Sdn Bhd

LeBLANC Sdn Bhd

Letromec Industries (Kuala Lumpur) Sdn Bhd

Maestro Laboratories Sdn Bhd

Mag Builders Sdn Bhd

Mattan Engineering Sdn Bhd

Multiample Construction Sdn Bhd

Oiltek Sdn Bhd

Print Expert Sdn Bhd Proguard Technologies (M) Sdn Bhd Reka Setia Industries Sdn Bhd Rich Art Print & Pack Sdn Bhd Rico Food Industries Sdn Bhd SCP Automation (M) Sdn Bhd SF Furniture Sdn Bhd Sledgehammer Communications (M) Sdn Bhd Solutionpack Machinery (M) Sdn Bhd Spind Malaysia Sdn Bhd Strong Force (M) Sdn Bhd Telestructure Industries Sdn Bhd The Flower Tea Shop Sdn Bhd TKL Gallery Group Sdn Bhd Wah Ha Children Products Sdn Bhd Wansern Technology Sdn Bhd Wintech Metal Processing Sdn Bhd Woody Furniture Manufacturer Sdn Bhd Yu Wah Steel (M) Trading Sdn Bhd

EMERGING SMES

Creativo United Sdn Bhd
Elepoint Solutions Sdn Bhd
Getright Malaysia Sdn Bhd
LMF International Language Academy Sdn Bhd
The House Of Taste Sdn Bhd
True Academy (M) Sdn Bhd
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