

Nongsa Digital Park (NDP), a subsidiary of Citramas Group, is a strategic partner of e27 (an established regional platform for news, community, events, talent and funding related to the startup ecosystem) for an event that will take place in NDP from 28th until 30th November 2018: “e27 Academy”.

“e27 Academy” is a three-day learning programme that is designed to help aspiring and early-stage startup founders build their companies and navigate the ecosystem.

More than 200 founders from Indonesia, Singapore and the rest of Asia are expected to attend e27 Academy.

NDP acknowledges that its success is based on its ability to create a sustainable and attractive ecosystem for startups and the right skillsets must be available in order to create the pool of talent needed for these startups to scale up with the relevant expertise and skills knowledge.

Institut Teknologi Batam (ITEBA) has already agreed to collaborate with NDP, where it has set up a training facility dedicated to the education of its IT students.

NDP has expanded its network and relationships with various Indonesian and International institutions and companies that are keen to collaborate on aspects such as training, knowledge sharing, initiatives aimed at making such know how available to local talent and the participation in multiple formats of activities aimed at boosting NDP role as an attractive destination investment hub for talent, startups and established corporations operating within the broad Digital Economy sector.

Citramas, Infinite Studios, and NDP have signed MOUs with the following parties:

1. Institut Teknologi Batam (Iteba)
2. Politeknik Negeri Batam (Poltek Batam)
3. Universitas Putera Batam (UPB)
4. Universitas Internasional Batam (UIB)
5. Universitas Maritim Raja Ali Haji (UMRAH), Tanjung Pinang
6. Universitas Universal (Uvers), Batam
7. Institut Teknologi Del, Toba Samosir, North Sumatera
8. Universitas Andalas (UNAND), Padang, West Sumatera
9. Temasek Polytechnic – LabsXF, Singapore
10. Energy Eco Chain – Dalian University of Science and Technology – ITL (Dalian) Big Data Technology – Singapore Chamber of E-Commerce
11. The City of Batam
12. Coventry University (UK)
13. Nanyang Polytechnic, Singapore

With the development of the economic digital sector in NDP, the Citramas Group has created a unit for the Training Institution (LPK) which will train participants to meet the needs of potential employers in the field of information technology.

To maintain the continuity of manpower needs in the Oil and Gas sector, Citramas Group has collaborated with SMK Negeri 6 Kabil to make the normal SMK be recognized as 'Industrial Estate Vocational School', where in 2016, it started providing 30-seater industrial vocational students and has increased the capacity to 70 seats that are now in 2018 available for senior high school students.

The collaboration agrees to run 1000 hrs. of industrial curriculum, equivalent to 6 months of industry work experience, where the students will learn and study at the industrial facility in Kabil Industrial estate

The City of Batam, will sign MOU with Citramas Group to fund certification costs for industrial graduations in Kabil and also funding the digital workforce training through the LPK that will be named LPK Infinite Learning.

The MOU between Infinite Studios and Coventry University (UK) sets the grounds for exploratory work on opportunities related to vocational training, in areas such as creative arts and digital skills, and internships arrangements.

The MOUs signed with the Indonesian Universities and the Institutes of technology based in the Riau Islands and Sumatera outline NDP vision of creating a digital ecosystem which will provide qualified job opportunities for Indonesian talent, an ideal environment for startup growth and a collaborative and innovative place where to share scientific and academic knowledge especially in Riau Island and for Indonesia in General

The MOU with Temasek Polytechnic, NDP and LABSXF (a blockchain company focusing on technology adoption in enterprise and blockchain education) focuses primarily on the following initial potential areas of collaboration:

- a. Temasek Launch PAD Hackathon Program;
- b. Providing reciprocal right of free access for TP and NDP designated users to each other's co-working facilities;
- c. Seminars, workshops, vocational training and/or conferences;
- d. Collaborate and facilitate the mutual sharing of best practices and expertise in the areas of innovation and entrepreneurship;
- e. Student and Academic staff visits and exchanges in particular for innovation & entrepreneurship.

Nanyang Polytechnic and Infinite Studios has renewed a 3-year memorandum of understanding to cooperate in the areas of student internship programme and academic staff and student visits; student workshops and staff train-the-trainer's programs; joint-project development; collaborative mentorship; as well as the Skills Future Earn and Learn programme.

Since 2015, Nanyang Polytechnic's School of Interactive and Digital Media (SIDM) students have participated in overseas attachment programs in Infinite animation studio in Batam, Indonesia, where they worked on international CG-animated projects that are aired on major global TV networks.

In October 2018, Nanyang Polytechnic, Polytechnic Negeri Batam and Infinite Studios have also signed a memorandum of understanding to collaborate on student exchanges, whereby interns from both Batam and Singapore will receive appropriate industrial training activities and practical hands-on experience.

The MOU among Energy Eco Chain (a blockchain developer), NDP, Dalian University of Science and Technology, ITL (Dalian) Big Data Technology and the Singapore Chamber of E-Commerce looks at the possibility of introducing in NDP some Blockchain-related vocational training imitative.

### **Background Information on Nongsa Digital Park**

Nongsa Digital Park (NDP) the Brand Name of PT Taman Resort Internet is an integrated digital park in Batam for IT companies and digital entrepreneurs from Indonesia, Singapore and Southeast Asian region.

Officially opened on 20 March 2018 at the presence of both Foreign Ministers of Indonesia and Singapore, Ms. Retno Marsudi and Dr Vivian Balakrishnan, NDP is touted as the “Digital Bridge” between Singapore and Indonesia. “From Nongsa for Indonesia”  
NDP will also support Indonesia’s plan to create 1000 digital start-ups worth \$US 10 billion by 2020.

### **Background Information on Infinite Studios**

Infinite Studios, the brand name of PT Kinema Systran Multimedia is an integrated media entertainment and creative services company based in Indonesia (Batam) and Singapore with activities focused on post-production, animation and live film action production.

### **Background Information on Citramas Group**

Citramas Group, the Brand name of PT Citra Agramasinti Nusantara is an Indonesian diversified group of businesses that was founded in 1980.

The Citramas Group's business activities includes Oilfield equipment fabrication and manufacturing, shipping and logistics, Oil and Gas Drilling services, infrastructure and Construction, Industrial estate comprising Port and Ferry terminals, Digital Park, Resort Hotels, Golf Course and Marina, Animation and film production