

PASSION WITH A PURPOSE

ECDA FELLOWS EMBRACE NEW MEMBERS INTO THEIR FRATERNITY.

On 5 April 2018, the ECDA Fellows programme will welcome eight more early childhood leaders into its inaugural group of 14 members at the Stephen Riady Auditorium @ NTUC, Level 7. As with previous ECDA Fellows, the new Fellows were chosen because of their deep expertise in the early childhood (EC) field, exemplary professionalism and strong leadership skills.

ECDA Advisor Dr Sum Chee Wah, who sits on the selection panel for ECDA Fellows, says, "Through the interaction between ECDA Fellows and other centre leaders, there will be an expanding cadre of leaders to uplift the overall quality of the sector."

In addition to their existing work responsibilities, ECDA Fellows will take on sector-level roles in these key areas:

- ▶ **Professional Development:** Facilitating master classes and workshops for EC educators; mentoring and coaching leaders and senior teachers from other centres
- ▶ **Curriculum Leadership:** Guiding centres in the design, implementation and review of their curricula or teaching and learning approaches
- ▶ **Sector Partnership:** Partnering ECDA in spearheading improvements for the sector

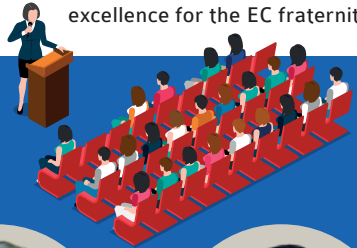
FORGING AHEAD

Over the past two years, ECDA Fellows have been conducting Inquiry-Based Action Plan (IBAP) projects for EC leaders to deepen the sector's professional knowledge and leadership skills. The project topics range from the Early Years Programme, Curriculum Innovation to Parent Engagement

and Strategic Planning.

The new ECDA Fellows will join the inaugural batch of Fellows to train and mentor the EC leaders through their IBAP projects. Educators can also look forward to more sharing and networking opportunities with the ECDA Fellows at the Community of EC Leaders events in the coming year.

"Being appointed as an ECDA Fellow marks a key milestone in my early childhood journey of 20 years," says one of the newly appointed Fellows, Ms Melissa Goh. "I have seen positive changes in the way we approach early childhood curriculum, partnerships and professional development. It is an exciting time to be an EC educator. As an ECDA Fellow, I will strive to be a strong advocate of quality early childhood care and education and professional excellence for the EC fraternity." ♥



STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

Meet the fraternity of ECDA Fellows.



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Lead Executive Principal,
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MRS ANG-OH CHUI HWA
Principal,
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MS AVA WANG
Curriculum Specialist,
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MRS ELSIE TAN-CHUA
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DR GERALDINE TEO-ZUARTE
Group Professional Practices Officer,
NTUC First Campus;
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