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MOUS WITH SIAE AND AAIS ENABLE STRATEGIC COOPERATION IN DEVELOPING AVIATION INDUSTRY



In a bid to establish Singapore's aviation industry as a dynamic and vibrant hub, the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) recently inked two Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with the Singapore Institute of Aerospace Engineers (SIAE) and the Association of Aerospace Industries (Singapore) (AAIS). Both MOUs were signed on 29 January during the Aviation Community Reception held at the SAA.

The MOU between CAAS and AAIS will enable both organisations to cooperate and plan strategies to develop the industry further and will promote innovation, developing capabilities and niches of excellence among the various sectors of the aviation industry, including manpower development.

The MOU has specific areas of cooperation, such as joint projects and programmes; regular focus group discussions on various issues; joint marketing efforts among Singapore's aviation sectors at international platforms; manpower development; and other areas of mutual interest. The MOU between CAAS and SIAE focused on developing a world-class manpower and talent base for the country's aviation sector. The MOU has three main objectives: to enhance professional development of aviation personnel; encourage a freer environment between both organisations to share information and expertise; and attract more Singaporeans to join the industry.

To achieve these objectives, CAAS and SIAE have individual and joint projects that target aviation industry professionals and career-seekers, via regular forums to exchange information and ideas. They also organise workshops and talks as well as outreach programmes, conferences and seminars — all of which are designed to attract more people to consider careers in the country's aviation sector.