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SINGAPORE MANUFACTURERS' FEDERATION GIVES S\$50,000 TO TEMASEK POLYTECHNIC STUDENTS TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT

Singapore - Having signed an MOU with Temasek Polytechnic (TP) last January to collaborate on the creation of a sustainable environment for Singapore, Singapore Manufacturers' Federation (SMa) decided to reinforce this endeavour by donating S\$50,000 to TP's students. This is line with SMa's commitment in taking the manufacturing industry to new heights in environmental sustainability and adoption of green practices.

SMa will officially present the sum of S\$50,000 to TP School of Engineering at a Cheque Presentation Ceremony.

The sum will be disbursed over 3 years, from AY 2011 to 2013. The money will go towards project funding and prizes, scholarships for students, and in particular, fuel cell research and development.

Such initiatives will help create innovative solutions for the industry to adopt and transform the adoption of such practices to better train the future leaders of the industry.

The collaboration has also helped TP in preparing its students for the new markets when they graduate and SMA in its initiatives to better prepare the working force in the implementation of innovative and sustainable practices in their working environment.

Mr George Huang, President of SMA said: “We are very pleased to work with Temasek Polytechnic and to contribute towards the training that it provides its students, so that the industry can benefit from the skill and knowledge of TP graduates.”

Mr Boo Kheng Hua, Principal & CEO said: “With SMA’s Education & Training Fund, our students can look forward to more opportunities to further equip themselves and in so doing, become valuable contributors to the industry.”

The Cheque Presentation Ceremony will be held on 23 May 2011 at Temasek Polytechnic. It is held in conjunction with the Polytechnic’s graduation ceremony, and will be witnessed by the Guest-of-Honour, Mr Masagos Zulkifli Bin Masagos Mohamad, Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs.

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About Singapore Manufacturers' Federation (SMA)

Established since 1932, SMA's mission is to represent the interest of the Singapore manufacturing community and to drive its competitiveness and sustainable growth through serving industry-specific needs.

SMA is supported by 11 industry groupings to serve diverse industry-specific needs, as well as Centres of Excellence to offer a holistic approach towards improving competitiveness, upgrading skills and capitalizing on new technologies to grow market share. Current membership is more than 2,800 corporate members ranging from SMEs and MNCs, and SMA carries out a myriad of activities to enhance the competitive edge of our members.

For more information, please visit <http://www.sma.sg>.

About Temasek Polytechnic (TP)

Temasek Polytechnic (TP) is a significant contributor to the field of para-professional education in Singapore. TP currently offers 52 full-time diploma courses in the areas of applied science, business, design, engineering, humanities & social sciences and informatics & IT. It also offers over 40 part-time courses, up to the advanced diploma level. TP students undergo a holistic learning system that combines hands-on experience, character education and relevant life skills, in an enriching learning environment. The Polytechnic has also infused global realities into its programmes and developed a mindset on campus that embraces socio-cultural diversity. These approaches ensure that TP graduates are economy relevant, future relevant and life relevant. For more information, please visit www.tp.edu.sg.

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