

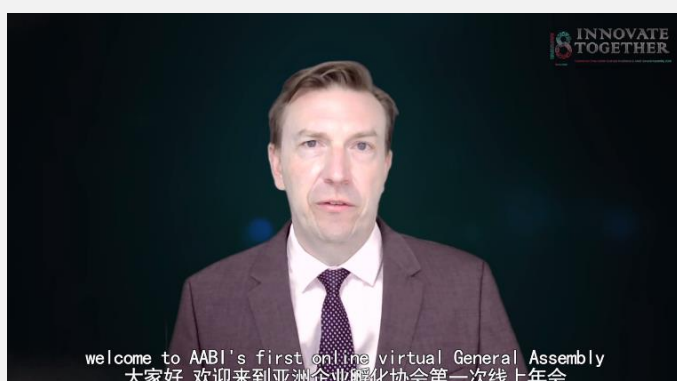
Summit on Cross-border Business Incubation & The AABI Awards Ceremony 2020 was successfully held!

Supported by Science and Technology Commission of Shanghai Municipality, sponsored by Asian Association of Business Incubation (AABI) and Shanghai Technology Innovation Center, **Summit on Cross-border Business Incubation and AABI Awards Ceremony 2020** was successfully held in Shanghai on 16th November, 2020 by Shanghai Technology Business Incubation Association and Shanghai Co-Way International Technology Transfer Center.

The event was live streamed with as many as 100 representatives of science parks, incubators, universities, innovation and entrepreneurship service providers as well as entrepreneurs from Shanghai and the Yangtze River Delta region participating in the event, together with more than 60 AABI association member representatives from Australia, South Korea, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Vietnam, India, Hong Kong, China and Chinese Taipei joining in the event online.



With the theme of **Innovate Together**, this year's GA also marks the 18th Anniversary of AABI. To start, Mr. Philip Kemp, the president of AABI, and Mr. XIE Wenlan, Vice Chairman of Science and Technology Commission of Shanghai Municipality delivered opening remarks to welcome participants to join in the event both online and offline.



Mr. MO Tan, director of Division of International Cooperation of Torch High-Tech Industry Development Center, MOST of China delivered a **keynote speech** on *Innovate Together- how to play “new” role of international cooperation in cross-border business incubation*. Mr. MO not only introduced to the audience the development characteristics of China’s innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem but especially focused on the newly released “Joint Action Initiative for International Cooperation in Innovation and Entrepreneurship”, calling for joint efforts to create a more adaptive innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem under the new era with in-depth innovation collaboration globally. Afterwards, Mr. Flat CHEN, head of Technology & Innovation Solution in Greater China of SAP, shared with the audience the practical experiences in how to empower SMEs with open innovation of SAP.



For the **Case Sharing on Cross-Border Collaboration**, the two AABI award-winning entrepreneurs for 2020 were invited to share their stories on international collaboration with audience. They are, Mr. Naraphong Chomphuthan, the founder of Navisplus Co.,Ltd, a company distributes

health-focused & well-being products from research to innovation globally and Mr. PAN Jing, the founder of Shanghai Taimi Robotics Technology Co., Ltd, a high-tech company specialized in the field of Medical Service Robots. Followed by the sharing of two entrepreneurs was an insightful comment from Mr. WANG Rong, the senior advisor of AABI and honorary president of Shanghai Technology Business Association, who shared his suggestions to both entrepreneurs on their future paths of cross-border collaboration.



The next session was **2020 AABI Awards Ceremony**. This year, AABI has given THREE awards—AABI Incubator of the Year Award 2020, AABI Torch Entrepreneur Awards 2020, and 2020 AABI Excellency Award for Mitigating COVID-19 to a total of 2 incubators and 14 entrepreneurs from 7 countries and regions.

The winners of AABI Incubator of the Year 2020 Awards went to Hongneung Venture Valley Business Incubator (South Korea) and Daegu University Start-up Incubator Center (South Korea). The winner of 2020 AABI Torch Best Entrepreneur Award went to Mr. Frankie CHENG, CEO & founder of Bened Biomedical Group (Chinese Taipei). And another 6 excellent entrepreneurs from China, Thailand, India and South Korea won the three distinctive awards of AABI Torch Entrepreneur Awards 2020. In order to pay tribute to the outstanding enterprises who helped the society to cope with the pandemic and adapt to the “new norm” internationally, AABI also set up “2020 AABI Excellency Award for Mitigating COVID-19” this year and gave the award to 7 enterprises from 7 countries and regions.



Representatives from award-winning organization, including Hongneung Venture Valley Business Incubator (South Korea), Shanghai Taimi Robotics Technology Co., Ltd (Shanghai, China) and Bened Biomedical Group (Chinese Taipei) attended the Award Ceremony and received the trophies and certificates on site.



After 18 years of development, AABI has grown from 9 founding organizations into an international community covering 23 Association Members and 40 Incubator Members from 19 countries and regions. It has also witnessed the rapid development of Asia-Pacific economies in the past 18 years. For the years to come, AABI will continue to be the network empowers its members and partnering organizations to open Asia pacific market through business incubation and innovation practice. Innovate Together, we would embrace a better future!