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PSA Corporation Ltd and The Institution of Engineers, Singapore Launch Chartered Engineer Certification Programme for the Port and Marine Sector

To develop engineering talent for the maritime industry, PSA Corporation Ltd and The Institution of Engineers, Singapore (IES) today launched the Chartered Engineer certification programme for the port and marine sector. Launched by IES in 2013, the Chartered Engineer certification programme is an external validation of an engineer's experience, expertise and technical competence across various sectors. This collaboration allows port engineers with the requisite experience and training to be conferred a globally recognised and prestigious certification of engineering professionalism.

Regional CEO Southeast Asia, PSA International, Mr Ong Kim Pong and Deputy President, IES, Dr Yeoh Lean Weng presented the certificates for this Chartered Engineer programme to the pioneer batch of 13 engineers from the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, PSA, Jurong Port, Portek International and National University of Singapore. These engineers have passed a rigorous assessment process that looks at their experience and skills in managing complex engineering systems and commitment to developing the skills of others in the engineering profession.

In tandem with the certification, PSA will collaborate with IES to identify relevant skills development programmes for the engineers to enhance their engineering capabilities, to meet the needs of the intelligent port of the future.

Mr Ong Kim Pong, Regional CEO Southeast Asia, PSA International, said, "PSA is delighted to have found in IES a like-minded partner that believes in the professionalisation and development of engineers. This programme will give engineers from PSA and the industry an opportunity to receive internationally recognised validation of their experience, and a respected mark of professional competency. This collaboration will elevate the prestige of engineering careers in the port industry, attracting and retaining the talent needed for the future."

Dr Yeoh Lean Weng, Deputy President, IES, said, "IES is pleased to launch the Chartered Engineer Certification Programme for the port and marine sector - one of the key contributors to Singapore's economic growth. The programme's stringent peer review system and international benchmarking will help to build a strong core of competent engineers to support the development of the Tuas mega port and strengthen Singapore's position as a leading global maritime hub."

Mr Jonathan Lee, Assistant Vice President, Pasir Panjang Terminal 1 Engineering, one of the Chartered Engineers appointed today, said, "I appreciate this international recognition as it spurs me on to deepen my professional knowhow, drive innovation and develop new technologies to meet the needs of the future."

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About PSA Corporation Ltd

PSA Singapore, a fully-owned subsidiary of PSA International, 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. Its excellence in port operations has consistently been recognised by the shipping community. In 2017, it was voted the "Best Container Terminal (Asia)" at the Asian Freight, Logistics and Supply Chain Awards. PSA Singapore Terminals handled 30.59 million TEUs of containers in 2016. Visit us at www.singaporepsa.com and www.facebook.com/singaporepsa.

**Note to Editors: PSA ceased using the name of "Port of Singapore Authority" in 1997 when it became a corporatised entity. The company should be referred to as "PSA Corporation Ltd", "PSA Singapore" or simply "PSA".*

About The Institution of Engineers, Singapore

The Institution of Engineers, Singapore (IES) was formally established in July 1966 as the national society of engineers in Singapore. IES is the premier engineering institution in Singapore and is called upon by the Government to provide feedback on professional engineering matters.

IES is well represented among the faculty members of the major engineering institutions of higher learning in Singapore. Through close collaboration with the local universities and polytechnics, IES organises courses, seminars and talks for engineers and IES members to advance the continuous development of engineers.

The Institution maintains close links with professional organisations of engineers regionally and throughout the world. These include organisations in Australia, China, Japan, United Kingdom and the United States. The Institution also represents Singapore in the ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organizations (AFEO) and the Federation of Engineering Institutions of Asia and the Pacific (FEIAP) in promoting goodwill and fellowship among all engineers in ASEAN and the Asia-Pacific region.

Through its Engineering Accreditation Board (EAB), IES obtained full signatory status in the Washington Accord (WA) in June 2006. The entry grants IES the authority to represent Singapore, the first country within the ASEAN region which has obtained full signatory status in the WA, to vet education systems under the WA mutual recognition framework.

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