Huawei introduces its efforts in fighting COVID-19 and expansion of 5G

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Huawei hosted two webinars online on April 23. While the first introduced a new AI-assisted COVID-19 diagnosis solution, the second one unveiled the white paper Technology against Pandemic: Insights and Practice on Telecom Networks.

Faster COVID-19 Diagnosis Using Medical Imaging and AI

Huiying Medical Technology has developed an AI-assisted CT-Screening solution for COVID-19 and released the solution together with Huawei CLOUD. The webinar was hosted on Huawei CLOUD Live and was conducted by Jia Jingen of Huiying Medical Technology. This new technology has been introduced to overcome the high false-negative rates of the RT-PCR testing kits that are being used globally for detecting COVID-19. Results show that chest CT scans are 98% accurate to determine the disease. In tandem with Huiying Medical's AI, chest CT scans can provide an accurate probability of COVID-19



infection for a patient and a diagnosis can be reached only in 30 seconds. The AI-assisted solution is currently being provided to hospitals in collaboration with Huawei CLOUD or being deployed to them via Huawei Atlas Servers with GPU accelerators. Case studies have been conducted on 17000+ chest CT scans, identifying 4000+ COVID-19 cases, and 3000+ other pneumonia cases. The solution has been deployed globally since March in over 20 countries. The

Malaysia Ministry of Health has jointly released the solution in one of the biggest hospitals in the country.

Huawei 5G+, Better World Summit At the Huawei 5G+, Better World Summit, the President of CNBG MSSD Huawei, Peng Song, implored the ICT industry to stand together and create a better world. Shaun Collins, Founder and CEO of CSS Insight, shed light upon the importance of 5G to develop communication and technology for national infrastructure. He also highlighted how operators in South Korea, the first country to adopt 5G, used the 5G-enabled Global Epidemic Prevention Platform (GEPP) to inform individuals about dangerous areas and kept track of COVID-19 carriers and the people they came in contact with. This proved to be invaluable for the country when dealing with the pandemic. Next, Dr. Su Yu from CMCC R&D Institute shared how 5G telemedicine and online

classes have proved to be a boon during the lockdown in China. 5G powered drones were also used to help manage public places. The prospects and results of accelerated business growth were explained by Robert Wigger, CBO of Sunrise in Switzerland. The telecom company has collaborated with Huawei to invest in network quality as well as to roll out 5G Indoor Solutions. Su Xiaoming, the CTO of YITU Technology joined from Shanghai to provide a detailed insight into AI-assisted chest CT screening for COVID-19 identification. Lastly, the CMO of Carrier Business Group Huawei, Boi Cai, released the white paper Technology against Pandemic: Insights and Practice on Telecom Networks. This white paper explains the importance of the role of telecom networks and highlights the best practices by global operators using 5G, AI, fibre 10G PON and other technologies in the fight against the pandemic.

Window apps to maximize your Surface pen's ability

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