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**Singapore's Top Youths in Skills Areas Crowned  
*Top Medal Winners to Represent Singapore at WorldSkills London 2011***

After three days of intense competition in 18 skills categories at the WorldSkills Singapore (WSS) 2011, from 20 to 22 January, 159 Singaporean youths will soon know if they are good enough to don the national colours at the international WorldSkills Competition (WSC), to be held in London in October this year. The biennial WSS series aims to recognise the talents of young, skilful Singaporeans, and raise the standards of technical skills.

2 Senior Minister, Mr Goh Chok Tong who officially opened WSS 2011 on Thursday 20 January 2011, at ITE College West, noted that competitions like WorldSkills Singapore teach valuable lessons, strengthened their confidence and improved their ability to respond to dynamic environments.

3 At the Closing and Prize Presentation Ceremony on **Wednesday 26 January 2011**, the results of WSS will be announced and outstanding finalists will be honoured with medals and prizes. Winners will receive Gold, Silver or Bronze medals together with cash awards of \$3,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 respectively, from the Guest-of-Honour, **Mr Gan Kim Yong, Minister for Manpower.**

4 Top winners of WSS may represent Singapore at the international WorldSkills Competition. At the 40<sup>th</sup> WSC in Calgary, Canada, in 2009, the 19-member Team Singapore contingent garnered 3 Golds in Caring (*Nursing*), Graphic Design Technology, and IT-PC/Network Support, and a Bronze for Mobile Robotics. Our Gold Medallist in IT-PC/Network Support, Tan Thiam Shui, also bagged the prestigious Albert Vidal Award, which is awarded to the Overall Top Scorer in the whole competition.

5 The finalists for WorldSkills Singapore 2011 are from ITE, the Polytechnics, and other institutions or companies, such as SHATEC, Assumption Pathway School and Motor Image Enterprise Pte Ltd. They took part in 18 competition areas, namely: Automotive Technology, Caring, CNC Milling, CNC Turning, Cooking, Creative Modelling, Electronics, Graphic Design Technology, Industrial Control, Information Network Cabling, IT Network Systems Administration, IT Software Solutions for Business, Mechanical Engineering Design CAD, Mechatronics, Mobile Robotics, Restaurant Service, Visual Merchandising and Web Design.

6 WSS 2011 is organised by ITE, in conjunction with the five Polytechnics. The key Sponsors of the Competition and the respective competition areas are indicated in **Annex A**.

### **Invitation to Media Members**

7 Media members are cordially invited to report on the WSS 2011 Closing Ceremony. The Ceremony will take place on **Wednesday, 26 January 2011 at 1600 hours** at the Auditorium, Block 2, Level 7, ITE College West, 1, Choa Chu Kang Grove. The programme for the ceremony is at **Annex B** and the location map of ITE College West is at **Annex C**.

8 For further information and arrangements for interviews, please contact Ms Jamie Chan, Head/Media, on Tel: 65902026, Email: [Jamie.Chan@ite.edu.sg](mailto:Jamie.Chan@ite.edu.sg), or Mr Victor Yen, Head/Stakeholder Communications, on Tel: 6590 2028, Email: [Victor.Yen@ite.edu.sg](mailto:Victor.Yen@ite.edu.sg).

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<u>Principal Sponsors</u>	
Singapore Totalisator Board Singapore Workforce Development Agency	
<u>Main Sponsors</u>	
<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Competition Area</b>
ABB Pte. Ltd.	Industrial Control
AsiaPac Distribution Pte Ltd <i>(Partnership with Fujitsu PC Asia Pacific Pte Ltd)</i>	IT Network Systems Administration
Association of Process Industry	General Category
Autodesk Asia Pte Ltd	Mechanical Engineering Design - CAD
Cisco Systems (USA) Pte. Ltd.	IT Network Systems Administration
Festo Pte. Ltd.	Mechatronics
	Mobile Robotics
Fluke South East Asia Pte Ltd	Electronics
Fujitsu PC Asia Pacific Pte Ltd <i>(Partnership with AsiaPac Distribution Pte Ltd)</i>	IT Network Systems Administration
Hakko Products Pte Ltd	Electronics
Heidenhain Pacific Pte Ltd	CNC Milling
Isetan Foundation	Visual Merchandising
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Kingsmen Creatives Ltd	Creative Modelling
Lee Foundation	General Category
Marina Bay Sands Pte Ltd	Restaurant Service
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Saatchi LAB	Graphic Design Technology
Sandvik South East Asia Pte Ltd	CNC Turning
Sia Huat Pte Ltd	Cooking
Singapore Health Services Pte Ltd	Caring
Singapore Technologies Kinetics Ltd	Automotive Technology
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**WORLDSKILLS SINGAPORE 2011 CLOSING CEREMONY**  
**Wednesday 26 January 2011**  
**Auditorium, Block 2 Level 7, ITE College West**

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**Programme**

1545 hrs	Guests to be seated
1555 hrs	Arrival of Guest-of-Honour (GOH) <b>Mr Gan Kim Yong</b> Minister for Manpower
1600 hrs	Closing Remarks by Mr Bruce Poh, Director & Chief Executive Officer, ITE, and Chairman, WorldSkills Singapore Council  Video Presentation of ASEAN Skills Competition 2010 Highlights  Student Performance - WorldSkills Singapore Theme Song "Shining Dreams" by ITE's Centre for Music and the Arts (CeMTA)  Video Presentation of WorldSkills Singapore 2011 Highlights  Presentation of Awards to Team Singapore at the ASEAN Skills Competition 2010  Presentation of Medals and Prizes to Winners of WorldSkills Singapore 2011  Student Performance by CeMTA
1700 hrs	Reception  End of Programme

**Location Map of Regional Campus of ITE College West  
1 Choa Chu Kang Grove, Singapore 688236**

