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KIASULAB'S EVENT SERIES – FOUNDERS' STORIES

On 21 July 2017, KiasuLab, the co-working business arm of K-One presented 3 young and successful technopreneurs to bare and share the secret ingredients to their success. These young technopreneurs are Mr. Tan Eng Tong, Ms Koh Shuk Huay and En. Haziq Faris.

Mr. Tan Eng Tong, Co-Founder established Cytron Technologies (Cytron) in 2004. With the noble aspiration of inspiring and nurturing the younger generation to become technology leaders of the future, Cytron developed a user friendly robotic kit, the Rero, which was launched in 2015 as ASEAN's first educational robotic kit.



Eng Tong (left) and his K-One buddy, Raymond

Eng Tong's advice to fledgling startups was: "get a good team who is supportive, no matter what and who can work together through the ups and downs in pursuing our dreams and be creative in problem-solving".

En. Haziq Faris is the CEO of REKA Axis LLP and a co-founder of both REKA Studios and REKA Axis. He also serves on the Board of REKA Axis LLP. An ex-Gogler prior to forming REKA, Haziq has more than 10 years of coding/hacking experience. In his earlier days, he was a specialist in penetration testing and security auditing.



Haziq (middle) in his usual big smile

Haziq is passionate in using locally developed technology by local talents to play an active role in being a provider of IoT solutions. At the same time, he is actively involved in promoting technology education to schools, universities and the general public.

Ms Koh Shuk Huay is the Co-Founder and COO of Ocean Nexus. Leading a team of millennials, Ocean Nexus aspires to re-model the IT industry with transformative business applications that will elevate the standards of software and IT to the next level.

Shuk Huay's advice to startups was: "position yourself in the market, meet the right people, have a strong team, and sell quality product – don't fight for price war". She added that Ocean Nexus has been very strict in being focused which sets them apart from others.



Shuk Huay seriously engaging an attentive audience



Networking session after event with young startups



K-One's Chairman, Edwin Lim (left) trying to blend in