

Graduation Ceremony 2002

(for the June 2002 Examination sitting)

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ACCA/ICPAS Graduation Ceremony 2002

Graduation Programme

Date: Thursday 14 November 2002
Venue: Suntec Singapore International Convention & Exhibition Centre
1 Raffles Boulevard, Suntec City,
Singapore 039593
Ballroom 1 - 3, Level 2

Time	Event
1230	Arrival of Affiliates' Guests
1300	Arrival of VIPs & Commencement of Ceremony
1330	Address by Mr Tan Boen Eng, President of ICPAS
	Address by Mr Samuel Wong, Deputy President of ACCA
	Presentation of Certificates & Awards
	Address by Graduate Representatives Ms Cao Min and Ms Lillis Kodirin
1600	Reception

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The Institute Of Certified Public Accountants Of Singapore

Samuel Wong, Deputy President ACCA



I am pleased to write this message on the occasion of another ACCA/ ICPAS Graduation ceremony. Please accept the best wishes of the ACCA Council on your notable achievements.

As all of you will know, the joint ACCA / ICPAS examinations are demanding, and we make no apology for that. We have to maintain the confidence of employers and clients that people holding the qualification are experts in accounting and auditing who have the strategic financial and management skills which are increasingly important in the modern business world. The examinations are tough but they are fair, and they continue to be the most popular choice for

accountancy students in Singapore and around the world.

It takes a special kind of person to get through the ACCA/ ICPAS examinations; someone who is not only knowledgeable but is a self-starter with a great deal of commitment. Such skills will stand you all in good stead for the future.

Today's ceremony has been organised jointly with the Singapore national body and I should like formally to thank the Institute's leadership for its efforts in this regard.

Finally, I should like to congratulate again those of you being honoured today. A special word of thanks should also go to your families whose unwavering support and devotion no doubt made your achievement possible.

My best wishes for a successful future.

Tan Boen Eng, President Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore



On behalf of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore (ICPAS), I would like to extend my heartiest congratulations to all the students who have successfully completed the June 2002 examination of the ACCA course. You have taken an important step towards a challenging career as accountancy professionals.

The ACCA qualification is recognised by ICPAS for membership of the Institute and thereby leading to the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) designation. Recognition of professional standing in accountancy depends primarily on membership of a recognised accountancy body. Such membership indicates to the public and employers that the member has not only fulfilled the requirements of academic and practical training, but is also bound to observe acceptable standards of professional conduct and ethics. I would therefore encourage you to join the Institute as members.

The accounting profession has always been a well-regarded profession. Accounting professionals are looked upon as custodians of overboard accounting practices. So, it was no doubt why the recent cases of corporate and accounting scandals in the US such as Worldcom and Enron so devastated the world.

It is unfortunate that a few black sheep in the accounting profession has caused the

general public and business community to cast doubts on the accounting profession. Although the level of public confidence in the accounting profession may have been shaken, you should not feel disheartened as future accounting professionals. In fact, you should face up to the challenge to be more vigilant in working towards the restoration of that faith and trust.

As more and more Asian countries are pulling out of the economic downturn, these countries are also working to assert their place in the global economy. The same can be said for Singapore. The pursuit is on for the country to continually work towards ensuring the nation's long-term competitiveness in the global marketplace. To do so, Singapore is maintaining a high standard of corporate governance.

Besides achieving a high standard of corporate governance, Singapore aims at boasting a multi-skilled workforce. In fact, a multi-skilled worker is already greatly desired in today's job market. At ICPAS, we hope to help our members and students achieve that through the Continuing Professional Education (CPE) programme. The programme offers training in various areas from accounting, personal development to information technology.

Under the Institute's mandatory CPE programme, practising CPAs are required to maintain a total of 120 CPE hours per triennium, of which at least 45 hours must be structured and with a minimum of 15 structured annually. Non-practising CPAs must maintain a total of 60 CPE hours per triennium. To ensure compliance with CPE requirements, the Institute carries out random audits from time to time. I hope that you will heed the call for continual upgrading of your skills and knowledge.

On this note, I would like to wish all graduates a successful and fruitful career ahead of them.

Prize Winners



ACCA PRIZE - June 2002

Highest Mark World-Wide

Paper 2.2 (Sponsored by ACCA)

Lim Li Lian

Paper 3.6 (Sponsored by Littlejohn Frazer)

Yang Shune Chiang, Sean

ICPAS MEDALLISTS - June 2002

Gold

Cao Min

Lilis Kodirin

Silver

Low Aileen

Yang Shune Chiang, Sean

Bronze

Hai Doan Thuan

June 2002 Top Candidate in Papers 1.1 – 3.7

Paper 1.1	Chen Hui
Paper 1.2	Hu Jie
Paper 1.3	Koh Kay Soon
Paper 2.1	Tan Tiong Huat, Alex
Paper 2.2	Lim Li Lian
Paper 2.3	Chua Boon Kok
Paper 2.4	Muliana
Paper 2.5	Liu Yuanxia
Paper 2.6	Teng Mui Choo
Paper 3.1	Divya Goyal
Paper 3.2	Fong Susan and Zhang Ji Wei
Paper 3.3	Wee Chee Hong
Paper 3.4	Cheong Hock Kuen and Yee Chee Whye
Paper 3.5	Yong Pwee See, Kelly
Paper 3.6	Yang Shune Chiang, Sean
Paper 3.7	Hai Doan Thuan