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RADIOLOGY ASIA ANNOUNCES 2018 EDITION ON BACK OF STRONG SUPPORT FROM REGIONAL RADIOLOGY COMMUNITY

• 3rd edition of RadiologyAsia builds on success of 2017 event which drew 1,357 attendees, a huge growth of 77% over the 1st edition in 2015
• 2018 event will outline the future of radiology – delving into artificial intelligence, machine learning and deep learning
• Minister for Health, Mr. Gan Kim Yong, the event’s Guest-of-Honour for the first time, will share his thoughts on the role of Radiology in the healthcare of today and the potential of informatics and innovation in the future

Singapore, 3 May 2018 – RadiologyAsia 2018, which will be held in conjunction with the 3rd Singapore Congress of Radiology and the 27th Annual Scientific Meeting of the College of Radiologists, Singapore (CRS) and Singapore Radiological Society (SRS), will return to the MAX Atria @ Singapore EXPO from 11 to 13 May 2018. Hitherto a biennial conference and exhibition, it will now be held annually due to sterling support and enthusiastic response from local and regional attendees to previous editions.

Jointly organised by SingEx Exhibitions, SRS and CRS, RadiologyAsia 2018 will set the stage for the exchange of knowledge and expertise among medical imaging professionals, healthcare providers, medical academics, equipment manufacturers and scientist communities in the field of radiology.

As the region’s premier radiology conference and exhibition, this year’s event will feature a conference programme comprising four varied tracks (please refer to Annex A for Conference topics), six interactive workshops and 100 internationally renowned speakers from the regional Radiology community including, Assoc. Prof. Ronnie Ptaszik, Chief Medical Information Officer, Monash Health, Australia and Dr. Tan Min Han, founder and CEO of Lucence Diagnostics, Singapore. In addition, over 40 leading manufacturers and solution providers will exhibit the latest and most relevant medical technologies and equipment.

The organising committee, chaired by Dr. Steven Wong, Head of the Department of Radiology, of Sengkang General Hospital, has played a major role in ensuring relevance and upholding the educational integrity of RadiologyAsia’s conference, themed “Beyond the ABCs of Radiology.

“We are committed to develop RadiologyAsia 2018 into a knowledge and thought leadership platform, to enable healthcare professionals in the imaging and informatics field to hone their technical skills, learn about the latest technologies and refresh themselves on the available industry solutions,” said Dr. Wong.

“Dedicated conference tracks will discuss the latest developments in the field of diagnostic imaging. In a first of its kind in the region, equal emphasis will be placed on the domain of imaging informatics, innovation and the evolution of applied and augmented radiology. Updates on radiography and radiology nursing will also provide
the backdrop for meaningful professional discussions. In addition, we have tailored new workshops with the Asian Society of Abdominal Radiology (ASAR) and the Medical Ultrasound Society Singapore (MUSS) to better equip delegates with relevant skillsets,” Dr. Wong added.

Following the theme “Beyond the ABCs of Radiology”, RadiologyAsia 2018 is anchored on the essential practice of knowledge renewal and reinvigoration in the fields of Abdominal, Breast and Chest Imaging. Based on feedback and the overwhelming response to previous editions, the scope of the scientific programme this year will be expanded to meet the needs of radiology as well as allied health professionals.

Mr. Ian Wu, Cluster Director, Healthcare and Automotive & Commodities, SingEx Exhibitions, said: “This unifying platform for all within the field of radiology in the Asia-Pacific region offers delegates affordable and easy access to a full spectrum of international and neutral imaging content, while enabling greater interaction and collaboration. This year, we expect some 1,000 regional attendees and stronger international representation among exhibitors. With unprecedented support from the regional Radiology community, we are delighted that RadiologyAsia has become an annual event for the 2018 edition.”

The Future of Radiology Augmented by Digital Disruption

Artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning and deep learning are now playing integral roles in the healthcare sector. Aiming to strengthen medical imaging and diagnostic processes through collaboration, radiology practitioners and academia are seeking to harness the strengths of AI technologies and deep learning techniques and apply them in real time in clinical settings.

Frost & Sullivan reports that with the operationalisation of AI platforms across medical imaging workflows, a 10 to 15 per cent gain in productivity is expected through the augmentation of the work of radiologists and improving screening outcomes1. Medical imaging and diagnosis is also forecast to witness more than 40 per cent growth, surpassing US$2.5 billion by 20242.

Having in mind the immense potential of the industry, the event serves to spearhead discussions to promote professional excellence and technological adoptions through an all-encompassing conference and exhibition. A wide range of topics will be covered at the conference, including AI in Radiology. To encourage learning, delegates will be able to customise the conference programme. Exhibitors from more than 40 leading international companies and high potential start-ups will be on the show floor, giving visitors access to a vast array of medical solutions and technology. A Singapore Pavilion showcasing the best local AI and imaging-related technologies will be a unique feature on the trade exhibit floor. More information on the conference and exhibition may be found in Annex A

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1 Source: Frost & Sullivan, Jan 2018
2 Source: Global Marker Insights, May 2017
About RadiologyAsia 2018

RadiologyAsia 2018 brings together the medical imaging, informatics and clinical practice communities in Asia, showcasing an elite scientific meeting that delivers the latest academic research alongside an exhibition which presents state-of-the-art technology for use in Radiology.

For more information, log on to www.radiologyasia.com.

About SingEx Exhibitions

SingEx Exhibitions is a subsidiary of SingEx Holdings, which is wholly owned by Temasek Holdings, Singapore’s investment company. SingEx Exhibitions harnesses insights and its strategic networks to organise and manage a series of trade exhibitions and conferences in various industries, including automotive, education, environment, e-commerce and logistics, technology, healthcare and lifestyle. These events aim to connect businesses in Asia and globally, and facilitate business matching with opportunities along with knowledge sharing.

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About College of Radiologists, Singapore

The College of Radiologists Singapore was incorporated on 17 August 2004. The principal activities of the College are to advance the art and science of radiology and nuclear medicine and its subspecialties, promote study and research into medical and scientific problems, to sustain and foster postgraduate education and conduct higher professional examinations and to award diplomas.

For more information, log on to http://ams.edu.sg/colleges/CRS/home.

About Singapore Radiological Society

The Singapore Radiological Society is a not-for-profit, non-governmental society of radiologists, nuclear medicine physicians and therapeutic radiologists in Singapore. The SRS has various subsections which represent subspecialties such as Interventional Radiology, Neuroradiology and Radiation Oncology, and are dedicated primarily to continuing medical education.

For more information, log on to www.srs.org.sg.

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RadiologyAsia 2018 Conference
With the widest ranging programme and the biggest number of speakers for a conference of its kind in the region, the RadiologyAsia 2018 Conference is committed to providing a learning platform in the Southeast Asian and Pacific region with radiology experts converging to share their expertise and knowledge.

The 2.5-day conference will see the active involvement of more than 100 internationally renowned medical faculty, at various forums, key-note presentations and in-depth discussions, including:

- Prof Eliot Siegel, Professor and Vice Chair Research Informatics at the Department of Diagnostic Radiology at University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore, USA
- Mr. Kenneth Kwok, Principal Scientist from A*STAR, Singapore
- Dr. Niketa Chotai, Consultant Radiologist, Radlink Diagnostic Center, Singapore.
- Dr Ravi Shrestha, General Manager & Senior Director – Global Healthcare IT, Canon Medical Systems Corporation
- Dr. Tan Min Han, founder and CEO of Lucence Diagnostics, Singapore

Incorporating the Annual Meeting of the Medical Ultrasound Society of Singapore, (MUSS), RadiologyAsia 2018 will bring together the three largest medical/radiology imaging societies in Singapore under a single event, widening the already rich content provided to delegates.

Delegates can maximise their learning experience with the option of customising their learning content according to their preferences and areas of interest. Four dedicated conference tracks have been curated to provide the most relevant exposure delegates require, with tracks centring on each of the pillars of this year's theme: Abdominal, Breast and Chest Imaging. The final track focusses on the rise of Radiology IT where aspects of technology such as Enterprise Imaging and Machine Learning will be explored within the field of radiology. A wide spectrum of topics will be covered under these tracks, including AI in Radiology, Contrast-Enhanced Spectral Mammography, Lung Cancer Screening, Theranostics in Prostate Cancer as well as the Role of Diagnostic MRI in Precision Medicine.
RadiologyAsia 2018 Exhibition
This year’s exhibition will present the newest state-of-the-art technology and solutions in the field of radiology to complement the knowledge and skills of healthcare professionals in helping them to provide the best form of healthcare services for patients in terms of quality diagnosis accuracy, cost efficiency and safe medical imaging practices. Exhibitors will display various equipment and machinery such as ultrasound, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), nuclear medicine imaging, computed tomography (CT), radiology informatics and many more. Participating exhibitors include many notable market leaders such as Canon Medical Systems, Comfort Medical (MAVIG), GE Healthcare, Guerbet, Medical Imaging Systems (Hologic), Philips and Bayer Healthcare, and Siemens Healthcare. There is an increased presence of healthcare and imaging IT-related firms participating, including Hanalytics, Mach7 and Carestream Healthcare.

Interventional Workshops of Radiology
Alongside the conference and exhibition, RadiologyAsia 2018 will see the return of a series of interactive workshops with the aim to further equip delegates with pertinent knowledge in specific areas of radiology. This year, the series has expanded to six workshops in collaboration with various societies and institutions including the Asian Society of Abdominal Radiology (ASAR), MUSS and American Institute of Radiologic Pathology (AIRP), to meet the rising demand for industry knowledge among delegates. The six workshops are:

• Abdominal Oncologic Imaging (Joint workshop with ASAR)
• American Institute of Radiologic Pathology (AIRP Singapore Course)
• Breast Intervention Workshop
• Doppler Ultrasound (Joint workshop with MUSS)
• Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Workshop
• Musculoskeletal Ultrasound Workshop (Joint workshop with MUSS)
Show Title: RadiologyAsia 2018 Conference and Exhibition

Conference Theme: Beyond the ABCs of Radiology

Date: 10 May 2018 (Pre-congress Workshop); 11 to 13 May 2018 (Conference, Exhibition and Concurrent Workshops)

Venue: MAX Atria @ Singapore EXPO

Time: Registration from 7:30 AM (11 May to 13 May 2018)

Opening Ceremony: 1:30 PM to 3:30 (11 May 2018)

Ticket Prices: Delegate pass starting from SGD 190; Complimentary visitor pass available.

Event Website: http://www.radiologyasia.com/

Organised By: SingEx Exhibitions, Singapore Radiological Society and the College of Radiologists, Singapore