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JOS awards Hong Kong students' innovative ideas for a better tomorrow
*FasTABLE app for shortening dining wait times takes top prize at
JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017*

Hong Kong – 24 February, 2017 – JOS, one of Asia's leading IT services and solutions providers, today recognised young Hong Kong talent for their smart ideas to solve modern city issues at the second annual JOS Innovation Awards, held at Hong Kong Science Park. FasTABLE, which helps shorten wait times in fast food chains, took the Platinum prize at the Awards. Following 37 submissions from more than 10 universities and tertiary institutions, eight shortlisted teams showcased their advanced technology project ideas at today's culmination event. EZPark and PLUS II took Gold and Silver.

Since 2015, the JOS Innovation Awards have inspired close to 300 Hong Kong university and tertiary education students to go beyond their day-to-day curriculums and create innovative ideas that solve real-world problems. Ms. Jenny Pong, Group Director for Human Resources at JOS's managing group, JTH Group, said: "JOS is proudly committed to nurturing the next generation of Hong Kong innovators. This is not simply a one-day event, but a holistic programme that expands students' horizons by giving them exposure to the working world and expert mentorship. Under the leadership and guidance of JOS experts, student teams build upon their innovations they've dreamt up and hone their presentation skills. There is a unique opportunity for two-way learning – students receive nurturing mentorship and inspiration from JOS, while we get to learn from the outlooks and aspirations of young people today."

"The JOS Innovation Awards are an integral part of our talent acquisition strategy. Apart from members of the Platinum-winning team earning internship opportunities, other suitable candidates we have identified during the shortlisting process will also be eligible for invitations to our internship and graduate trainee programs. The Awards bring new blood to the industry in not only Hong Kong, but also Singapore, where JOS's Singapore office launched our first JOS Innovation Awards there this year," Pong continued.

Student entrants competed in the categories of Smart Transportation, Future Hospitality, Connected Retail, and two new topics, Green Living and Healthcare Innovation. The following projects were selected as top winners of the JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017:

Platinum-winning team – FasTABLE

- o This solution makes use of motion detectors to identify vacant tables and food orders, which can maximise the efficiency of table turnaround time, enhance seat utilisation and improve the customer dining experience.
- o Team members: MAK Chun Him, LAU Wing Kiu, CHAN Hok Wah Kelvin, from City University of Hong Kong, and LI Chun Chung, from The University of Hong Kong
- o Wins HK\$ 55,000 of prize money and offer of a two-month internship for each team member

Gold-winning team – EZPark

- o The solution allows drivers to identify a parking space, while also making it easier to pay, through smart sensors and a map-based app.
- o Team members: HO Ying Wai Jeffrey and HO Pak Cheung, from Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Sha Tin Campus), and LEUNG Ka Lung from Coventry University & School for Higher and Professional Education
- o Wins HK\$ 30,000 of prize money

Silver-winning team – PLUS II

- o This solution is a revolutionary mobile application solution to encourage users to share their excess food, in order to combat waste issues through the concept of shared economy and spare capacity maximisation.
- o Team members: SZETO Ching and IP Suk Yan, from The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- o Wins HK\$ 15,000 of prize money

JOS Managing Director for Hong Kong and Macau, Mr. Eric Or said: “I offer my congratulations to the winning teams. Ever since we started the JOS Innovation Awards, every student entry has demonstrated outstanding ideas and motivation. These Hong Kong youth repeatedly prove that great ideas can come from anyone, anywhere. We are deeply impressed with these students, not only for their observations around the impact of everyday problems, but also their creativity in coming up with ideas that can enhance the way we live and create social value through technology. We are proud to offer a platform for the next generation of talent to realise their dreams.”



This year, the Awards brought together cross-industry leaders to participate in the judging panel. Judges presiding over today's award presentation ceremony included:

- Eric van der Hoeven, Chief Executive, JTH Group
- Mark Lunt, Group Managing Director, JOS
- Dr. Summer Chan, Senior Health Informatician (Clinical Innovation, Quality Assurance & Risk Management), Hospital Authority Hong Kong
- Ms. Mary Lam, Group Health and Beauty Commercial Director, Dairy Farm Group
- Dr. Winnie Tang, JP, Founder & Chairman of the Steering Committee, Smart City Consortium
- Mr. David Walker, Chief Executive, Jardine Aviation Services

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About JOS

With over 60 years' experience in Asia, JOS is a systems integrator, solutions provider and technology consultancy with deep local and industry knowledge and an exceptional ability to execute. With 2,200 IT professionals working from nine offices across Asia's major business hubs in China, Hong Kong, Macau, Malaysia and Singapore, JOS aims to improve the performance of business and governments across the region by applying the best technology to address their challenges. JOS has extensive experience across a range of industries, more than 10,000 private and public sector customers in Asia, and core capabilities in cloud computing, big data, enterprise security, enterprise applications, mobility, next generation infrastructure and internet of things.

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About the JOS Innovation Awards

The JOS Innovation Awards were founded by JOS in 2015. The Awards aim to inspire, nurture and recognise students in Hong Kong for their smart ideas and innovative thinking in improving industry performance. Awards entry is open to all full-time undergraduate and post-graduate students from local universities and higher education institutions and accepts group applications of two to five members in a team.

With the Awards, JOS is committed to inspiring Hong Kong students on the path to making our world a more efficient and better place to live. For more information, please visit [JOS Talent Acquisition](http://JOS_Talent_Acquisition). Follow us:  (JOS Talent Acquisition).

Event Photos:



Photo 1: MAK Chun Him, LAU Wing Kiu, CHAN Hok Wah Kelvin, from City University of Hong Kong, and LI Chun Chung, from The University of Hong Kong, win the Platinum Award at the JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017 with their FastABLE solution.



Photo 2: HO Ying Wai Jeffrey and HO Pak Cheung, from Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Sha Tin Campus), and LEUNG Ka Lung from Coventry University & School for Higher and Professional Education, win the Gold Award at the JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017 with their EZPark solution.



Photo 3: SZETO Ching and IP Suk Yan, from The Chinese University of Hong Kong, win the Silver Award at the JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017 with their PLUS II solution.



Photo 4: (From left) JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017 judges Mark Lunt, Group Managing Director, JOS; David Walker, Chief Executive, Jardine Aviation Services; Ms. Mary Lam, Group Health and Beauty Commercial Director, Dairy Farm Group; Eric van der Hoeven, Chief Executive, JTH Group; Dr. Winnie Tang, JP, Founder & Chairman of the Steering Committee, Smart City Consortium; Dr. Summer Chan, Senior Health Informatician, Hospital Authority Hong Kong.



Photo 5: The Platinum Award winners from City University of Hong Kong and The University of Hong Kong present their FastTABLE solution.



Photo 6: Student teams, judges and JOS executives at the JOS Innovation Awards 2016-2017.

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