# Nurturing People

# **Diversity and Inclusivity**

We believe that workforce diversity is essential to building and sustaining our competitive advantage. Diversity fosters innovative thinking and helps tackle business challenges through different perspectives. With a workforce of more than 12,000 employees representing 38 nationalities, the Axiata Code of Conduct governs how we conduct ourselves in a multicultural environment and

always enjoins us to treat fellow colleagues with respect and consideration, regardless of gender, age, ethnicity, language, cultural background, physical ability, religious belief and lifestyle choice. These principles are applied in our daily interactions internally with our people, externally in our communities, and with business partners in the marketplace.

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Notes: CC includes Axiata Corporate Centre and Axiata Business Services

Axiata Senior Leadership from the Group and OpCos

# **Diversity and Inclusivity**

Investing in our people is critical to the long-term success of the business. We manage our human capital investment by attracting and nurturing the right talent, and supporting their professional growth and personal well-being during their career with us. Employees across all levels of the Group undergo an

annual performance and career development review. We have a robust talent assessment process with a focus on identifying talent early in their career in order to spur their progression through our Group and OpCo Accelerated Development Programme.

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Local: Locals working in their respective OpCo country. Footprint: Non-locals from Axiata's footprint countries. External: Non-locals from outside Axiata's footprint countries Note:

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# Towards a Modern, Agile and Digital Workforce

Accelerating

In our industry where change is the only constant, it is imperative for our employees to keep abreast of the latest industry developments. During the year, we invested RM28.5 million in employee learning and development. The training programmes ensure we have the skills and talent instilled with the

ethos of being Modern, Agile and Digital which is needed to grow our business now and in the future. Our training focuses on our strategic business priorities as well as online platforms, allowing employees to broaden their scope and push their boundaries in the transformative digital landscape.



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**Driving Digital and** Agile Learning

Engagement.

collaboration.

Coaching

We launched the holistic Learning,

and

Performance (LEAP) programme to embed the culture and mindset required to be a Digital Champion.

LEAP exposes employees to best-

in-class speakers, provides focused

functional training and promotes

Subject matter experts shared

global best practices and

provided online and in-person

coaching and mentoring

#### Digital Learning Platform

We empower employees to take charge of their own professional development and continuous learning by providing access to Lynda.com, an online learning platform offering thousands of courses for customised learning.



#### Building Digital Competency

We continue to build a strong pipeline of talent across high growth emerging technology segments. This year we focused on upskilling digital talents and building competencies, especially in big data analytics and cyber security, to support our digital transformation and our IR 4.0 aspirations.



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#### Collaboration

Expert Working Group and Axiata Digital Labs serve OpCos, and drive organisation-wide acceleration and adoption of new paradigms and methods that spur productivity

#### Competition

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Eight different tiers of LEAP awards ensure engagement and participation, while spurring frontend and back-office digitisation

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## **Conducive Workplace**

Our presence across a geographical region with diverse social norms and cultural values drives us to provide a working environment that is respectful and welcoming to everyone. As a responsible employer, we adhere to the higher norms of protecting the international fundamental rights of employees

and meeting national employment obligations of social protection and safety. We believe in creating a work environment where employees can air their views and access avenues to make changes that promotes work life balance.

#### Respecting Labour Rights

We strive to uphold fair and safe workplace practices under ILO Conventions and in accordance with labour laws in the markets in which we operate. We are committed to building and maintaining trusted relationships with our employees and stakeholders, which are premised on protecting their fundamental working rights.

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Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining

- Respect local labour laws
- Recognition of unions in three of our digital telcos
- ▶ Unions represent 4.5% of digital telco employees
- ▶ We engage proactively with union representatives to maintain and enhance our labour management relationship



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#### Fair Wage

- Equal pay for equal work
- ▶ No gender wage discrimination
- Benchmark pay levels at the 50th percentile for base pay, and 75th percentile for good performance
- ▶ Entry-level wages in all our markets are on average 2.2x above the national legal minimum wage

#### Child Labour & Forced Labour

- We do not tolerate child and forced labour either through direct employment or in our supply chain
- We had no reported cases in 2018

### Highly Engaged Employees

Our ambition is to create an engaged and conducive workplace that is benchmarked higher than the industry norm, and on par with global highperforming companies. We listen to our employees to understand their views and respond to their feedback by taking appropriate actions. We maintain open communication channels, organise quarterly townhalls to provide updates, and regularly communicate through digital channels.

We monitor employee engagement and satisfaction levels through our annual Employee Engagement Survey. We use this tool to assess managers according to the experience they create for their team.

#### Axiata Group Employee Engagement Survey 2016-2018



# **Building Future Leaders**

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**Axiata Young Talent Programme** Leadership Competencies Creativity Critical thinking Communication Self Awareness Self Management Attitude

We operate in a region where the general population is young and hungry for

opportunities. Recognising that the future of nations rests on their shoulders,

we have the opportunity and responsibility to shape minds and harness the

enormous potentials of these untapped talents.

With a commitment of RM100 million over 10 years, the Axiata Young Talent Programme (AYTP) provides three leadership tracks customised for different age groups. Over the years, the AYTP has impacted the lives of more than 1,600 young talented Malaysians.

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Hence, in 2011 we made a commitment to invest in a young talent development programme that is customised to support the national agenda, with a further aspiration to roll it out across all our markets. The programme offers top students and promising young adults an enriching leadership experience to equip them with the skills and competencies of a future CEO.

#### School Leadership Development Programme (SLDP)

A five-year programme in partnership with Kolej Yayasan Saad in Melaka. The SLDP is open to Malaysian secondary school students looking to gain the upper hand over their peers in terms of the development of their critical skills and command of leadership competencies.

#### University Leadership Development Programme (ULDP)

A fifteen-day 'summer camp' style leadership development programme for Malaysian undergraduates with a focus on putting leadership concepts into practice. Participants gain a broad understanding of business skills and tools through workshops, experience being in the role of decision makers through business simulations, and work on a CEO Challenge at the end of the programme.

#### Young CEO Development Programme (YCDP)

A two-year leadership development programme for Malaysian young professionals with a focus on real-world application. Participants master critical skills and knowledge through workshops and business simulations where they take the roles of decision makers. The YCDP participants work on developing innovative digital solutions to complex problems faced in the region.

#### 2018 Highlight

YCDP reached a major milestone with the graduation of its first two cohorts of 120 participants in December. As part of the final stretch of the programme, they participated in a Regional Business Challenge where they were tasked to ideate and propose viable Go-To-Market strategies for an e-wallet business in Nepal or Thailand.

#### **AYTP Alumni Association**

Established in 2015, the AYTP Alumni Association is a community of young potential CEOs that supports its members in their journey of becoming the nationbuilders of tomorrow. Since its inception, the Association has grown to more than 800 alumni as of 2018.

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#### XL Axiata Future Leaders Programme

One of Indonesia's most comprehensive and longest-running youth leadership programmes, the XL Future Leaders (XLFL) Programme has nurtured over 65,000 students and awarded 700 scholarships for disadvantaged students since its launch

in 2012. Modelled on the fundamental principles of the AYTP, the programme is localised to the Indonesian context. XLFL has reached university students spanning the breadth of Indonesia, from Aceh in the east to Papua in the west.

	XLFL Global Leaders	₩	XLFL Scholarship		XL eLearn.id	₩	XL Future Leaders Youth Townhall
Culture of Integrity & Performance	<ul> <li>Two-year development programme targeting top university talents across Indonesia</li> <li>Rigorous five phase selection process</li> <li>150 students or 1% of applicants selected as XLFL Awardees</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Awarded to 100 talented finations year university students from disadvantaged families</li> <li>Monthly stipend</li> <li>Travel cost of attending tww workshops</li> </ul>	ר ז	<ul> <li>Learning platform hosts all Global Leaders content online and ensures open universal access to all</li> <li>Served over 30,000 users since 2015, with a completion rate of 95%</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Involved 26 universities, spanning 32 cities</li> <li>Conducted over five months</li> <li>Engaged over 6,500 youths on the future of Indonesia's digital economy</li> </ul>
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#### **XLFL Social Impact Projects**

As part of completing their XLFL experience, students are challenged to conceptualise and execute a social impact project. These impact projects range from education and health, to the environment. The following projects have developed into social enterprises in parts of Indonesia.

	PipetKite	Gifood	Aristotell
Nurturing Future Leaders	Empowers women in the rural community of Rasau Jaya, Pontianak by improving their soft skills and training them to increase income. IG: @pipetkite	Connects people with excess food with those in need in order to reduce food waste and increase awareness of sharing – IG: @gifood.id	Uses augmented reality to bring history to life, with its first installation at the Vredeburg Museum, in Yogyakarta - IG: aristotell_

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#### SmartEdu University Student Development Programme

The SmartEdu University Student Development Programme was launched this year in Cambodia. This annual programme aims to equip future leaders with requisite values and critical competencies, in order to develop talent and support the government's agenda to embrace the digital economy.

a learning-by-doing approach. The programme incorporates business simulations involving local private companies, local SMEs and startups, enabling students to engage with diverse digital companies. A challenging selection process chose 48 top undergraduates from 14 universities in Cambodia for the first cohort.

The 13-Day stay-in Bootcamp, which emulates the successful AYTP, provides theoretical, experiential, personal and relational development opportunities through

