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<b>1</b>	<p><b>About Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore)</b></p> <p>A research-intensive public university, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore) has 33,500 undergraduate and postgraduate students in the colleges of Engineering, Business, Science, Humanities, Arts, &amp; Social Sciences, and its Interdisciplinary Graduate School. It also has a medical school, the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, set up jointly with Imperial College London.</p> <p>NTU is also home to world-class autonomous institutes – the National Institute of Education, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Earth Observatory of Singapore, and Singapore Centre for Environmental Life Sciences Engineering – and various leading research centres such as the Nanyang Environment &amp; Water Research Institute (NEWRI), Energy Research Institute @ NTU (ERI@N) and the Institute on Asian Consumer Insight (ACI).</p> <p>Ranked 11th in the world, NTU has also been placed the world’s top young university for the last four years running. The University’s main campus has been named one of the Top 15 Most Beautiful in the World. NTU also has a campus in Novena, Singapore’s medical district.</p> <p>For more information, visit <a href="http://www.ntu.edu.sg">www.ntu.edu.sg</a></p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>About National University of Singapore (NUS)</b></p> <p>A leading global university centred in Asia, the National University of Singapore (NUS) is Singapore’s flagship university, which offers a global approach to education and research, with a focus on Asian perspectives and expertise.</p> <p>NUS has 17 faculties and schools across three campuses. Its transformative education includes a broad-based curriculum underscored by multidisciplinary courses and cross-faculty enrichment. Over 38,000 students from 100 countries enrich the community with their diverse social and cultural perspectives. NUS also strives to create a supportive and innovative environment to promote creative enterprise within its community.</p> <p>NUS takes an integrated and multidisciplinary approach to research, working with partners from industry, government and academia, to address crucial and complex issues relevant to Asia and the world. Researchers in NUS’ Schools and Faculties, 30 university-level research institutes and centres, and Research Centres of Excellence cover a wide range of themes including: energy, environmental and urban sustainability; treatment and prevention of diseases common among Asians; active ageing; advanced materials; risk management and resilience of financial systems. The University’s latest research focus is</p>

	<p>to use data science, operations research and cybersecurity to support Singapore's Smart Nation initiative.</p> <p>For more information on NUS, please visit <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg">www.nus.edu.sg</a>.</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>About Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT)</b></p> <p>Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) is Singapore's university of applied learning. It aims to be a leader in innovative university education by integrating learning, industry and community as part of its unique pedagogy. Partnering world-class universities, SIT offers applied degree programmes targeted at growth sectors of the economy. SIT also aims to cultivate in its students four distinctive traits, or the SIT-DNA, which will prepare them to be 'thinking tinkerers', who are 'able to learn, unlearn and relearn', be 'catalysts for transformation' and finally, become 'grounded in the community'. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.SingaporeTech.edu.sg">www.SingaporeTech.edu.sg</a>.</p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>About Singapore Management University (SMU)</b></p> <p>A premier university in Asia, the Singapore Management University (SMU) is internationally recognised for its world-class research and distinguished teaching. Established in 2000, SMU's mission is to generate leading-edge research with global impact and produce broad-based, creative and entrepreneurial leaders for the knowledge-based economy. It is known for its interactive and technologically enabled pedagogy of seminar-style teaching in small-size classes.</p> <p>Home to around 10,000 undergraduates and postgraduates, SMU comprises six schools: School of Accountancy, Lee Kong Chian School of Business, School of Economics, School of Information Systems, School of Law and School of Social Sciences. SMU offers a wide range of bachelor's, master's and PhD degree programmes in the disciplinary areas associated with the six schools, as well as in interdisciplinary combinations of these areas.</p> <p>SMU has an emphasis on generating rigorous, high-impact, and relevant multi-disciplinary research that addresses Asian issues of global relevance, SMU faculty collaborate with leading international researchers and universities from USA, Europe, China and India as well as with partners in the business community and public sector, through its research institutes, centres and labs. SMU's city campus is a state-of-the-art facility located in the heart of downtown Singapore, fostering strategic linkages with business, government and the wider community.</p>
<b>5</b>	<p><b>About Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS)</b></p> <p>Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) is one of Singapore's six national universities and its mission is to provide lifelong education that equips learners to serve society. Home to more than 14,000 students, SUSS provides an applied education that targets both fresh school leavers and adult learners, with a focus on the social sciences. It adopts a flexible and practice-focused learning approach and offers more than 60 degree programmes in various disciplines. Eligible students taking SUSS's undergraduate programmes enjoy government subsidies and access to government bursaries, tuition fee loans and study loans. For more information on Singapore University of Social Sciences, please visit <a href="http://www.suss.edu.sg">www.suss.edu.sg</a>.</p>

<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>About Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD)</b></p> <p>The Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD) is Singapore’s fourth public university, and one of the first universities in the world to incorporate the art and science of design and technology into a multi-disciplinary curriculum. SUTD was established in collaboration with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and seeks to advance knowledge and nurture technically-grounded leaders and innovators to serve societal needs.</p> <p>Also in collaboration with Zhejiang University and Singapore Management University, SUTD, a research-intensive university, is distinguished by its unique East and West academic programmes which incorporate elements of entrepreneurship, management and design thinking. Graduate opportunities include the SUTD Technology Entrepreneurship programme, the Master of Science in Security by Design, and various SUTD PhD programmes. <a href="http://www.sutd.edu.sg">www.sutd.edu.sg</a>.</p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>General Insurance Association of Singapore (GIA)</b></p> <p>Established in 1966, the General Insurance Association of Singapore (GIA) is the general insurance industry’s trade association whose membership comprises 36 Ordinary Members licensed by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) to transact general insurance business in Singapore.</p> <p>As a Trade Association, GIA works to make all aspects of insurance easier and more effective for consumers, agents and insurance companies in Singapore. It helps identify emerging trends and responds to issues affecting the General Insurance industry and seeks to promote the overall growth and development of the sector in Singapore.</p> <p>For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.gia.org.sg">www.gia.org.sg</a></p>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>Life Insurance Association, Singapore (LIA Singapore)</b></p> <p>Established in 1962, the Life Insurance Association, Singapore (LIA Singapore) is the not-for-profit trade body of life insurance product providers and life reinsurance providers based in Singapore and licensed by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS).</p> <p>The vision of member companies is to provide individuals with peace of mind and to promote a society where every person is prepared for life’s changing cycles and for those situations unforeseen.</p> <p>They are committed to being a progressive life insurance industry by collectively enhancing consumer understanding, promoting industry best practices, and through the association fostering a spirit of collaboration and mutual respect with government and business leaders.</p>
<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>About The Investment Management Association of Singapore (IMAS)</b></p> <p>IMAS was formed on 22 September 1997. It is a representative body of investment managers spearheading the development of the industry in Singapore.</p> <p>By fostering high standards of professionalism and promoting exemplary practice among members, IMAS seeks to set the benchmark for the investment and fund management industry in Singapore.</p>

	<p>It also serves as a forum for members in discussions as well as a collective voice where representation is needed on behalf of the investment management industry, facilitating training for its members, and contributing towards investor education.</p> <p>For more information, visit the IMAS website at <a href="http://www.imas.org.sg">www.imas.org.sg</a>.</p>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>About Singapore Fintech Association (SFA)</b></p> <p>(SFA) is a non-profit organisation set up with the mission to create a FinTech ecosystem in Singapore, by facilitating collaboration among participants and stakeholders, to provide access to talent, capital and markets.</p>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>The Association of Banks in Singapore (ABS)</b></p> <p>The ABS is a non-profit organisation that represents the interests of the commercial and investment banking community. As at October 2017, membership comprised 158 local and foreign banks/institutions and representative offices operating in Singapore.</p> <p>Established in 1973, The ABS plays an active role in promoting and representing the interests of the industry. It works closely with the authorities in supporting the banking community's role in developing and maintaining a sound financial system.</p> <p>Over the past 40 years, it has brought its members together, establishing common grounds through benchmarking and setting guidelines as well as working on projects of mutual benefit to face the challenges of the financial and banking community in Singapore.</p> <p>The ABS plays a critical role to facilitate collaboration – with members, regulators, consumers and international organisations as Singapore grows into an international financial centre of repute.</p>
<b>12</b>	<p><b>About Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA)</b></p> <p>The Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) leads Singapore's digital transformation with infocomm media. To do this, IMDA will develop a dynamic digital economy and a cohesive digital society, driven by an exceptional infocomm media (ICM) ecosystem – by developing talent, strengthening business capabilities, and enhancing Singapore's ICM infrastructure. IMDA also regulates the telecommunications and media sectors to safeguard consumer interests while fostering a pro-business environment, and enhances Singapore's data protection regime through the Personal Data Protection Commission.</p> <p>For more news and information, visit <a href="http://www.imda.gov.sg">www.imda.gov.sg</a> or follow IMDA on Facebook @IMDAsg and Twitter @IMDAsg.</p>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>About the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS)</b></p> <p>The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) is Singapore's central bank and integrated financial regulator. As central bank, MAS promotes sustained, non-inflationary economic growth through the conduct of monetary policy and close macroeconomic surveillance and analysis. It manages Singapore's exchange rate, official foreign reserves, and liquidity in the banking sector. As an integrated financial supervisor, MAS fosters a sound financial services sector through its prudential oversight of all financial institutions in Singapore – banks, insurers, capital market intermediaries, financial advisors, and stock exchanges. It</p>

is also responsible for well-functioning financial markets, sound conduct, and investor education. MAS also works with the financial industry to promote Singapore as a dynamic international financial centre. It facilitates the development of infrastructure, adoption of technology, and upgrading of skills in the financial industry.

For more news and information, visit [www.mas.gov.sg](http://www.mas.gov.sg) or follow MAS Twitter @MAS\_sg.

**14 About SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG)**

SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG) drives and coordinates the implementation of the national SkillsFuture movement, promotes a culture of lifelong learning and strengthens the ecosystem of quality education and training in Singapore. Through a holistic system of national SkillsFuture initiatives, SSG enables Singaporeans to take charge of their learning journey in their pursuit of skills mastery. SSG also works with key stakeholders to ensure that students and adults have access to high quality and industry-relevant training that meet the demands of different sectors of the economy for an innovative and productive workforce. For more information, please visit [www.ssg.gov.sg](http://www.ssg.gov.sg)