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NTU Singapore and Marshall Cavendish Education collaborate to develop online courses for K12 educators

To arm educators with the latest knowledge and advance their skill sets in an increasingly digitalised world, **Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore)** is working with **Marshall Cavendish Education (MCE)**, publisher and leading provider of educational solutions, to develop bite-sized online learning courses designed to build up specific skillsets for the modern educator.

Under this five-year collaboration, NTU Singapore's Centre for Professional and Continuing Education (PaCE@NTU) will tap on the expertise of the University's faculty to design the curriculum and content for over 40 online courses. MCE will then package the content into courses with interactive elements to make them more engaging for learners.

These courses will be offered to K-12 educators (the equivalent of primary and secondary school educators) outside Singapore on a subscription basis through **MCEduHub for Professional Development (PD)** – MCE's 24/7 learning portal designed for educators to access certified courses, anytime and anywhere.

The partnership was inked on 1 July by **Professor Tjin Swee Chuan, NTU Associate Provost (Continuing Education) and Chief Executive, Centre for Professional and Continuing Education (PaCE)** and **Mr Yeoh Cheng Poh, Head of MCE**.

The signing was witnessed by **NTU President Professor Subra Suresh** and **Mr Koh Poh Tiong, Chairman of Times Publishing Limited (MCE's parent company)**.

Professor Tjin Swee Chuan said: "Teaching is not a static profession, and educators need to constantly challenge themselves, upskill, and keep abreast of changes. I am confident that the online courses developed by NTU and MCE will help educators continue their own professional development in their own time, so they can become more effective teachers and at the same time inculcate in their students the spirit of lifelong learning."

Mr. Siew Peng Yim, CEO of Times Publishing Limited shared: “At MCE, we believe that well-trained and well-equipped educators are essential to effective learning in a classroom, they are also the facilitator and driver to nurture the joy of learning and prepare students for the future. We are thrilled to continue our collaboration with NTU to make quality learning more accessible and affordable for educators around the region.”

This collaboration builds on the success of a pilot two-hour online course launched last year, when schools had to implement home-based learning in light of the COVID-19 restrictions.

Called ‘Designing Effective Online Lessons’, the two-hour online course addresses the urgent need to help educators design effective online learning lessons for their students.

Each course will be made up of bite-sized lessons, with various assessment methods integrated into the course. Upon completion, learners will receive a certificate issued by NTU.

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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, Medicine, Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences, and Graduate colleges.

NTU is also home to world-renowned 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).

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.

Ranked amongst the world's top universities, the University's main campus is also frequently listed among the world's most beautiful. Known for its sustainability, over 95% of its building projects are certified Green Mark Platinum. Apart from its main campus, NTU also has a medical campus in Novena, Singapore's healthcare district.

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

About Marshall Cavendish Education

Marshall Cavendish Education (MCE) is a global education solutions provider dedicated to nurturing the joy of learning and preparing students for the future. We believe the best way to do so is by simplifying learning and listening to the needs of schools, teachers, students, and parents.

MCE makes world-class educational content more accessible through a seamless experience that integrates both print and digital resources. We provide holistic and end-to-end solutions customised to the school's requirements, with professional development to help educators implement the curriculum.

We've worked with ministries, policymakers, educators, and parents in over 85 countries, designing education solutions in 14 languages for Pre-K to 12. MCE is the only Asia-based publisher that is an endorsement partner of Cambridge Assessment International Education.

MCEduHub for Professional Development (PD)

Educators learn too. The MCEduHub for PD portal is a 24/7 online learning platform designed for educators to attend short, certified courses, anytime and anywhere. The courses are developed in-house and with renowned educational partners such as Nanyang Technological University, (Singapore), Monash University and more, to arm educators with the latest knowledge and advance their skill sets with the best of theory and hands-on practice.

For more information, visit www.mceducation.com