



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **NTU Singapore deepens partnership with Vietnam universities for joint research projects, faculty and student exchange**

**Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore)** is collaborating with two of Vietnam's leading public universities, **Vietnam National University, Hanoi (VNU)** and **Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City (VNU-HCM)**, through new partnerships that focus on joint research in sustainable development, climate change and air traffic management, including facilitating faculty and student exchange.

The collaborations will enable faculty and students to learn from each other through exchange programmes, and to share and exchange best practices in research areas of joint interest.

At VNU today, **NTU Vice-President (Industry) Professor Lam Khin Yong** inked two Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with **VNU President Professor Le Quan** and **VNU-HCM Vice-Chancellor Professor Nguyen Minh Tam** respectively.

The signing ceremony was witnessed by Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, who is on an official visit to Vietnam and Vietnam's Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh. Also present were Singapore Education Minister Mr Chan Chun Sing, and Vietnam Minister of Education and Training Mr Nguyen Kim Son.

**NTU President Professor Ho Teck Hua** said: "The latest agreements between NTU Singapore and two of Vietnam's leading public universities – **Vietnam National University, Hanoi** and **Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City** – further deepen the close partnerships and collaborations we have established to exchange knowledge and further research projects at our institutions. They are a testament to the growing relationship between Singapore and Vietnam, which has strengthened in recent years. The sharing of knowledge, development of joint research projects, and close collaboration on academic research will greatly benefit faculty and students at NTU, VNU, and VNU-HCM as they learn and work together."

**VNU President Professor Le Quan** said: "NTU Singapore is a dynamic and leading research university in Singapore. NTU and Vietnam National University, Hanoi have developed a cooperative relationship over many years with various practical

collaboration activities in the past. The MOU signing between NTU and VNU today has contributed significantly in deepening the existing and fruitful partnership between the two institutions.”

**VNU-HCM Chancellor Professor Vu Hai Quan** said: “Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City has always been committed to providing excellent education, fostering groundbreaking research, and producing graduates who are not only academically proficient but also globally competent. The partnership with NTU Singapore, a reputable university worldwide, is a remarkable step forward in our journey to enhance the quality of education and research. This collaboration will not only benefit our institutions but also contribute to the advancement of societies as a whole.”

### **NTU and VNU to work on sustainable development and climate change research**

Under the MOU with VNU, NTU and VNU will co-operate in faculty and student exchange, along with research collaborations.

Faculty from both universities will have the opportunity to go on faculty exchange for research, lectures, and seminars. They will also exchange experiences on teaching methods and organise practical work for students.

Students from both NTU and VNU will benefit from cross-country exchange, as both universities will boost student exchange, carry out joint student research programmes and exchange sports and cultural groups.

Both universities also aim to carry out joint research projects in areas of mutual interest such as sustainable development and climate change. Researchers will also work together to coordinate research studies, exchange scientific results and technical information. They will also partner to publish the results of such research and organise joint seminars, conferences, and symposia.

### **NTU and VNU-HCM to focus on research in air traffic management**

Leading NTU’s partnership with VNU-HCM is NTU’s Air Traffic Management Research Institute (ATMRI).

The two parties will collaborate on specific projects relating to air traffic management such as the applications of artificial intelligence, human-computer interaction technologies, and other optimisation and computational topics.

Both institutions will also develop exchange programmes involving researchers and students, and mutually host faculty members for visiting positions.

The two partnerships with VNU and VNU-HCM further NTU's collaboration with Vietnamese institutions. In February 2023, NTU partnered with Vietnam's National Innovation Centre, a government agency aimed at supporting and developing Vietnam's start-up and innovation ecosystem through science and technology, to build research translation and innovation capacity for start-ups, research institutions and companies in both countries.

The collaboration aims to promote research translation, enabling research institutions and start-ups make the leap into commercialising technologies that will benefit industry and society.

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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, NTU has achieved 100% Green Mark Platinum certification for all its eligible building projects. Apart from its main campus, NTU also has a medical campus in Novena, Singapore's healthcare district.

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