

# Konica Minolta partnered Nanyang Technological University & industrial developer JTC to launch first Advanced Manufacturing Talent Programme

**Singapore**, **18th July 2019** – As one of the Singapore government's new initiative to promote and foster greater collaboration among the vibrant ecosystem of manufacturers, technology providers, research institutes and education institutions, Konica Minolta has partnered Nanyang Technological University (NTU) & Jurong Town Corporation (JTC) to launch the first Advanced Manufacturing Talent Programme.

## NTU-JTC Industry Talent Development Programme (NTU-JTC ITDP)

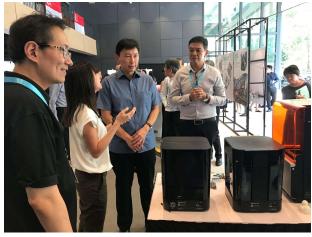
The NTU-JTC ITDP is made up of 2 separate programmes (i) NTU Co-operative Education Programmes (Co-op) and (ii) Equipping and Development via Guided Exposure industry project programmes (EDGE), both offered by NTU to its students. The Co-op is purposed to enhance students' employability and readiness for full-time employment through multiple work-based exposures throughout their course of study while the EDGE is done through short-term authentic and "live" projects sponsored by various organisations. The active and sustained participation from industry players in both Co-op and EDGE allow companies to gain early access to talents and groom them over time through the various internships and projects, building up the talent pipeline for the industry. This programme will also allow more than 200 NTU students to try out internships and projects with eight industry partners including Konica Minolta in the next two years.

Mr Jonathan Yeo, Director and General Manager of Konica Minolta, added, "This new programme is a timely one. As Konica Minolta embarks on our advanced manufacturing journey, we recognise the importance of training and developing skilled workers that will be able to develop advanced technologies and solutions for our customers' needs. This programme gives us an edge in attracting fresh talent and we would like to thank JTC and NTU for giving us this opportunity."





Konica Minolta along with 7 other industry partners signed a MOU with NTU during the official launch and announcement of the NTU-JTC ITDP on the Advanced Manufacturing Day @ Jurong Innovation District (AM Day @ JID) held on 17 July 2019, graced by Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of Education, Mr Chee Hong Tat.





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Konica Minolta's Workplace Hub

Konica Minolta Digital Manufacturing solutions help companies to digitize their operations and processes providing Industrial transformation solutions and services, especially for small and medium size enterprises (SME) who may not have in-house resources to tackle these challenges thus enabling business to optimise their processes within the manufacturing floor across the supply chain through technology innovation.

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