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NEW ITE ACADEMY FOR GLOBAL VTE
New ITE Academy Opens to Innovate and Provide Signature Vocational & Technical Education (VTE) Programmes for Staff and Partners

Core values and niche VTE proficiencies of the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) will now be propagated through the new ITE Academy that will serve as a research and development centre to pioneer thought leadership and promotion of excellence in VTE. The new ITE Academy, anchored by ITE’s multiple award-winning Hands-On, Minds-On, Hearts-On™ ITE Education, is a one-stop centre for organisational learning among staff and sharing with partners.

2 Given the dynamic environment of global VTE, ITE has to grow and evolve to better serve its students, develop its human capital and maintain its competitive edge as a leader in VTE. The ITE Academy thus performs a strategic function in strengthening ITE’s culture of excellence and care. Participants will enjoy a broad spectrum of development programmes and find platforms to contribute ideas on best practices for the advancement of VTE philosophy, thought leadership and professional development.

3 The Academy will have four Centres to comprehensively address learning in four areas. They are:

3.1 Centre for Leadership Development – To enhance knowledge in VTE Management and Development, as well as Governance and Leadership.

3.2 Centre for Pedagogic Development – To deepen pedagogic knowledge and skills of Academic Staff, Mentors and Academic Leaders, especially approaches in authentic and practice-based learning environments.

3.3 Centre for Professional and Executive Development – To offer training programmes on key VTE functional skills – from soft skills such as motivation
and management of VTE students to design thinking, design and development of VTE curriculum, instructional materials, authentic learning facilities, as well as planning and development of VTE campuses.

3.4 **Centre for Organisational Learning** – To create opportunities and platforms for staff to learn and share VTE competencies with fellow colleagues. This learning community will be driven by staff for staff.

4 Mr Bruce Poh, Director & Chief Executive Officer/ITE, said, “Besides our expertise in VTE, we need to ensure that successive generations of leaders and staff will continue to work towards the betterment of our students, uphold the highest standards of work performance and ethics, and embrace our signature *ITE Care* values and culture in the years ahead.”

5 Mr Tan Seng Hua, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Academic) & Dean of the ITE Academy, said, “Success in the past will not guarantee ITE’s continued success in the future. We need to put in place a strong mechanism to ensure that our competencies – our secret recipe – will be passed on from one generation of staff to another and, in the process, be improved and strengthened.”

6 Professor Tan Oon Seng, Dean of Teacher Education, National Institute of Education, will be delivering a keynote speech entitled “*Innovation in Pedagogy: Catalytic Ideas*” during the Ceremony. After the Ceremony and for the rest of the day, there will be presentations and workshops on pedagogic innovations at the Academy.

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The Institute of Technical Education (ITE), Singapore, was established as a post-secondary education institution in 1992 under the Ministry of Education. ITE is a principal provider of career and technical education and key developer of national occupational skills certification and standards to enhance Singapore’s workforce competitiveness. Under its “One ITE System, Three Colleges” Model of Education and Governance, ITE has three Colleges, comprising ITE College Central, ITE College East and ITE College West. For more information, please visit [www.ite.edu.sg](http://www.ite.edu.sg).
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Yio Chu Kang (NS15) — Change to SBS Transit 72

Legend
- Bus Services 72, 88 & 159
- Bus Services 45 & 68
LAUNCH OF ITE ACADEMY

26 April 2013, 0900 hours
The Hall@illumnITE, Level 4, ITE Headquarters & College Central

Programme

0850 hrs  Guests to be seated

0900 hrs  Opening Address by
           Mr Bruce Poh Geok Huat
           Director & Chief Executive Officer
           Institute of Technical Education

           Launch of ITE Academy

           Sharing by
           Mr Tan Seng Hua
           Deputy CEO (Academic) and Dean/ITE Academy

           Keynote Speech by
           Professor Tan Oon Seng
           Dean/Teacher Education
           National Institute of Education

1030 hrs  Reception