Annex A: About the Inaugural Smart Nation & U Event

The inaugural Smart Nation & *U* event is a collaboration between the Smart Nation and Digital Government Office (SNDGO) and National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) which seeks to educate and engage the wider community on the benefits of digital technologies in their everyday lives.

2 The two-day event will take place from 30 November to 1 December 2019, and is expected to attract about 20,000 visitors. More than 700 Smart Nation Ambassadors will help run the event, making it the largest technology event of its kind, organised by the community for the community.

3 The event will feature over 70 interactive and experiential booths and bring together more than 80 technology solutions with touch-feel-play elements from over 60 partners, including Government agencies, technology companies, SMEs, community groups and education institutions. Key event highlights include:

- **Opportunities to engage with technology in an immersive and interactive way**. These include rides in autonomous vehicles, a smart home showcase, and opportunities to tinker with various technology gadgets.
- **Talks held at different zones**. These include Smart Talks on how technology can improve our daily lives, Technology Tutorials on digital government apps and services, as well as Future of Work Talks on how workers can prepare themselves to ride the digital wave.
- Workshops to improve digital skills. Members of the public will have the opportunity to be exposed to programming skills by Tiny Thinkers. They will also be able to programme their own robots and participate in robotic soccer competitions.
- Smart Nation & U Hackathon. Amazon Web Services will be organising a hackathon in conjunction with Smart Nation & U. Members of the public will get to vote for their favourite technology solutions aimed at bringing families closer together.
- **NTUC's U Live Symposium.** Active-agers will get the chance to learn a host of digital skills from symposium workshops and also participate in hands-on learning.
- 4 More details on the event and the list of partners can be found at: <u>https://www.downtowneast.com.sg/smart-nation-u</u>