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Singapore Manufacturers' Federation (SMA), Edith Cowan University (ECU) and American Society for Industry Security Society International (ASIS) to launch jointly awarded Professional Diploma in Security Management

SMA School of Management, a wholly owned subsidiary of SMA is proud to announce the launch of the Professional Diploma in Security Management programme, jointly awarded by SMA, Edith Cowan University (ECU) and American Society for Industrial Security society International (ASIS) Singapore. A MOU signing ceremony is set on the 16th August at Le Meridien Hotel to commemorate this event.

Mr Anthony Lee Honorary Chairman of ASIS International Singapore Chapter, Mr. James Wong CEO of SMA School of Management and Ms Liz John International Business Manager of ECU will be present at the signing ceremony. The signing ceremony will be attended by senior officers and administrators from both the private and public agencies together with SMA School of Management, ECU staff members as well as the Committee members from American Society for Industrial Security International (ASIS) Singapore Chapter.

This tripartite collaboration is part of the SMA School of Management ongoing plans to form strategic alliances with key security institutions throughout Asia Pacific. The aim is to strengthen relations, cooperation, enhance greater mutual understanding, and promote professional development in security training and education. This partnership will enable ECU, SMA School of Management and ASIS Singapore Chapter to engage in joint research and development in security management studies, strategic studies, building management systems such as in risk management, counter terrorism, security technology, and security project management. It also aims to conduct regular conferences, seminars and publications will be used to share and exchange research findings in order to benefit wider audiences in the security field.

The Professional Diploma in Security Management is targeted at professional security personnel that include security officers, risk managers, corporate managers, and departmental security supervisors, professional security consultants who are required to conduct security surveys and risk assessment, and investigative work in corporate environment. The course aims to provide students with the relevant knowledge and skills in security risk management, facilities management, law and ethics, security principles, and key security technology essential for career advancement in government security, professional security,

strategic facilities security, retail security, financial institutions security, corporate security, and major security organizations.

"This programme will provide a strong platform for security professionals to expand their knowledge base with a high degree of time flexibility," said Professor Clifton Smith, Associate Professor of Security Science, and Edith Cowan University. "Such a commitment to staff development is critical, given our rapid focus on world wide security"

About Edith Cowan University

Edith Cowan University's origins go back to 1902 when it began as a teaching college. Today it is Western Australia's second largest university with approximately 23,000 students, including in excess of 3,000 students originating from more than 80 countries. Edith Cowan University is located in Perth, Western Australia, a gateway to Asia.

ECU is a contemporary university providing quality tertiary education for the students of today. We pride ourselves on being supportive, flexible and relevant to the real world. We all know that the theory is important but ECU knows that putting what you learn into practice is just as valuable. That's why our courses have a strong focus on providing real life solutions to real life problems. Practical projects, industry placements and guest speakers are key features of our programs.

With over 300 courses, ECU offers the flexibility and freedom to match your own talents and aspirations with a wide range of course options to give you the skills and knowledge to reach your goals.

About SMA School of Management

Founded in 1932, Singapore Manufacturers' Federation (SMA) is one of Singapore's leading Business Associations with over 2,500 corporate members across 11 different industry groups. SMA School of Management, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SMA, offers quality and industry recognized courses from reputable universities and professional institutions.

Leveraging upon SMA's extensive linkages with foreign universities, government agencies, and professional bodies from Australia, Europe, UK and USA, SMA School of Management offers an extensive range of accredited and industry recognized programmes which are registered with the Ministry of Education (MOE), Singapore. These courses range from certificates, diplomas, advanced diplomas, bachelor degree to postgraduate qualifications.

About America Society for Industrial Society for Industrial Security (ASIS) Singapore Chapter

ASIS Singapore Chapter was formed on 25 May 1990, and is an affiliate of ASIS International, the pre-eminent society for professionals responsible for security, including managers and directors of security. The vision of ASIS International is to be the foremost organisation advancing security worldwide. To achieve this vision, ASIS Singapore Chapter will promote excellence in and recognition of the security profession. The Singapore Chapter is also the home base of the ASIS International Region XXXIII, which covers all the countries in South East Asia.