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**TEAM SINGAPORE LANDS RECORD MEDAL HAUL AT
45TH WORLDSKILLS COMPETITION IN KAZAN, RUSSIA**

KAZAN, RUSSIA, 28 AUGUST 2019 – Team Singapore delivered a record number of 22 medals achieved at the WorldSkills Kazan 2019, also known as the “Youth Olympics of Skills”, which was held in Kazan, Russia, from 22 to 27 August 2019.

2 The record haul in the biennial global skills competition includes two Gold Medals, one Silver Medal, two Bronze Medals, and 17 Medallions for Excellence. These include skill categories that Singapore competed in for the first time – (1) Cyber Security, (2) Water Technology, (3) Cloud Computing and (4) Hotel Reception. Previously, the highest number of 17 medals was secured at WorldSkills São Paulo 2015.

3 Team Singapore won Medals in the following areas:

Award	Skills Areas
Gold Medal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3D Digital Game Art• Health and Social Care
Silver Medal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Freight Forwarding
Bronze Medal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cyber Security (Team Event)• Water Technology
Medallion for Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aircraft Maintenance• Cloud Computing• CNC Milling• CNC Turning• Cooking• Electrical Installations• Electronics• Graphic Design Technology• Hotel Reception• IT Network Systems Administration• IT Software Solutions for Business

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mechanical Engineering CAD• Mechatronics (Team Event)• Mobile Robotics (Team Event)• Restaurant Service• Visual Merchandising• Web Technologies
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4 Details of Singapore's overall achievements in Kazan can be found in **Annex A**.

5 This year's WorldSkills Competition featured more than 1,300 competitors from 63 countries competing in 56 skills areas. Singapore achieved a ranking of 9th at the medal tally, which is an improvement from its 12th ranking at the last WorldSkills Competition. China and Russia took the first and second places respectively. For more information on Singapore's history of participation in the WorldSkills Competition, please refer to **Annex B**.

6 The Minister for Education, Mr Ong Ye Kung, was also in Kazan to support the Singapore team. This is the second time he had visited the competition. He became the first Singapore Minister to visit the WorldSkills Competition in 2017, which was then held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

7 Mr Ng Cher Pong, Chairman of WorldSkills Singapore Council and Chief Executive of SkillsFuture Singapore, said, "Team Singapore competed against the best from all around the world in this international youth championship of skills, and did us proud. For many of the competitors, their journey has been a long and arduous one. They demonstrated the passion and grit to excel in the face of exacting standards in the international competition. They are role models for young Singaporeans, and we will continue to support them in their skills deepening journey even after the WorldSkills Competition."

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** Based in Kazan, Russia, from 19 Aug – 30 Aug*

TEAM SINGAPORE AT WORLDSKILLS COMPETITION KAZAN 2019

S/N	Award	Skills Area	Name of Competitor	Institution
1	Gold Medal	3D Digital Game Art	Tan Ying Ying ⁺	Nanyang Polytechnic
2		Health and Social Care	Chia Yi Yun Regina	Nanyang Polytechnic
3	Silver Medal	Freight Forwarding	Rebecca Sim Yen Yee	Temasek Polytechnic
4	Bronze Medal	Cyber Security ¹ (Team Event)	Devesh Logendran	Ngee Ann Polytechnic
5			Koh Chan Hong (Ravern)	
6		Water Technology ¹	Chen Yong Han John	Singapore Polytechnic
7	Medallion for Excellence [*]	Aircraft Maintenance	Lau Jun Wei	Nanyang Polytechnic
8		Cloud Computing ¹	Milton Sim Yicong	Nanyang Polytechnic
9		CNC Milling	Lin Jian Xing	Singapore Polytechnic
10		CNC Turning	Alex Ong Li Hong	Nanyang Polytechnic
11		Cooking	Jerome Lim En Da	Republic Polytechnic
12		Electrical Installations	Koh Zhi Cheng	Singapore Polytechnic
13		Electronics	Manzel Joseph Seet	Nanyang Polytechnic
14		Graphic Design Technology	Jamie Jessica Leong	Nanyang Polytechnic
15		Hotel Reception ¹	Pan Shao Yee Shervonne	Nanyang Polytechnic
16		IT Network Systems Administration	Liong Wen Xuan	Nanyang Polytechnic
17		IT Software Solutions for Business	Yong Kai Qi	Nanyang Polytechnic
18		Mechanical Engineering CAD	Tey Yi Ci	Nanyang Polytechnic
19		Mechatronics (Team Event)	Liew Jin Hwei Arthur	Ngee Ann Polytechnic
20			Wong Shi Jie	
21		Mobile Robotics (Team Event)	Aquila Ng Li En	Nanyang Polytechnic
22			Terrence Yoong Teck Loong	
23		Restaurant Service	Vanesia Erico Tan Yi Jun	Republic Polytechnic
24		Visual Merchandising	Elysia Tjanderawasi	Nanyang Polytechnic
25	Web Technologies	Tea Pei Qi	Nanyang Polytechnic	

Legend

- ¹ Skill areas that Singapore has participated in for the first time at WorldSkills Competition.
- ⁺ The Best of Nation award is presented to the highest scorer(s) of each country.
- ^{*} The Medallion for Excellence is awarded to competitors who achieved at least 700 out of 800 points on the standardised WorldSkills scale in their skill area.

SINGAPORE'S TRACK RECORD AT PAST WORLDSKILLS COMPETITIONS

For over 60 years, the WorldSkills Competition (WSC), organised by WorldSkills International, has come to symbolise the pinnacle of excellence in skilled trades and technologies training.

2 Every two years, hundreds of talented youths, accompanied by their teachers, coaches and trainers, gather from around the world to compete in the skills of their various trades and to test themselves against demanding international standards. They represent the best of their peers drawn from regional and national skills competitions.

3 First introduced as a national skills competition in Madrid, Spain, in 1947, to raise the image of vocational training in the country, the WSC became an international competition in 1950 with two participating countries – Spain and Portugal.

4 In 1993, ITE joined WorldSkills International as Singapore's Official Representative. WorldSkills International is a non-profit organisation whose mission is to promote the image of skills and skilled careers through competitions and exchanges for youths. In 1994, ITE organised the first National Skills Competition (now known as the WorldSkills Singapore Competition), and led the first Singapore team to participate in the WSC in 1995 held in Lyon, France. The WorldSkills Singapore Office, which is under SkillsFuture Singapore, took over as Singapore's Official Representative to WorldSkills International in 2017. WorldSkills Singapore supports the national SkillsFuture movement and offers a platform for competitors to showcase their capabilities in the pursuit of skills mastery.

5 The table below summarises Team Singapore's performance from 1995:

S/N	Competition	Year	Gold Medal	Silver Medal	Bronze Medal	Medallion for Excellence
1	45 th WSC, Kazan, Russia	2019	2	1	2	17
2	44 th WSC, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates	2017	2	0	3	8
3	43 rd WSC, São Paulo, Brazil	2015	0	1	2	14
4	42 nd WSC, Leipzig, Germany	2013	3	2	0	9
5	41 st WSC, London, England	2011	4	1	2	7
6	40 th WSC, Calgary, Canada	2009	3	0	1	8
7	39 th WSC, Shizuoka, Japan	2007	3	0	1	6
8	38 th WSC, Helsinki, Finland	2005	2	0	1	3

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9	37 th WSC, St Gallen, Switzerland	2003	2	1	1	5
10	36 th WSC, Seoul, South Korea	2001	2	2	1	2
11	35 th WSC, Montreal, Canada	1999	2	0	0	4
12	34 th WSC, St Gallen, Switzerland	1997	1	1	0	3
13	33 rd WSC, Lyon, France	1995	1	0	1	2