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NTU Singapore is ranked the world's No.1 young university for seventh straight year by QS

 NTU Singapore leads Asia's dominance at the top of the QS young universities league table

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore), has again been named the world's best young university by **Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)**. This is the seventh consecutive year that NTU has topped the QS Top 50 Under 50 ranking, a league table of the world's academic institutions established within the last 50 years.

In various young university rankings, such as QS, Times Higher Education and Nature Index, different methodologies are used. These rankings individually and collectively show NTU's strong leadership position among ambitious, young and rapidly rising global institutions.

"The COVID-19 global pandemic has reinforced to the entire world the important role and significant value of universities for societies, governments and organisations as they respond to new threats and challenges. NTU Singapore is proud that our dynamic campus community has played its part, in collaboration with many others, in supporting the global, regional and national responses to the pandemic. Whether we are dealing with a global pandemic, climate change, societal disruptions arising from the 4th Industrial Revolution, or any other major challenge faced by the world today, we see that young Asian universities, such

as NTU Singapore, are punching above their weight in creating new knowledge and technologies and in benefiting society," said **NTU President Prof Subra Suresh**.

Earlier this month, NTU maintained its position in the upper echelons of great global universities, with a 13th place in the QS World University Ranking. The QS Top 50 Under 50 ranking is based on data from their earlier world ranking. The University also achieved its highest position in citations per faculty, an indicator of the rapid growth in its research impact, rising 11 places to No. 25 in the QS world ranking.

Ben Sowter, QS Research Director, lauded NTU for its "amazing ascending trajectory in our global rankings" that has "resulted in seven years of absolute leadership as the world's top young university."

These latest accolades are a testament to the hard work and achievements of NTU faculty, staff and students in their pursuit of excellence in education, research and innovation. Besides increasing its global impact through research, the University has also been investing in world-class infrastructure in its NTU Smart Campus and attracting some of the world's finest faculty, including young and mid-career researchers, and students. These efforts have borne fruit, as NTU today is globally recognised as a leading institution in new and emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence, machine learning and advanced manufacturing, which are shaping the 4th Industrial Revolution.

Asia on the rise

A trailblazer in science and technology, NTU Singapore leads a group of seven young Asian – and mostly technological – universities that dominate the top positions of the QS Top 50 Under 50 ranking, demonstrating Asia's growing prominence in the global higher education and research landscape.

These universities are successfully producing high quality research and making a global impact in their respective fields. Unlike older universities, these young institutions are also characterised by their strong emphasis on interdisciplinary research, international collaboration, and partnerships with industry.

The QS Top 50 Under 50 ranking applies the same methodology used in the QS World University Ranking, based on six indicators: academic reputation, employer reputation, citations per faculty member, faculty/student ratio, international faculty ratio, and international student ratio.

For more information on the QS Top 50 Under 50 ranking, visit: www.topuniversities.com.

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About Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

A research-intensive public university, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore) has 33,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students in the Engineering, Business, Science, Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences, and Graduate colleges. It also has a medical school, the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, established jointly with Imperial College London.

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 & Water Research Institute (NEWRI) and Energy Research Institute @ NTU (ERI@N).

Ranked amongst the world's top universities by QS, NTU has also been named the world's top young university for the past seven years. The University's main campus is frequently listed among the Top 15 most beautiful university campuses in the world and has 57 Green Mark-certified (equivalent to LEED-certified) buildings, of which 95% are certified Green Mark Platinum. Apart from its main campus, NTU also has a campus in Novena, Singapore's healthcare district.

Under the NTU Smart Campus vision, the University harnesses the power of digital technology and tech-enabled solutions to support better learning and living experiences, the discovery of new knowledge, and the sustainability of resources.

For more information, visit www.ntu.edu.sg