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IMGA HONORS MOBILE GAME DEVELOPERS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

The longest standing mobile game awards program announces the winners of their first edition in Southeast Asia, 11 developers featured

Kuala Lumpur, November 8, 2016 – The International Mobile Gaming Awards today announced the winners of the first IMGA SEA in Kuala Lumpur. After two days of intense playing and debating, the jury of experts selected 13 prizes for the IMGA's first edition in Southeast Asia.

"This was an amazing journey," said Maarten Noyons, Founder of the IMGA. "In this region, we found amazing creativity and world-class skills. There are young teams here with a bright future ahead. These winners represent the best of the best in Southeast Asia today, with mobile games that are ready to be discovered by players worldwide."

The IMGA SEA ceremony was held during the Level Up KL 2016 conference, and organized in partnership with MDEC, Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation. Southeast Asia's top mobile gaming talent was in attendance, both at the ceremony and the exclusive party that followed hosted by the Emcee Shing Queen.

"We're excited to see such wonderful representation from the Southeast Asian games industry, with so many amazing games," added Hasnul Hadi Samsudin, Director of Creative Content & Technologies Division at MDEC. "The breadth of genres and stories to be found within these games is huge and unique. MDEC is grateful that a partner like IMGA has helped to unearth the best of the best from Southeast Asia. We're excited to have everyone know these winners and experience their games."

And the winners are...

Jury's Honorable Mention: Sara is missing, Jeremy Ooi, Malaysia

Excellence in Innovation: Dark Dot, Inzen Studio, Singapore

Best Multiplayer Game: Legends of Callasia, Boomzap Entertainment, Philippines

Best Quickplay Game: Super SteamPuff, Weyrdworks, Malaysia

Guilty Pleasure: Tahu Bulat, Own Games, Indonesia

Best Meaningful Play: ChemCaper, ACE Ed-Venture Studio Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia

Excellence in Gameplay: Legends of Callasia, Boomzap Entertainment, Philippines

Excellence in Storytelling: Opus: The day we found earth, SIGONO INC., Taiwan

Best Technical Achievement: The World 3: Rise of Demon, Good net technology co. Ltd, Taiwan

Excellence in Audio: Lanota, Noxy Games Inc., Taiwan

Excellence in Visual Art & Design: Eraser: Deadline Nightmare, Hiker Games, Vietnam

Best Upcoming Game: Sara is missing, Jeremy Ooi, Malaysia

People's Choice Award: Sky Garden: Farm in Paradise, VNG GAME STUDIOS, Vietnam

The winner of the public voting has also been revealed: Sky Garden: Farm in Paradise, VNG GAME STUDIOS, Vietnam won the People's Choice Award after two months of voting, and more than 1000 votes.

About IMGA

The IMGA is the longest standing mobile games award program started in 2004. With its long history and unique judging process, it has recognized some of the world's most popular titles in their early days, such as Candy Crush Saga and Clash of Clans. It is the only competition that unites the industry by celebrating excellence and innovation in games.

For full details about the competition's terms and conditions, visit sea.imgawards.com or call: +33 491 315 217. You can also follow the IMGA on Twitter or Facebook.

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About Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC)

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In 2011, MDEC's mandate was broadened by the Prime Minister to include driving Malaysia's transition towards a developed digital economy by 2020 through Digital Malaysia. In 2012, Digital Malaysia was officially unveiled as the nation's transformational programme to achieve this aim. Digital Malaysia is the national agenda towards a sustainable digital economy built upon a vibrant domestic ICT industry, transformative use of digital solutions by government, businesses and citizens, as well as a robust enabling ecosystem.

Today, both MSC Malaysia and Digital Malaysia run concurrently to spur Malaysia's ICT industry development and digital transformation, under the purview of MDEC.

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