



## News Release

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### **SGX partners NIE to equip teachers with investment knowledge**

Singapore Exchange (SGX) and the National Institute of Education (NIE), Singapore today launched an initiative to increase financial literacy and investment knowledge among teachers.

Driven by the Citi-NIE Financial Literacy Hub for Teachers and the SGX Academy, this programme will tap on NIE's strength in curriculum design and pedagogy and SGX Academy's expertise in finance and investments to deliver a structured financial education roadmap for teachers. The programme includes:

- a comprehensive six-module investment education programme for teachers;
- equipping teachers with knowledge in using online investment resources, such as SGX StockFacts and MyGateway; and
- giving teachers free access to SGX Academy's various investor education seminars and activities

The partnership is expected to progressively benefit more than 30,000 teachers and trainee teachers, providing them with personal and professional development by broadening their skill sets into the area of financial management and investments. Teachers who complete the full curriculum under the financial education roadmap will be awarded with a certificate from NIE. The estimated value of the SGX-NIE programme is around S\$1.5 million.

Lynn Gaspar, Senior Vice President and Head of Retail Investors at SGX, said, "At SGX, we believe that knowing how to manage personal finances and investments is an important life skill to achieve financial independence. This is why we have partnered with NIE in this important initiative to empower teachers with financial skills, and through them, to educate and mould future generations into confident and effective investors."

"As NIE moves towards becoming an institution of leading education programmes for teachers, we are heartened that our continual mission is supported by strong industry leaders in the global market. The programmes shared between Singapore Exchange and NIE will allow us to harness diverse real-time experiences to forge intuitive financial literacy skills for the teaching fraternity. These professional development inroads will pave the way for greater awareness in our schools," said Prof Tan Oon Seng, Director, NIE.

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## **About Singapore Exchange (SGX)**

Singapore Exchange (SGX) is the Asian Gateway, connecting investors in search of Asian growth to corporate issuers in search of global capital. SGX represents the premier access point for managing Asian capital and investment exposure, and is Asia's most international exchange with about 40% of companies listed on SGX originating outside of Singapore. SGX offers its clients the world's biggest offshore market for Asian equity index futures, centred on Asia's three largest economies – China, India and Japan.

In addition to offering a fully integrated value chain from trading and clearing, to settlement and depository services, SGX is also Asia's pioneering central clearing house. Headquartered in Asia's most globalised city, and centred within the AAA strength and stability of Singapore's island nation, SGX is a leading Asian counterparty for the clearing of financial and commodity products.

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## **About The National Institute of Education (NIE), Singapore**

The National Institute of Education (NIE) is an institute of the Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore.

NIE provides all levels of teacher education, from initial teacher education programmes to professional development programmes for in-service teachers and executive leadership programmes for Principals, Departmental Heads and other school leaders. NIE also administers postgraduate programmes that lead to the award of higher degrees in Arts, Education, Physical Education and Science. In addition, NIE also offers part-time programmes that make it possible for current primary level teachers to have the opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Education degree. NIE is also lauded for professional programmes such as Management and Leadership in Schools (MLS) and Leaders in Education (International) (LEPI) by overseas education leaders. NIE also shares top academic resources with USA's Teachers College, Columbia University for the first joint Master of Arts (Leadership and Educational Change) focused on moulding candidates into global leaders in education.

NIE plays an important role in providing education research and research based-pedagogical curriculum and direction to the Ministry and its schools to transform the teacher preparation system and to ensure it continues to meet changing needs of the education system. This is all in line with the mission of the Ministry, which is to mould the future of our nation.

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