

**MEDIA RELEASE****4,755 graduates take centre stage at Republic Polytechnic's  
13<sup>th</sup> graduation ceremony**

*Pioneer batch of Infocomm Security Management and Engineering Systems  
and Management students graduate this year*

**Singapore, 2 May 2018** – Republic Polytechnic (RP) celebrates the achievements of its 13<sup>th</sup> graduation cohort of 4,407 Pre-employment Training (PET) students, and 348 Continuing education and training (CET) adult learners. This year, a total of 4,755 graduates from 63 PET and CET programmes will receive their diploma certificates over graduation ceremonies across six days, with the second graduation session officiated by **Minister for Culture, Community and Youth, Ms Grace Fu**.

Among the PET graduates is the pioneer cohort of students from the Diploma in Infocomm Security Management (DISM) and Diploma in Engineering Systems and Management (DESM). Launched in 2015, these programmes were introduced to cater to the growing demand for professionals with specialised skills in cybersecurity and multi-disciplinary engineering. The inaugural batch of 51 DISM and 68 DESM graduates now stand ready to support the growth of their respective industry sectors, joining the ranks of over 41,000 RP alumni to date.

**RP Principal/CEO Mr Yeo Li Pheow** said, “Since 2006, RP has nurtured over 41,000 graduates. Today, we are proud of the graduating class of 2018 for their achievements and successes. We also celebrate with the graduating pioneer batch of students from the Diploma in Engineering Systems and Management and Diploma in Infocomm Security Management – This is an example of RP’s efforts in responding nimbly to changing industry needs and demands by nurturing professionals in these sectors.”

“Each year, 100% of our students go on internship placements spanning up to six months with over 1,800 industry partners prior to graduation. These work attachments prepare our graduates to be industry-ready.”

In support of the nationwide SkillsFuture movement for lifelong learning and skills development, RP continues to broaden its CET course offering to equip professionals with relevant and up-to-date skills. RP has unveiled two new Specialist Diplomas, namely the **Specialist Diploma in Digital Content Creation for Business**, and the **Specialist Diploma in Cloud Architecting and Management**. Both are available in either Earn and Learn Programme (ELP) or non-ELP format.

The Specialist Diploma in Digital Content Creation for Business will provide opportunities for participants to deepen their skills and knowledge needed for producing engaging digital content across various distribution platforms, while the Specialist Diploma in Cloud Architecting and Management will equip participants with skills and knowledge in the area of cloud computing architecting, cloud migration and implementation, and cloud security. Classes for the first intake will commence in June 2018.

**Mr Yeo** added, “With the digital economy emerging as a key thrust for Singapore in recent years, these new CET courses will open up more opportunities for those looking to equip themselves with digital skills in the fields of content creation and cloud computing. Graduates of these courses will be well-placed to contribute to the digitalisation journey of companies and industries.”

Top-performing students were also recognised for their outstanding all-rounded achievements. They include the following:

### **BOARD OF GOVERNORS AWARD FOR THE MOST OUTSTANDING GRADUATE OF THE YEAR**

Nadia Asyikin Bte Abdul Malik from the School of Technology for the Arts received the *Board of Governors Award* this year for her exceptional achievements in her studies and extra-curricular activities.

### **NGEE ANN KONGSI AWARD**

Lee Han Ho, Lionel from the School of Engineering received the *Ngee Ann Kongsii Award*, which is presented to the most distinguished graduate of the year who has excelled academically in their studies.

### **LEE KUAN YEW AWARD**

Aloysius Teo Kai Soon and Seto Kae Wen, Avery James, both from the School of Applied Science, and Gautham Pushpanathan from the School of Engineering, received the *Lee Kuan Yew Award for Mathematics and Science* for their excellent performance in a technology or computer science related course.

### **TAY ENG SOON GOLD MEDAL**

Nur Anis Fitri Bte Rajuddin from the School of Management and Communication, received the *Tay Eng Soon Gold Medal*, which is presented to the most outstanding graduate who has advanced from the Institute of Technical Education.

### **About Republic Polytechnic**

The first educational institution in Singapore to leverage the Problem-based Learning approach for all its diploma programmes, Republic Polytechnic (RP) has seven schools and one academic centre offering forty-one diplomas in Applied Science, Engineering, Management and Communication, Hospitality, Infocomm, Sports, Health & Leisure, and Technology for the Arts.

Republic Polytechnic is committed to nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial learning in an environment that develops problem-solving skills and lifelong learning opportunities. Its holistic and broad-based curriculum prepares students for an active and meaningful role in society as problem solvers, respected professionals and passionate citizens.

Republic Polytechnic strives for excellence by achieving various international and national accreditations, including ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001, ISO 22301, Singapore Quality Class, People Developer, Innovation Class, and Service Class.

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