

BOND

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Institute of Singapore

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MDIS ALUMNI CARD

A card that connects... and more



Dear Alumni,

Welcome to the Alumni Community of the **Management Development Institute of Singapore (MDIS)**. Enjoy an array of benefits with the new MDIS Alumni Card (MAC), including exclusive invitations to activities, Alumni event updates and discounts from our partners.

We look forward to seeing you at our MDIS Alumni Community events where you can keep in touch with your classmates and stay connected with your alma mater.

Have not received your card yet? Simply contact us at **6473 5885** or alumni@mdis.edu.sg today!

Exclusively for MDIS Alumni Card Holders

- Attractive rebates for progression students
- Auditorium and Facility Rental at member's rates
- Discount on selected items at Brew and Bites Café
- Enjoy special MDIS Toastmasters Club membership rate @ S\$107 per annum
- Exclusive invitations to Alumni events
- Gym and Badminton Court Usage at member's rates
- Special rates on Management Development & Consultancy (MDC) and Service Quality Centre (SQC) courses / programmes for personal and professional development
- TV Room and Pool Table Booking

THE MDIS EXPERIENCE

2017 has been a year of celebrations and our strategies were successful as we continue to make our mark in the industry, affirmed through big wins in various corporate awards. As a mark of business excellence, MDIS have been ranked 4th out of 50 companies in the prestigious Enterprise 50 awards. We have also been awarded the Largest MBA Programmes and Providers in the Singapore Business Review Awards. The institute was also recognised for outstanding health practices with the Merit Award for the Singapore HEALTH Award 2017. Our corporate training arm, Management Development and Consultancy, was also awarded the Silver Award for Best IT Training Provider in the HR Vendors of the Year Award 2017.

As we move into 2018, I am proud to announce that in the next quarter, we will be opening our dedicated School of Nursing. Recognising the importance of healthcare professionals, MDIS is partnering with Edinburgh Napier University (UK) to nurture future-ready graduates that can immediately contribute to the industry. Further into the year, we are also expecting the opening of our second overseas campus in Johor, Malaysia. Kolej MDIS Malaysia will be equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure that can accommodate up to 10,000 students once fully completed. Over in MDIS Tashkent, the on-going expansion for a new academic block is also slated for completion in the 4th Quarter.

Programmes-wise, MDIS will be providing more industry-relevant courses with applied learning opportunities that are SkillsFuture Credit Eligible. The institute will also be expanding the range of Workforce Skills Qualification (WSQ) Approved Courses, which are jointly awarded by overseas institutions/universities and will help enhance the capabilities, productivity and growth of the workforce.

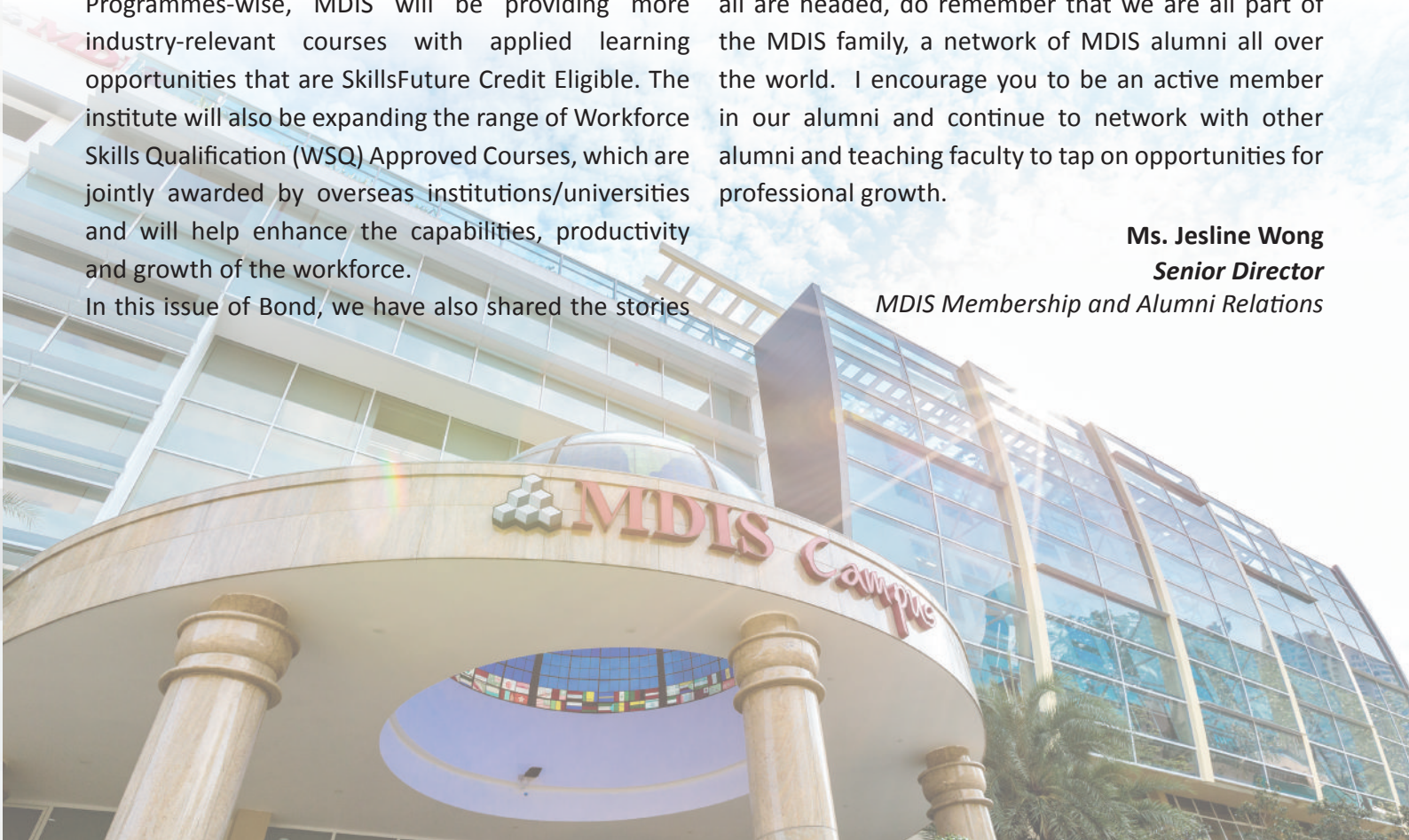
In this issue of Bond, we have also shared the stories

of two of our outstanding Alumni. Ms Cecilia Satryo, a television host in Indonesia, is an alumna from our MDIS Business School. Although she stepped into a totally different industry, learn how she makes use of the soft skills picked up during her time in MDIS to navigate the challenges faced. Next, we have Mr Syed Yousuff who fulfilled his dream of attaining a Master's degree at age 40. Mr Yousuff shares with us how he balanced his time between work, family and education. His spirit of lifelong learning is an inspiration to all of us.

Just as Ms Cecilia and Mr Yousuff are making waves in their respective industries, we all are moving forward in our respective paths. No matter where we all are headed, do remember that we are all part of the MDIS family, a network of MDIS alumni all over the world. I encourage you to be an active member in our alumni and continue to network with other alumni and teaching faculty to tap on opportunities for professional growth.

Ms. Jesline Wong
Senior Director

MDIS Membership and Alumni Relations



FEATURE

MDIS ESTABLISHES A DEDICATED NURSING SCHOOL

Recognising future industry needs and manpower requirements, MDIS sets up a School of Nursing, dedicated to the training and education of nurses pursuing their post-registration degrees.

Set against the backdrop of ageing population, Singapore's healthcare landscape will inherit the standard challenges and will pose a few that would be specific to a predominantly geriatric population. This signals the continued and increasing need for nursing and other healthcare professionals. Thus, MDIS has set up a dedicated Nursing School for the training and education of nurses pursuing their post registration degrees.

For our new School of Nursing, we have partnered up with Edinburgh Napier University (UK), to deliver a two-year post registration Bachelor of Science Nursing (Top-up). Launched with an inaugural batch of more than 70 students, the programme will enable nursing students to acquire knowledge, skills,

and competencies across healthcare settings and communities. The programme is also accredited by the Singapore Nursing Board (SNB).

MDIS School of Nursing has two dedicated classrooms equipped with specialised nursing equipment so students can gain practical experience. In the pipeline, there are plans to open up to five more such classrooms, with a industry-relevant variety of basic and specialty nursing equipment. The School of Nursing is also planning expansion of programme offerings into other healthcare support programmes such as Nursing care, Physiotherapy support, Geriatrics care, and Healthcare Management and Clinical Research.

If you are someone who is looking for a rewarding career that provides fulfilment every day, Nursing could be the ideal choice for you. Call us at 6247 9111 or visit the website at www.mdiss.edu.sg more information.



An ambitious and innovative university with strong links to the health and social care industry, Edinburgh Napier University (UK), offers programmes taught by academics and industry professionals who are experts in their fields, giving graduates the best chance of career success. A double award winner of the prestigious Queen's Anniversary Prize, the University is recognised for its internationally-acclaimed research.



Ranked in the World Top 5%

The Times Higher Education World University Rankings has put it in the top 5% of universities, while QS Stars has awarded it five stars for employability, teaching and internationalisation.



World-Leading Research

More than half of Edinburgh Napier University's research was rated either "world-leading" or "internationally excellent" in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF).



Student Support

Edinburgh Napier University has supported more than 350 student start-up companies, and a 2014 report by Biggar Economics named Edinburgh Napier University as the most successful university in Scotland for graduate enterprise and start-ups.

BRAVING UNFAMILIAR GROUNDS WITH CONFIDENCE

Proud alumni of MDIS and a successful graduate of the University of Bradford, Cecilia Satryo shares with us on her experience at MDIS, her satisfaction from working in the dynamic media industry and her future plans.



Cecilia Satryo is a Television host in Indonesia's Metro TV, a 24-hour news channel. With her flair and confidence in hosting the programme, Xinwen Plus, one may easily assume that this media darling graduated from a mass communication or media related discipline. Would anyone have guessed that she actually graduated with a Bachelor of Science (Hons) in International Business and Management programme?

Cecilia decided to further her studies overseas just after she finished her high school in Indonesia. The well-established MDIS Business School with the variety of business courses was one of the biggest pull factors for her to choose MDIS as the first choice for her degree studies. Additionally, she was also drawn to the convenience of the on-campus hostel and well equipped campus facilities.

During her time in MDIS, Cecilia maximised her campus experience by joining four MDIS clubs. The Angel Hearts Club for charity work, MDIS Business Club, Toastmasters club and Badminton club. Balancing her time for her studies and the club activities honed her time management skills, which proved very useful for her work now.

Besides learning specialty knowledge and skills from her degree, the foreign education she received in MDIS also made her a more critical thinker. Cecilia shared, "When I am doing projects, I am trained to

think analytically, which is entirely different education system from high school education in my home country."

These soft skills picked up at MDIS proved to be useful when she decided to join the media industry, as a News Reporter at Metro TV, despite having an opportunity to join a bank in Indonesia, directly related to her studies. "I want to be a business owner and a public figure in Indonesia. Joining the media industry will expose me to a wide network of people which will help in my goals for the future", Cecilia shared.

She added, " I was not afraid even though the industry is new and unfamiliar to me. I believe my communication, interpersonal, time management and critical thinking skills picked up in the various MDIS Clubs I joined will allow me to excel in media. I am confident to be strong enough to take on ambiguity and challenges that come my way."

"You will be able to accomplish far more than you can imagine if you are devoted and pushing yourself constantly, even in situations you are unfamiliar in," Cecilia adds.



A SPIRIT OF LIFELONG LEARNING

When we talk about lifelong learners, students like Mr Syed Yousuff are always a big inspiration. At age 40, Mr Yousuff fulfilled his dream with MDIS, attaining his Master of Science in Health Sciences (Management) degree from Northumbria University (UK) as the top student, 16 years after his degree programme back in 1999.



Prior to starting his Master's programme at MDIS, Mr Yousuff was working with one of the leading pharmaceutical companies in Singapore. In the mid of 2015, Mr Yousuff took a leap of faith and decided to hit the books again.

"It was already a challenge in maintaining Work-Life balance. Throwing a Master's education into the mix, I will be joking if I said that I wasn't worried at the beginning," Mr Yousuff shared. Undeterred, Mr Yousuff went ahead with his decision to pursue his studies and maintained this dedicate balance with proper time-management, determination and a constant push on himself to overcome challenges.

"MDIS has provided the perfect academic platform for me to excel in my studies and to learn in ways that are innovative and creative. The lecturers have provided invaluable guidance and wisdom. Beside academic knowledge, important management skills such as strategic management, leadership and collaboration and change execution management were also imparted. These skills will definitely come in handy as I progress on with my career aspirations," Mr Yousuff shared.

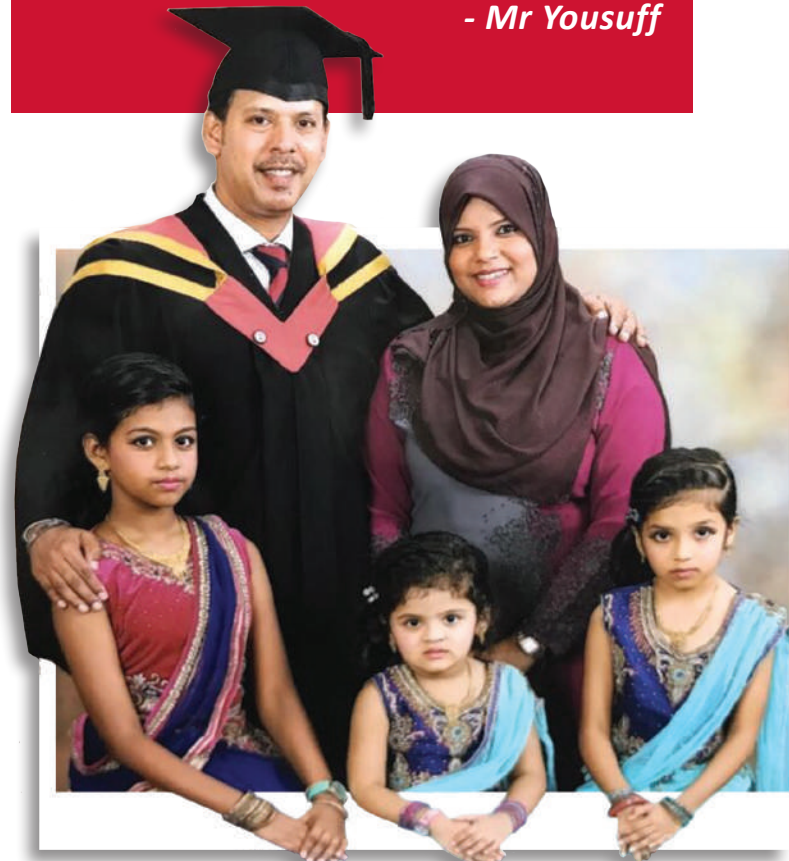
During his studies here in MDIS, Mr Yousuff managed to link up with leading Bio-Pharmaceutical MNC, Merck MSD Singapore, where he is currently serving as the Associate Director of Engineering.

Mr Yousuff aims to continue in his learning journey. "I am always hungry for learning and excited to have opportunities to broaden my knowledge and exposure. I will be looking to do a Master's in Public Administration or a Doctorate in Business Administration in the next five years," Mr Yousuff added.

When asked about his future aspirations, Mr Yousuff aims to be working in the public healthcare sector or the Ministry of Health. His passion lies in bringing value to the lives of others and be able to have his work positively impacting patients in need.

"I felt that my studies at MDIS really helped me to excel in my work and enable me to do better. My programme of study is linked to my current work with a bio-pharmaceutical company. The industry-relevant skills and knowledge learnt from my Master's programme are applied on a daily basis. Soft-skills allowed me to navigate the diverse workplace easily. I am very thankful to have done my Master's in MDIS."

- Mr Yousuff





MDIS

Management Development & Consultancy
The Corporate Training Arm of MDIS

Who We Are?

MDC provides a wide range of well-designed programmes specially catered for business organisations with different training needs.



Download our
2018 Training Calendar



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MDC's key services include seminars, customised training programmes and business consultancy services designed to equip professionals with essential tools of the trade. By putting theoretical knowledge into practice for our training programmes, MDC has since become a reputable company recognised for developing the next wave of dynamic corporate and business professionals.

We listen to our clients carefully and are able to support them to achieve real behavioral change in a business world that is constantly evolving. When industries and the business world demand new skills, MDC is there to provide the support.

We customise courses for unique corporate needs ...



Overseas Business

Training that's trusted worldwide

MDC Overseas Business unit offers customised and cross-cultural training programmes for individuals and corporates. Our experienced, resourceful and dedicated team works closely with many organisations from a wide range of industries and agencies.

MDC conducts immersion programmes and corporate training for overseas participants from Asia Pacific, Africa, UAE, Russia and Uzbekistan. Our learning programmes are led by accredited, highly experienced and engaging trainers, facilitators and coaches. MDC continues to develop and customise new well-designed programmes to keep up with market trends and organisations' training needs. For overseas business enquiries, please visit us at mdc.mdis.edu.sg.

EVENTS



THE MDIS 3V3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT 2017

MDIS Membership & Alumni Relations organised a 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament on 4th March 2017. Held at the foyer outside the Auditorium at Campus, a total of 105 participants turned up for the tournament.

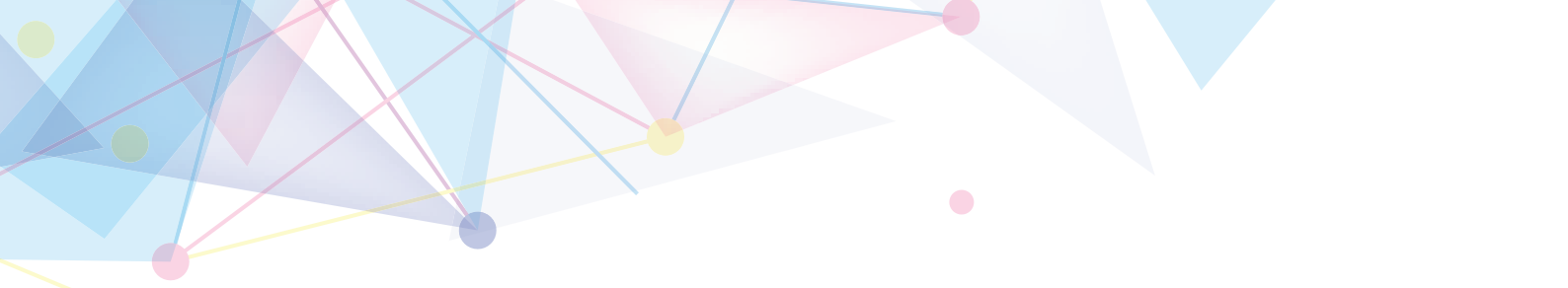
The tournament provided many show stopping moments and professional basketball plays. Former MDIS Basketball Team and current Alumni, Mr. Poon Wei Guang and his teammates, displayed a great performance and came in second.

MDIS MOVIE NIGHT: *Marvels Guardian of the Galaxy Vol 2*

The annual Movie Night for Alumni, students, corporate members and their friends was held at Golden Village, Vivo City in April 2017. Over 150 Alumnus and members attended the event. All of them were treated to drinks and popcorn while enjoying the movie screening of Marvel's Guardians of the Galaxy Volume 2.

Do check out our MDIS website to keep up with our latest events. We will be screening Avengers: Infinity War in 2018 for our next movie night. Stay tuned and register early to avoid disappointment!





MDIS FUN BOWL

A ten-pin bowling session was held at West Coast Recreational Centre which attracted over 30 alumnus and students. Through the games, participants had competitive fun and forged new friendships. Our Alumni Ms Cecilia Lin and Ms Apple Tan won Ladies Champion and Runner-up respectively.

COOKIE BAKING

Following the success of the Chocolate Lava Cake Workshop, The Alumni Relations office had organised a Cute Cookie Baking Workshop on 23 September 2017. Participants got to learn how to bake butter cookies and more importantly, how to make the icing to decorate the cookies. MDIS' in-house Chef, Ek Seng, shared practical tips in preparing the perfect cookie dough, baking techniques and how to judge the consistency of the icing for coating and drawing of patterns on the cookies.

The workshop was filled with excitement, fun and much laughter. Participants were thrilled to bake and design their own cookies, bringing home a special treat to share with their loved ones. We will let the pictures do the talking. Do subscribe to the Membership monthly newsletter to get updates on upcoming workshops like this!



EVENTS CALENDAR 2018

**23-24
FEB**

Chingay 2018

Parade 1
Date: 23 Feb 2018, Sat
Time: 8pm

Parade 2
Date: 24 Feb 2018, Sun
Time: 8pm

Venue: F1 Pit Building & the Floating Platform

Take part into the largest street performance and Float Parade in Asia! Expect lots of fun, glitz and glamour as we put up an energetic show that well represents MDIS.

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**MDIS Movie Night Presents
MARVEL'S AVENGERS:
INFINITY WAR**

Venue: Golden Village, VivoCity
Please check our website for more details.

Let's be the first to catch MARVEL'S AVENGERS: INFINITY WAR the sequel to 2012's Marvel's The Avengers and 2015's Avengers: Age of Ultron and the nineteenth film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU).

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MAR**

**MDIS Open
House**



Time: 10am - 5pm
Venue: MDIS Campus,
501 Stirling Road
Singapore 148951

(Free Shuttle Service at Queenstown MRT)

The annual MDIS Open House will be held on 3 March 2018 at MDIS Campus. Exciting school activities, free goodie bag and snacks awaits you at the Open House! Learn to make your own cup of Latte, interpret your dreams or do flower illustration! Meet Mediacorp 987 Radio DJs Sonia and Gerald from 11am – 1pm.

Sign up during Open House and get up to \$3000 rebate! (Terms and conditions apply)

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MAR**

**Breakfast talk with
Singapore Council of
Women's Organisations**

Jointly organised with Singapore Council of Women's Organisations, this upcoming breakfast talk will be on Population ageing: longer working life, higher retirement savings in conjunction with International Women's Day on 8 March 2018.

MAY

**MDIS Basketball 3-ON-3
Tournament**

Please check our website for more details.

Come and have a great time as you pit your skills in a friendly competition. Winners stand to take home prizes worth up to \$2,000.

JUN

Paintball Session in 2018

Please check our website for more details.

Paintball, a game and sport which is unisex in nature, it aims to enrich one on teamwork, heighten on agility and environment awareness.

Join us for a fun and adrenaline-filled session!

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- 10% discount off all coating packages

Terms and Conditions

- Not valid for use in conjunction with other promotions, discounts or coupons

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- Enjoy 20% off regular priced merchandise

Terms and Conditions

- Please present MDIS membership card for verification purposes
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- Terms and Conditions Apply
- Valid in Tony Moly Singapore outlets only

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Discounts and Privileges

- S\$5 off per adult for two-way ticket to Batam, Sekupang and Waterfront Terminals

Terms and Conditions

- Valid for MDIS card holder and his/her guest(s) under 1 receipt transaction
- Card holder must flash physical card at Sindo Ferry Counter for verification
- Valid for all weekdays, weekends including Public Holidays
- Promotion is not exchangeable for cash and cannot be used in conjunction with any other promotion
- Ferry ticket sold is strictly non-refundable whether in whole or in part
- Sindo Ferry reserves the right not to accept any MDIS card that may have or appear to have been forged, damaged, defaced or otherwise tampered with
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- 10% discount for F&B at Tanjong Puteri Golf Resort Berhad

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- F&B discount is only valid for guests who are staying in the resort
- Please present MDIS Member's card or Staff pass for verification purposes
- Other Terms & Conditions apply

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- 15% off total bill

Terms and Conditions

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- Valid for Dine-In only
- Valid daily (excluding public holidays and eve of public holiday)
- Not valid in conjunction with other discounts and promotion vouchers

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At MDIS, we nurture and amplify the potential of our students while encouraging them to become lifelong learners. For more than 60 years, we have fostered professionals capable of carving out exciting careers and positively impacting society.

- MDIS Business School**
- Accounting & Finance[~]
 - Accounting & Financial Management
 - Banking & Finance[~]
 - Business Administration
 - Business Management
 - Business & Marketing
 - Business Studies & Finance
 - Human Resource Management
 - International Business
 - International Marketing
 - Management Studies **NEW**
 - Public Administration & Management **NEW**
 - Public Service Management **NEW**
 - Supply Chain Management **NEW**

- School of Engineering**
- Electrical & Electronic Engineering
 - Engineering Management
 - Mechanical Engineering
 - Project Management

- School of Fashion & Design**
- Fashion Design
 - Fashion Design & Marketing
 - Fashion Marketing & Branding
 - Fashion Product & Promotion **NEW**

- School of Health & Life Sciences**
- Biomedical Science
 - Biotechnology
 - Health Sciences (Management)
 - Safety, Health & Environmental Management

- School of Languages**
- Education Studies **NEW**

- School of Media & Communications**
- Broadcast Media Production **NEW**
 - Mass Communications
 - Media, Culture & Communication

- School of Nursing**
- Nursing **NEW**

- School of Psychology**
- Psychology

- School of Technology**
- Information Technology **NEW**

- School of Tourism & Hospitality**
- International Tourism & Hospitality Management
 - Professional Cookery
 - Tourism & Hospitality **NEW**
 - Tourism, Hospitality & Events Management
 - Travel, Tourism & Hospitality Management

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