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Press Release

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Over S\$2 million in Scholarships Awarded by the Singapore Maritime Industry for Local & Overseas Studies

Singapore, 17 August 2016 – As part of the maritime industry's efforts to groom the next generation of maritime manpower, the Government, maritime businesses and local seafarer unions presented more than S\$2 million in maritime scholarships to 53 students at the MaritimeONE Scholarship Awards Ceremony this year. The **MaritimeONE (Maritime Outreach Network) Scholarships** and **Tripartite Maritime Scholarship (TMSS)** programme support various local and overseas diploma and degree programmes. In all, 37 MaritimeONE Scholarships and 16 Tripartite Maritime Scholarships were presented at the event held at the Carlton Hotel Singapore this evening.

MaritimeONE scholarships

Funds for the MaritimeONE Scholarships are pledged by various stakeholders in the maritime industry including shipping lines, shipyards and maritime service companies. This year, **37 MaritimeONE scholarships are sponsored by 19 organisations, and are valued at more than S\$880,000.**

MaritimeONE scholars are able to choose from a wide spectrum of **24 degree courses** offered by local and overseas universities, as well as **three maritime diploma programmes** at the Singapore Maritime Academy in Singapore Polytechnic.

Since 2007, a total of **275 MaritimeONE scholarships worth more than S\$7.3 million** have been awarded to outstanding students to pursue courses in Singapore and overseas. Details on the MaritimeONE Scholarships and courses supported can be found in Appendix A.

“These scholarships, sponsored by the maritime industry, symbolise the commitment of the Government and industry players to nurture the next generation of Maritime Singapore. This industry is a key pillar of Singapore’s economy, and with the great work of its participants, Singapore has become a leading global maritime hub today. I hope that more young Singaporeans will come forward and discover for themselves the many exciting opportunities that the maritime industry holds for them,” said Mr Andreas Sohmen-Pao, Chairman of MaritimeONE and the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF), who delivered the welcome address at the awards ceremony.

2016 MaritimeONE Scholar: Ms Cassandra Keh – One of the six persons in her family who is in the maritime industry

MaritimeONE Scholar Ms Cassandra Keh saw the value in joining the maritime industry three years back, when she decided to take up the Diploma in Maritime Business course at the Singapore Maritime Academy in Singapore Polytechnic (SMA-SP). Interestingly, she is the fifth person in her family to have graduated with a maritime diploma.

Cassandra has four other cousins in her extended family who are in the maritime industry as well – a fact that was unknown to her until recently, when she met them at her graduation ceremony. Her four distant cousins – Ms Baby Tan & Ms Christina Tan (a pair of siblings) and Captain Tan Lay Ying & Mr Tan Yew Keong (another pair of siblings), were all from the Diploma in Nautical Studies (DNS) course at SMA-SP. Lay Ying, who has climbed through the ranks to become a Ship Captain today, was the one who had influenced her brother and two other cousins to pursue a seafaring career together with her.

Cassandra had joined the industry out of her own passion for the maritime business, but she has followed in the footsteps of Lay Ying, by introducing the maritime industry to her younger brother, Mr Keane Keh.

“After Keane had completed his ‘O’ levels, he was clueless about what course of study to take up next. As I always share with my brother at home about what I do and learn in my diploma programme at SMA-SP, it was then that he asked me if there was a course of study where he could travel around the world. I told him that both the DNS and Diploma in Marine Engineering (DMR) courses that SMA-SP offers would give him the opportunity to do so. He then decided to take up the DMR programme,” explained Cassandra, who is also the top student in her cohort and

has achieved a Gold Medal from the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore earlier this May, based on her overall achievements in academic, CCA and her other contributions and attributes. She will be pursuing a degree in the Bachelor of Science (Maritime Studies) course at the Nanyang Technological University under the SMA – MaritimeONE Scholarship.

Her brother on the other hand, is currently in his final year in the DMR course at SMA-SP, and once he has completed his course, he would be the sixth maritime diploma graduate in his family. This also means that in the Keh-Tan family tree, there would altogether be three pairs of siblings who are in the same industry!

2016 MaritimeONE Scholar: Mr Jasper Lee – *First MaritimeONE Scholar who is from a computing background*

This is also the first year that the MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme is supporting a computing-related degree course. **PSA¹ – MaritimeONE Scholar Mr Jasper Lee**, who is from the Bachelor of Computing (Computer Science) course at the National University of Singapore, is the very first MaritimeONE scholar to come from a computing background. Jasper has chosen to set sail on his career voyage with the maritime industry when he graduates, as he is inspired by Singapore’s vision to be an innovative and future-ready maritime hub.

“I am convinced that PSA presents a sea of opportunities for technology professionals to develop cutting-edge innovations. As one of the world’s leading port operators with a global network, I have also learnt that PSA is now deploying automated cranes and testing automated guided vehicles to gear up for the future mega terminals in Tuas. I am also excited about the PSA unboXed² incubator programme which engages start-ups for game-changing solutions to the container terminal business that is closely linked to global supply chain logistics and international trade. I look forward to joining and contributing to this dynamic and forward-looking team in future,” adds Jasper.

¹ Please note the correct company name in this context as PSA Corporation or simply PSA, which is a fully-owned subsidiary of PSA International – it is no longer the port authority. It operates the world’s largest container transshipment hub in Singapore, linking shippers to an excellent network of major shipping lines with connections to 600 ports globally. Shippers have access to daily sailings to every major port in the world at this mega hub.

² Please refer to PSA’s news release at <https://www.singaporepsa.com/images/2016/nr160509.pdf> for more information on PSA unboXed.

TMSS scholarships

A total of **16 TMSS scholarships** were also awarded at the ceremony this evening, valued at about **S\$1.2 million**, for students enrolled in the Nautical Studies and Marine Engineering diploma programmes offered at the Singapore Maritime Academy in Singapore Polytechnic.

The TMSS scholarships are jointly awarded by MPA, shipping companies, the Singapore Maritime Officers' Union (SMOU) and the Singapore Organisation of Seamen (SOS). The sponsoring companies this year are: APL Co Pte Ltd, NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd, PACC Ship Managers Pte Ltd, Pacific International Lines (Pte) Ltd and X-PRESS FEEDERS. For details on the TMSS scholarships, please refer to Appendix A.

2016 TMSS Scholar: Mr Mohammad Huzaini bin Hashim – Graduated from the Nitec in Mechanical Engineering course at the ITECE

Unlike most of his peers, Mr Mohammad Huzaini bin Hashim completed his National Service before pursuing his polytechnic studies. He is a graduate from the Nitec in Mechanical Engineering course at the Institute of Technical Education College East (ITECE). After National Service, Huzaini was inspired to pursue a career to become a ship captain. He said, ***“I enjoy the idea of being on a vessel and have always been fascinated with how vessels are navigated to their destinations. After embarking on my Nautical Studies programme at Singapore Maritime Academy, I feel that working as a deck officer is not only an interesting but also very challenging and rewarding career.”*** After his diploma, Huzaini will begin his career with X-PRESS FEEDERS.

2016 TMSS Scholar: Mr Raphael Tay Jing Song – Took a rather unusual academic route on his way to his diploma programme

Mr Raphael Tay completed his Normal (Academic) Levels studies in 2014 and went on to the Singapore Polytechnic (SP) Foundation Programme in 2015, graduating with distinctions in all subjects. He has been awarded the Tripartite Maritime Scholarship under NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd. When asked why he chose to pursue a career as a marine engineer, Raphael explained, ***“I chose to study the Diploma in Marine Engineering because I felt that this course is unique and is very different to the other engineering courses available in the Polytechnics. Apart from that, I believe that the maritime industry is very vibrant and full of opportunities for one to gain experience and pursue a career. I am looking forward to my training with NYK Shipmanagement and becoming a Chief Engineer in the near future.”***

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Photo Captions:

1. Mr Andreas Sohmen-Pao, Chairman of the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) and MaritimeONE, delivering the welcome address at the 2016 MaritimeONE Scholarship Awards Ceremony
2. Ms Cassandra Keh, receiving her SMA – MaritimeONE Scholarship award from Capt. Mohd Salleh A. Sarwan, Director of the Singapore Maritime Academy at Singapore Polytechnic
3. Mr Jasper Lee, receiving his PSA – MaritimeONE Scholarship from Mr Ng Kok Cheong, Head of Human Resource of PSA International Pte Ltd
4. Mr Mohammad Huzaini Bin Hashim receiving his Tripartite Maritime Scholarship from Mr Andrew Tan, Chief Executive of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore
5. Mr Raphael Tay, receiving his Tripartite Maritime Scholarship from Mr Andrew Tan, Chief Executive of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore
6. 2016 MaritimeONE Scholarship and Tripartite Maritime Scholarship Recipients

Attached Appendix A: Scholarship Details for MaritimeONE Scholarship Awards Ceremony 2016

- MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme
- Tripartite Maritime Scholarship (TMSS) scholarships

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About MaritimeONE

Launched in April 2007 by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF), Association of Singapore Marine Industries (ASMI) and Singapore Shipping Association (SSA), MaritimeONE (Outreach Network) is a key platform for all maritime stakeholders to synergise efforts to raise awareness of the maritime industry among students and their influence groups, and to interest them in maritime education and careers via various outreach initiatives. As the Secretariat of the MaritimeONE, SMF works in tandem with strategic partners to organise a variety of initiatives, including promotional campaigns, events and MaritimeONE scholarships. Funds for the MaritimeONE Scholarships are pledged by sponsoring maritime companies, which span from shipping lines, shipyards to maritime ancillary services companies, and administered by SMF. Other MaritimeONE activities include industry awareness talks, scholarship offers, student outreach events and regular networking events for employers and tertiary students. For details, visit www.maritimecareers.com.sg.

About Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF)

Established in 2004, the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) is a private sector-led organization that seeks to develop and promote Singapore as an International Maritime Centre (IMC). As the representative voice for the commercial players of the maritime industry, the Foundation seeks to forge strong partnerships with the public and private sectors of the maritime industry. SMF spearheads initiatives to promote the diverse clusters of the maritime industry in Singapore and at international

frontiers, and to attract young talents to join the sector. SMF is directed by its Board of Directors which comprises prominent leaders in the Singapore maritime community. For details, visit www.smf.com.sg.

**Appendix A:
Scholarship Details for MaritimeONE Scholarship Awards Ceremony 2016**

(A) MaritimeONE Scholarship Programme

The MaritimeONE Scholarship programme is spearheaded by the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) as one of the key initiatives to nurture talents for the Singapore maritime sector. Sponsoring companies provide the funding for these scholarships and these scholarships are administered by the staff of SMF. Some of the sponsoring companies also offer internship opportunities for the scholars during their school term.

A total of 27 maritime-related degree and diploma programmes are supported by the MaritimeONE scholarships this year. These courses have been identified by SMF in consultation with maritime-related organisations, which are at liberty to select the course(s) which they would be keen to sponsor their scholars for. This list increases every year as companies welcome talents from diverse backgrounds to meet the increasing manpower needs of the burgeoning maritime industry. As the MaritimeONE Secretariat, SMF publicises the MaritimeONE scholarship programme to students for these 27 degree and diploma programmes. SMF also coordinates the interviews for sponsors to meet the scholarship applicants. After the interviews, sponsors would then advise SMF on the candidate(s) that they would be keen to award their scholarship to.

This year, there are 19 sponsors for the 37 MaritimeONE scholarships, valued at more than S\$880,000. Of these, 31 of the awarded MaritimeONE scholarships are bond free.

Sponsoring companies this year include: “K” Line Pte Ltd, American Bureau of Shipping, BW Maritime Pte Ltd, Fednav Singapore Pte Ltd, Flagship Ventures Pte Ltd, Global Maritime Talent Pte Ltd, IMC Industrial Group, NORDEN Shipping (Singapore) Pte Ltd, NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd, PSA Corporation Ltd, Plymouth University, Sailors’ Society, Sembcorp Marine Ltd, Singapore Maritime Academy - Singapore Polytechnic, Singapore Maritime Officers’ Union, Singapore Shipping Association, The Chua Chor Teck Memorial Fund, Thome Ship Management Pte Ltd and SMTC Global (Singapore) Pte Ltd.

Since the inaugural Scholarship Awards Ceremony in 2007, a total of 275 scholarships, worth more than S\$7.3 million, have been awarded to outstanding and deserving students to pursue maritime-related courses in Singapore and overseas.

Sponsors that have pledged support for the MaritimeONE Scholarships this year include: “K” Line Pte Ltd, American Bureau of Shipping, BW Maritime Pte Ltd, Fednav Singapore Pte Ltd, Flagship Ventures Pte Ltd, Global Maritime Talent Pte Ltd, IMC Industrial Group, Jurong Port Pte Ltd, Keppel Offshore & Marine Ltd, NORDEN Shipping (Singapore) Pte Ltd, NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd, PSA Corporation Ltd, Plymouth University, Red Dot Shipping Pte Ltd, Sailors’ Society, Sembcorp Marine Ltd, Singapore Maritime Academy - Singapore Polytechnic, Singapore Maritime Officers’ Union, Singapore Shipping Association, The Chua Chor Teck Memorial Fund, Thome Ship Management Pte Ltd and SMTC Global (Singapore) Pte Ltd.

(A) Courses supported by the MaritimeONE Scholarships

Business and Law-related degree courses

1. Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Maritime Studies, Nanyang Technological University (NTU)
2. Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Maritime Studies with Business Major, NTU
3. Bachelor of Science (Economics) with Maritime Economics Concentration, Singapore Management University (SMU)
4. Bachelor of Business Administration (International Logistics), Chung-Ang University, Korea
5. Bachelor of Science in International Transportation and Trade, State University of New York, USA
6. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Maritime Business and Logistics, Plymouth University, United Kingdom (PU)
7. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Maritime Business and Maritime Law, PU
8. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Maritime Transportation and Logistics, PU
9. Bachelor of Science (Honours) Navigation and Maritime Science, PU
10. Bachelor of Maritime Operations, Maritime Institute Willem Barentsz, The Netherlands with Singapore Polytechnic

Engineering-related degree courses

11. Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Engineering), NTU ***New**
12. Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Science), NTU ***New**
13. Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical & Electronic Engineering), NTU
14. Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical Engineering), NTU
15. Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical Engineering) with specialisation in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, NTU
16. Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) with specialisation in Offshore Engineering, National University of Singapore (NUS)
17. Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Engineering), NUS ***New**
18. Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical) with specialisation in Offshore Oil & Gas Technology, NUS
19. Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical Engineering), NUS
20. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Marine Engineering, Newcastle University, UK with Singapore Institute of Technology (NU - SIT)
21. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Naval Architecture, NU – SIT
22. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Offshore Engineering, NU - SIT
23. Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Electrical Power Engineering, NU – SIT

Computing-related degree courses

24. Bachelor of Computing (Computer Science), NUS ***New**

Maritime diploma courses

1. Diploma in Maritime Business, Singapore Maritime Academy - Singapore Polytechnic (SMA - SP)
2. Diploma in Marine Engineering, SMA - SP
3. Diploma in Nautical Studies, SMA - SP

(B) Tripartite Maritime Scholarship (TMSS) Programme

The Tripartite Maritime Scholarship (TMSS) aims to attract and encourage locals to take up a seafaring career to build a core group of local mariners. This scholarship, sponsored by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), seafarer unions (Singapore Maritime Officers' Union & Singapore Organisation of Seamen) and shipping companies, groom promising students to become Ship Captains and Chief Engineers of ocean-going merchant ships and be the leaders of Singapore's maritime industry.

TMSS is open to students pursuing the Diploma in Nautical Studies or Diploma in Marine Engineering at the Singapore Maritime Academy, Singapore Polytechnic. Pursuing a Diploma in Nautical Studies would prepare you to be a Deck Officer, and eventually lead to the appointment as a Ship's Captain. On the other hand, a Diploma in Marine Engineering would train you to be an engineer on board ship, and eventually lead to the position of Chief Engineer.

This year, 16 TMSS scholarships worth about S\$1.2 million, were given out. The sponsoring companies are APL Co Pte Ltd, NYK Shipmanagement Pte Ltd, PACC Ship Managers Pte Ltd, Pacific International Lines (Pte) Ltd and X-PRESS FEEDERS. To date, more than 150 TMSS scholarships have been awarded.

Courses supported by TMSS

Maritime diploma courses

1. Diploma in Marine Engineering, SMA - SP
2. Diploma in Nautical Studies, SMA - SP