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A CHANCE TO SHINE AT WORLDSKILLS SINGAPORE 2011

Applications are now open!

The search is on for Singaporean youths who are the best-in-class in their skills areas. The **WorldSkills Singapore (WSS) 2011**, a biennial skills competition organised by ITE, with the support of the five Polytechnics, is here again to recognise some of the nation's finest talents.

2 The competition, ninth in its series, will be held from **20 January 2011 to 22 January 2011** at the premises of ITE's Second Regional College – the new ITE College West – at Choa Chu Kang Grove.

3 The WSS series aims to recognise the abilities of young, skilful Singaporeans, and raise the standards of excellence in technical skills. The competition is open to Singaporeans from secondary schools, Junior Colleges, Polytechnics, ITE, companies and other institutions of higher learning.

4 Top Medallists stand a chance to represent Singapore at the prestigious 41st WorldSkills Competition (WSC) to be held in London, England, in October 2011. Since its first participation in the WSC in 1995, Singapore has done very well, and has chalked up 16 Gold, four Silver and six Bronze Medals in this "Olympics of Skills".

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WorldSkills Singapore 2011 Competition Areas

5 WSS 2011 will see youths pitting their skills against one another in **16 competition areas** as follows:

- 5.1 Automotive Technology
- 5.2 Caring (Team Event)
- 5.3 CNC Milling
- 5.4 CNC Turning
- 5.5 Cooking
- 5.6 Electronics
- 5.7 Graphic Design Technology
- 5.8 Industrial Control
- 5.9 Information Network Cabling
- 5.10 IT Network Systems Administration
- 5.11 IT/Software Applications
- 5.12 Mechanical Engineering Design - CAD
- 5.13 Mechatronics (Team Event)
- 5.14 Mobile Robotics (Team Event)
- 5.15 Restaurant Service
- 5.16 Web Design

Application Criteria

6 To qualify, competitors must be Singapore citizens and not older than 21 years old on 1 January 2010. They must be undergoing or have completed relevant training at an education institution or company. More details on the competition can be found at www.ite.edu.sg/wss

Application Procedures

7 Application opens from **14 April 2010 to 24 April 2010**. Application forms can be downloaded from www.ite.edu.sg/wss. These can also be obtained from:

WorldSkills Singapore 2010 Secretariat
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Media Publicity

8 The media is invited to publicise the opening of applications for WorldSkills Singapore 2011. For further information and arrangements for interviews, please contact:

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About ITE

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 principal authority in developing national occupational skills certification and standards to enhance Singapore's workforce competitiveness. Under its "**One ITE System, Three Colleges**" Model of Education, ITE governs three Colleges, comprising **ITE College Central, ITE College East** and **ITE College West**.

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