Quotes from New Partner Organisations

Sponsoring Organisations

Mr Steven Say, Director (APJ Innovation & Development Centre) EMC Corporation

EMC puts a strong emphasis on the importance of recruiting and retaining the best people, and the success and strength of the company, past and present, owes much to the contribution of talented individuals and teams with a passion for innovation. Today, EMC employs more than 48,000 people in 400 offices in 80 countries worldwide. The establishment of R&D centres in Singapore, China and India owes much to the availability of local talent and a skilled labor force that has, over the years, directly contributed to EMC's global innovation and success.

Singapore, in particular, was chosen as its regional headquarters in the early 1990s to serve and support the wider Asia Pacific & Japan region. EMC's strategic partnership with the IDA is an important one, being an instrumental and strategic resource for the company to develop its most valuable resource: its people, today and going forward.

EMC supports the National Infocomm Scholarship (NIS) Programme for helping and nurturing the best and the brightest talent in the field of ICT and we're confident this will make valuable contributions for our business and the local industry.

Mr Forrest Li, Chief Executive Officer Garena Online

As a fast-growing and established game publisher with one of the largest gaming communities in the world, Garena has been contributing to the growth of Singapore's Interactive Digital Media sector by nurturing young talents in the gaming industry. We are truly excited to be a part of the NIS Scholarship for the first time this year and see it as a great way to help young talent realise their aspirations in this thriving industry. By embarking on the scholarship programme and eventually joining Garena, keen individuals will have the opportunity to jumpstart their careers and have the chance to deliver some of the world's best games to players all over the globe.

Educational Institutions

Dr Ting Seng Kiong, Deputy President (Academic) Singapore Institute of Technology

SIT is proud to be working with the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA) to offer scholarships for deserving students. We chose IDA as one of our scholarship partners because the programmes that we offer are industry-focused

and designed to prepare our students to enter the workforce and make a significant contribution the moment they graduate.

Our overseas university partners pride themselves on the quality and academic rigour of their offerings and have also expressed their admiration for the generous support which the Singapore government provides to our tertiary education sector through tuition fee subsidies and the various scholarships offered by organisations such as IDA.

This partnership with IDA not only reinforces the strong industry support which SIT's programmes enjoy, it also provides a platform for our overseas university partners, students and industry partners to provide valuable feedback in order to fine tune the scholarship application process with the aim of boosting the quality of future students. It truly is a win-win scenario for both SIT and IDA.

Dr Wong Woon Kwong, Director, Research & Industry Collaborations Singapore University of Technology and Design

The National Infocomm Scholarship (NIS) aims to nurture students with dreams of shaping and leading the future. SUTD is pleased to support the NIS, as the intention of the NIS is in line with what SUTD aspires for our graduates, which is to create a new type of technically-grounded leader and inventor, one fully equipped to address the challenges and issues of today and tomorrow. This will be accomplished, with a focus on Design, through an integrated multi-disciplinary curriculum and multi-disciplinary research.

The NIS also gives valuable private sector work exposure through a partnership with the top names in the industry. This is also a crucial aspect of our education, which is to marry the world of ideas with the world of practice, by exposing our students to the industry, and bringing what they have learned in the classroom to life by tackling real world problems.