



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members and Guests

Once again, thank you for joining us at today's Management Council 2016/2017 Installation Ceremony.

The Management Council Installation is a very important and meaningful event for the new council members. I recall I was first installed as Membership Chairman in 2007. Since then, I have worked with 3 Presidents and about 20 plus Council Members. Time flies and well I am 8 years senior now. Throughout these eight years, I learnt from mentors and other council members about event planning, minute-taking, presentation skills and many more. Gradually I grew in confidence and decided to come forward to assist the Association in an even more responsible role.

Being installed as President 2016/2017, I felt the weight of both the President Collar and the Gavel. I am fortunate to have an energetic and "everything achievable" Management Council team to support SAAP as well as to overcome obstacles which may come our way. We believe all of us from different backgrounds can complement and supplement our talents to raise the profile of SAAP.

I would like to share with you how SAAP is now more visible locally, thanks to the efforts of present and past Management Councils:

- We strengthened our partnership with Management Development Institute of Singapore with the signing of an MOU in February 2015 as their Institutional partner
- We also signed an MOU with NTUC U Associate in February 2016 as one of their UA partners. Thus, SAAP plays an important role in identifying and addressing the needs of members and other Professionals, Managers and Executives (PMEs) in different sectors. We are also in the process of reviewing the feasibility of the Administrative Professionals Development Programme with NTUC U Associate.

Management Council 2016/2017 will continue to explore more collaboration opportunities with business partners to enhance privileges for our members and to generate more revenue to support SAAP. We will also look into to set up some other Task Forces eg. Young Member Task Force to assist the current Standing Committees.

Last but not least, we trust that all of you, as Ambassadors of SAAP, will come forward to promote SAAP at every opportunity which comes your way. I would also like to extend my sincere gratitude to my fellow council members, our member volunteers, and our invited speaker who have contributed their time and effort to make today's event a success.

Thank you

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President 2016/2017

