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Dear friends,

The Young Social Entrepreneurs (YSE) programme welcomed 269 young changemakers into the YSE family this year through the YSE 2017 programme and three overseas workshops.

YSE Pitching for Change 2017

After a valuable eight-month programme comprising of a four-day workshop in Singapore, a mentorship scheme and a study visit to Mumbai, 16 shortlisted social enterprises regrouped in Singapore on 3 November for Pitching for Change. Congratulations to the six winners who impressed our judges with their pitch! These founders have shown our panel that they have what it takes to build a sound, sustainable and scalable business with a capable team committed to delivering social impact. They each receive SGD20,000 as well as mentorship from industry experts to help them grow in the next stage of their social entrepreneurship journey.

YSE 2017 Winning Social Enterprises

1. [Auctorem Solutions \(India\)](#)
2. [Bhumihara \(Indonesia\)](#)
3. [Freedom Cups \(Singapore\)](#)
4. [GigiCare \(Indonesia\)](#)
5. [JM Nutrition Consultancy \(Malaysia\)](#)
6. [Lakshya Jeevan Jagriti \(India\)](#)

As part of Pitching for Change, YSE alumni and our partners also facilitated “Changing the Conversation” with the current YSEs and guests. These engaging discussions around various social and environmental problems explores how different stakeholders can collaborate towards innovative solutions that create greater impact.



Camp Hiro from Singapore pitching to the panel with a demonstration of their aging simulation suit designed to increase empathy in youth



Louis, founder of Praxium (YSE 2016), facilitating a discussion on how to collaborate with parents to develop the talents of teenage children.



Auctorem Solutions showcasing the medicinal honey produced by the tribes they work with in Maharashtra, India.

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YSE 2017 Winning Social Enterprises with SIF Chairman, Governors, Executive Director and judges Ng Shin Ein, Managing Partner, Gryphus Capital; Elim Chew, Special Advisor to SIF YSE programme and Founder, 77th Street; Annie Yeo, Head of CSR, Asia Pacific, Deutsche Bank; Jonathan Chang, Executive Director, Lien Centre for Social Innovation and Acting Executive Director, Institute for Societal Leadership, Singapore Management University and Tee Fong Seng, Founding Member, Asia Philanthropic Ventures.

YSE Overseas Workshops

YSE has expanded our overseas workshops to engage more outstanding young changemakers in the region. Over the past four months, we organised workshops in Kuala Lumpur, Jakarta and Mumbai with Singaporeans and local leaders in the social entrepreneurship and business fields to share their expertise, and exchange best practices with the participants. In each workshop, one social enterprise was selected as the winner to receive customised mentorship and to join us on next year's YSE Study Visit.



Zaim Mohzani, Founder, Nation Building School (Moderator); Raj Ridvan Singh, Founder & CEO, SOLS 24/7; Syakir Hashim, COO and Co-Founder of Skolafund (YSE 2013 Alumnus); Elim Chew, Special Advisor to SIF YSE programme and Patsian Low, Social Impact Consultant on the panel for Global Goals Mixers: "Scaling Impact Beyond Borders", held as part of the YSE Workshop | Kuala Lumpur.



YSE Workshop | Kuala Lumpur participants with business clinic mentors. These experienced business practitioners and entrepreneurs from both Malaysia and Singapore gave them tailored advice to improve on their business plans.

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YSE Workshop | Jakarta participants brainstorming on their enterprises' core organisational values during the workshop session on "Organisational Structure for Growth".



As part of the three-day workshop, participants in India learned about leadership and team dynamics through a fun experiential session.

From funders, mentors, judges, speakers, alumni to network partners, we wish to thank everyone who have contributed to the growth of these social enterprises and the success of YSE in 2017! We look forward to creating more impact through meaningful businesses with you again in 2018. YSE 2018 applications are open till 10 December, find out more [here!](#)

Warmest wishes,
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