

Press Release

ASCENDAS PARTNERS SINGAPORE POLYTECHNIC TO EXPLORE GREEN TECHNOLOGIES FOR BUILDINGS

- **Singapore Polytechnic to develop solar kiosks with unique design features for Ascendas properties at Science Park**
1. **Singapore, 29 October 2008** - Ascendas, Asia's leading business space solutions provider, has partnered with Singapore Polytechnic to develop and test-bed new energy-efficient and eco-friendly technologies for Ascendas properties in Singapore.
 2. For its first project, Singapore Polytechnic will embark on the design and test-bed of solar kiosks for different contexts and users at Ascendas' buildings in the Singapore Science Park. The solar kiosks will feature eight solar panels and seats for four users to power their laptop computers simultaneously.
 3. Two solar kiosks will be developed for testing and gathering user feedback. One to be located at the alfresco cafe in Galen Building, Science Park II, and another to be located within Singapore Polytechnic's campus. Other design features that may be incorporated into the kiosks include a light cone for nighttime illumination and panels for water harvesting.
 4. Mr Tan Yew Chin, CEO of Ascendas Land (Singapore) said, "Our partnership with Singapore Polytechnic underscores our commitment to engage our community and explore innovations that ensure we are resource-friendly in our operations. The partnership enables Ascendas to leverage on Singapore Polytechnic's extensive research and knowledge in the fields of sustainable energy and built environment. At the same time, we hope to enhance the educational experiences of the students by providing opportunities for industry exposure and real life applications of their knowledge."

5. As part of the collaboration, Ascendas and Singapore Polytechnic will also explore funding options for new initiatives and projects, as well as the offering of scholarships, book prizes and industry training programmes to Singapore Polytechnic students.

6. Added Mr Tan Hang Cheong, Principal of Singapore Polytechnic, “We are very excited to have this opportunity to work with one of Singapore’s leading and most reputable companies. This partnership will tremendously increase our students’ learning experience as they can now test their innovations in a commercial environment. We look forward to a mutually beneficial and long term relationship with Ascendas.”

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Ascendas in Asia

Ascendas is Asia’s leading provider of business space solutions with key markets in Singapore, China, India, South Korea and the Philippines. Based in Singapore, Ascendas has built a strong regional presence and serves a global clientele of over 1,800 customers.

Ascendas specializes in developing, managing and marketing IT parks, industrial & logistics parks, business parks, science parks, hi-tech facilities, office and retail space. Its flagships include the Singapore Science Park, International Tech Park Bangalore in India, Dalian-Ascendas IT Park in China and Carmelray Industrial Park II in the Philippines. Ascendas provides end-to-end real estate solutions, assisting corporate customers through the entire real estate process.

In November 2002, Ascendas launched Singapore’s first business space trust, the Ascendas Real Estate Investment Trust (A-REIT). In August 2007, the Ascendas India Trust (a-iTrust) was launched as Singapore’s first listed Indian property trust. Ascendas also demonstrated its strength in real estate fund management with a series of private real estate funds established across Asia.

About Singapore Polytechnic

Established in 1954 to meet the manpower needs identified by the government, Singapore Polytechnic (SP) is Singapore’s first educational institution of its kind. Its

nine academic schools offer 45 full-time diploma courses for its 14,900 students and courses are kept relevant through close links with industry and government bodies, as well as with various overseas institutions.

SP offers broad-based, multi-disciplinary and flexible curriculum dedicated to hands-on experience and is committed to the development of its applied research and development capability to enhance the quality of teaching and commercialisation efforts.

Beyond the classroom, close to 90 student clubs covering areas like arts, culture, sports and community service make student life vibrant and fulfilling. The presence of foreign students from countries such as China, India, Myanmar and Indonesia also provides a variety of cultures and perspectives, nurturing a global mindset in Singapore Polytechnic students.

Among SP's 144,400 graduates are successful entrepreneurs, top executives in multinational and public-listed corporations, and well-known professionals, many of whom are captains of industries, university professors and researchers, and leaders in government.

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