



Enhancing Digital Competencies

ITE has partnered tech giant Google to launch a new year-long programme which will train some 1,000 students for careers in the cloud computing industry.

Called the Google Cloud Computing Foundation (GCCF) Value-Added Programme, it will teach ITE students foundational concepts of fields such as data analytics and machine learning, as well as their applications in cloud computing.

The programme was launched at an event celebrating the first anniversary of the Google Career Certificates online courses on 13 January 2023, which was officiated by Senior Minister of State for Manpower, Mr Zaqy Mohamad.

[Launch of Google Cloud Computing Foundation Value-Added Programme >>](#)



Nurturing Talents for the Electronics Sector

ITE has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Singapore Semiconductor Industry Association (SSIA), which aims to develop skilled talents for the electronics industry.

This involves the provision of internship and mentorship opportunities for students, as well as initiatives such as company visits and career fairs.

The MOU was signed at the Electronics Day event on 17 January 2023.

At the event, the Semiconductor Active Youth (SAY) Ambassador Programme was also launched by Minister of State for Education and Manpower, Ms Gan Siow Huang. In this Programme, selected students will be paired with mentors from semiconductor companies to learn more about the industry.

[MOU Signing with Singapore Semiconductor Industry Association >>](#)



Building Skilled Manpower for the Furniture Industry

On 2 February 2023, ITE forged a new partnership with the Singapore Furniture Industries Council (SFIC) that will prepare students for retail careers in the furniture industry.

Under this collaboration, an experiential learning corner featuring lifestyle furniture brands will be set up at ITE College Central's Retail Training Centre. SFIC will also be providing career talks, learning journeys, and internship opportunities for students.

Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office and Deputy Secretary-General of the National Trades Union Congress, Mr Desmond Tan, witnessed the partnership signing ceremony.

[MOU Signing with Singapore Furniture Industries Council >>](#)



Powering Advanced Computing Skills

ITE students will have access to Singapore's national supercomputer and more high-performance computing resources for their learning, through a renewed partnership between ITE and the National Supercomputing Centre (NSCC) Singapore.

The MOU was signed at the Supercomputing Asia 2023 Conference on 28 February 2023. It formed part of a series of partnerships forged between NSCC and education institutions, including polytechnics and ITE, to advance teaching through high-performance computing.

These partnerships involve the development of new courses in high-performance computing, and aim to nurture talents for related fields such as artificial intelligence.

[MOU Signing with National Supercomputing Centre Singapore >>](#)



Creating Real-World Solutions

As part of a partnership between ITE and low-code platform provider OutSystems, a low-code hackathon was held for ITE students to put their software development skills to the test.

Using the OutSystems platform, participating teams of the Coding4All Challenge had to develop applications that solve real-world problems.

The winners of the competition were presented their awards at a ceremony on 1 February 2023. Senior Minister of State for Communications and Information, Mr Tan Kiat How, graced the event at ITE College East.

Well done to the winning students!

[Coding4All Challenge Awards Presentation Ceremony >>](#)



Driving the Future of Skills Education



ITE held its annual Work Plan Seminar on 3 February 2023, to discuss key developments and opportunities in Singapore's skills education landscape. It also served as a platform to celebrate ITE's achievements in the past year.

The Seminar featured a series of presentations by staff, which explored ideas to boost student learning and employability. These included ways to increase support for students under the new three-year *Higher Nitec* programme, build ITE's digital capabilities, and create more fulfilling workplace learning experiences for students.

Over 300 staff attended the Seminar.



Leadership Lessons in Sustainability

Close to 200 ITE staff had the opportunity to learn from industry leaders on best practices in economic sustainability, at the 35th edition of ITE's REAL Leadership Series on 24 February 2023.

Based on the theme "Sustainable Economy", the session featured guest speakers who shared their personal insights and approach in building sustainable businesses. They included Mr Teng Theng Dar, an adviser on agri-technology to businesses and government organisations in Singapore and Japan.

The REAL Leadership Series is held for middle to senior management staff as part of their leadership development, and enables them to learn from the experiences of distinguished industry leaders. Its name originates from the book "Real Leadership" by Harvard Professor Dean Williams, which discusses the traits of effective leaders.

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