

**SPEECH BY MR ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM, CHAIRMAN OF AMP GROUP AT THE LAUNCH OF AMPX ON WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH 2019 AT 5.00 PM AT AMP AUDITORIUM**

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Distinguished guests

Ladies and gentlemen

A very good afternoon to all of you.

1. Thank you for joining us today at the launch of AMP's latest initiative, AMPx.
2. Our former Chairman, Mr Abdul Hamid Abdullah first mooted the idea of an AMP Academy where there can be sharing of best practices and ideas on corporate governance and internal capacity building. This then morphed into a series of empowering training and networking platforms under the auspices of AMP. This would be led by the professionals already in our community; a giving back of knowledge, a sharing of experience and resources.
3. We are in a privileged position to share the knowledge and expertise that we have accumulated in the work that we do to help others in the community. We do this by leveraging on new technology, embarking on new initiatives to help the underprivileged, tapping on our networks to create new opportunities for them, or just simply simple as contributing our time to the cause.
4. This is where AMPx comes in. When we piloted this initiative in 2018, we focused on four key areas – idea generation, networking, incubation of community start-ups and training.

5. Led by our newly minted Community Engagement unit set up in 2017, AMP aims to serve the community by creating an ecosystem of learning and sharing of best practices through AMPx. AMPx will house our various outreach and networking initiatives under Community Engagement like #OOTB CommaCon and Kopi With series.
6. AMPx offers intellectual capacity development of professionals and community leaders through governance and leadership training, networking sessions among professionals in service for the community, platforms for exchange of ideas, views, insights and experiences among professionals and community leaders, as well as inputs for policy makers.
7. Moving forward, our long-term goal is to build a dynamic community of professionals who are invested in uplifting the community and one another in their own unique ways.
8. I hope that this new initiative will bring the community to new heights. We look forward to your active participation and support towards the various platforms under AMPx.

Thank you.

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