Welcome Remarks by AiSP President Mr Tony Low at The Cybersecurity Awards 2024 & Gala Dinner, 7 November 2024, 7.05 PM

1. Good Evening

   a. AiSP Patron and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information & Ministry of National Development, Mr Tan Kiat How

   b. AiSP Advisory Chair, Commissioner of Cybersecurity and Chief Executive of the Cyber Security Agency (CSA) of Singapore, Mr David Koh

   c. Chief Executive of GovTech, Mr Goh Wei Boon

   d. Chief Executive of JTC Corporation, Mr Tan Boon Khai

   e. Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen

2. Welcome to the Cybersecurity Awards 2024.

3. Firstly, I would like to thank SMS Tan for taking time to grace this event.

4. This is my first time hosting all of you here as AiSP President and it is my pleasure to welcome all of you here this evening to The Cybersecurity Awards and Gala Dinner 2024!

5. The Cybersecurity Awards (TCA) 2024 marks its seventh year, and this year for the Leader category, we have seen some nominees from diverse industries, not just within the traditional

cybersecurity sector but in their respective fields of Cybersecurity, Healthcare, and Academia. As Cybersecurity is still an evolving discipline, these outstanding individuals have demonstrated dedication and passion for keeping up with the demands to upskill their own crafts. They have not forgotten the need to lead by example and bring the community along the way. Their commitment to mentoring aspiring individuals and guiding seasoned professionals is truly inspiring, motivating others to follow in their footsteps and reach new heights in their careers.

6. As I look at the nominations, I am reminded of just how vast and evolving the cybersecurity field is. Their contributions remind us that cybersecurity is not just about technology; it's also about the people —the professionals who lead the charge, innovate, and inspire future generations to continue this critical work. These individuals and companies have made a lasting impact on their organizations and also advanced the entire cybersecurity ecosystem, making our world a safer place.

7. The 2024 Cybersecurity Awards was only made possible through the continual strong public-private-academic partnerships between AiSP, the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore, the supporting organisations, the sponsors as well as many students,

professionals and enterprises that have put themselves forward to be nominated for the awards showing our ecosystem resilience.

8. Thus, I would like to take this opportunity to firstly thank all our sponsors in no particular order:

- Cisco

- Huawei

- ST Engineering

- Beyond Trust

- DBS Bank

- Ensign Infosecurity

- Grab

- SANS Institute

- Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT)

- Trend Micro

- Wissen International and

- Wizlynx Group

Your support has been instrumental in making tonight's event possible and in driving our shared mission to strengthen the cybersecurity community. Thank you for your efforts in encouraging and commending individuals and organizations who have fuelled the growth and success of the cyber industry. We couldn't have done this without you.

9. Not forgetting to mention the close collaboration from the supporting agencies and associations who forms the pillar of the judging committee and taking time to sit through the various rounds of judging with our very competitive nomination. Their job is a very difficult one:

    a. Center for Strategic Cyberspace & International Studies
    b. Cloud Security Alliance Singapore Chapter
    c. ISACA Singapore Chapter
    d. (ISC)^2 Singapore Chapter
    e. OT-ISAC
    f. Singapore Computer Society
    g. SGTech
    h. The Law Society of Singapore
    i. And, most importantly the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore and the judges from each association who have given up their precious time to review and judge the nominations. Please give them a round of applause!

10. With that, please enjoy the rest of the night, the wonderful dinner ahead, and the networking with fellow peers! Thank you and have a good evening!