

JA AP WORKS

June, 2016

Message from Vivian Lau, President of JA Asia Pacific

We had a very fruitful and high impact week of meetings and conference with JA Worldwide, JA Worldwide Board, JA AP Board, and JA AP SLT in Hong Kong from June 15 to 17. Our appreciation goes to all the SLT and delegates support and contribution at the JA AP SLT and extended meetings on June 15 and 16. We are truly inspired and humbled by the work you are doing in all of your respective locations.



Group photo: JA AP SLT Meeting on June 15, 2016

We would like to thank our JAWW team and our JA AP Board members present at the JA AP SLT meeting for your insights and input. In addition, we would also like to welcome two new JA AP Board members, Ms. Alice Chou, Director of L2 Foundation and Mr. P.G. Raghuraman, Managing Director & COO, Asia Pacific – Financial Services, Accenture. We look forward to their support to inspire the youth in the region!



Group Photo: JA AP Board Meeting on June 16, 2016

From L to R: Mr. Asheesh Advani, Ms. Karen Reddington, Ms. Malini Thadani, Mr. Toby Brown, Ms. Alice Chou,
Mr. P.G. Raghuraman, Ms. Vivian Lau, Ms. Margie Wang, Mr. Edward Lee, Mr. Steve Wong

The opportunities highlighted in the JA AP SLT meeting held on June 15 are huge, and so are our aspirations for the region! We are pleased to report that the JA AP ROC priorities as shared with JA AP SLT meeting have been approved by the JA AP Board in the JA AP Board meeting on June 16!

All presentations from the JA AP SLT meetings were shared with all meeting participants via email.



Group photo: Joint JA Worldwide and JA AP Board meeting on June 16, 2016

The highlight for the week is the JA AP Youth Talk Conference and JA AP Welcome Dinner. Both events were held successfully with feedback from JA members, Board members, and sponsors requesting the events to recur annually. Our appreciation goes to all the JA AP members who have provided videos of our shining JA alumni for the JA AP Youth Talk Conference. We could not have done this without your support. Hope you are as inspired and impressed by our youth around the region.

In particular, we are grateful for the support from our partners FedEx Express Asia Pacific and MetLife Asia Pacific, and personal donations from Dr. Steve Wong, JA AP Board Chair and Dr. William Lo, JA Hong Kong Board Chair, for making the JA AP Youth Talk Conference and JA AP Welcome Dinner possible.

You will find links to the photos and JA AP Youth Talk videos played at the conference and dinner in the full events articles featured in this newsletter. We will be posting an edited version of the JA AP Youth Talk conference onto our website over the next two weeks.

This issue of JA AP WORKS features recent JA Asia Pacific events, initiatives, and programs:

- The JA AP Youth Talk Conference
- Commemorating the 10th Anniversary Milestone of ITC with ITC Alumni
- JA AP Alumni goes to Europe!

Last but not least, we would like to share a brief summary of the discussion from my recent participation in 'The Future of ASEAN Manufacturing' and 'Shaping the Future of Production' sessions at the World Economic Forum East Asia Summit in KL, Malaysia from June 1 – 2 2016.

We invite our SLTs to forward this newsletter to your Board and all members of your team. We also like to share your updates and achievements. Until the next JA AP WORKS, let's work together to create a world where every young person can be inspired and empowered!



Regional Initiatives, Programs, and Events

The JA AP Youth Talk Conference was successfully held at the Asia Society in Hong Kong on June 16, 2016.



Fr. L to R: Mr. Clive Lee, Ms. Jane Lau, Mr. Horace Chow, Ms. Diana Tsui, Mr. Francesco Vanni d'Archirafi, Ms. Vivian Lau, Mr. Chis Wong, Ms. Nikki Tsui

The JA AP Youth Talk Conference brought together youth, global and Asia Pacific regional business leaders from all around the world to discuss and respond to the main youth issues in this region.

Leveraging the power of the JA AP Members network, panelists and conference delegates were able to hear directly from our young people on their aspirations and challenges from the following 12 Asia Pacific locations:

China . Guam . Hong Kong . India . Indonesia . Japan . Kazakhstan , Korea . Philippines . Singapore . Thailand .
Vietnam

Facilitated by Ms. Vivian Lau, President of JA Asia Pacific, the following [distinguished panel speakers](#) joined the discussion with the youth from across the region via videos and live discussion with Hong Kong youth on stage:

- Mr. Francesco Vanni d'Archirafi. Chief Executive Officer of Citi Holdings and JA Worldwide Board Chair
- Ms. Diana Tsui. Head of Global Philanthropy, JP Morgan Asia Pacific
- Mr. Horace Chow. General Manager, Microsoft Hong Kong and Macau
- Ms. Jane Lau. Chief Executive, UNICEF Hong Kong
- Mr. Clive Lee. CEO, Yidan Prize Foundation

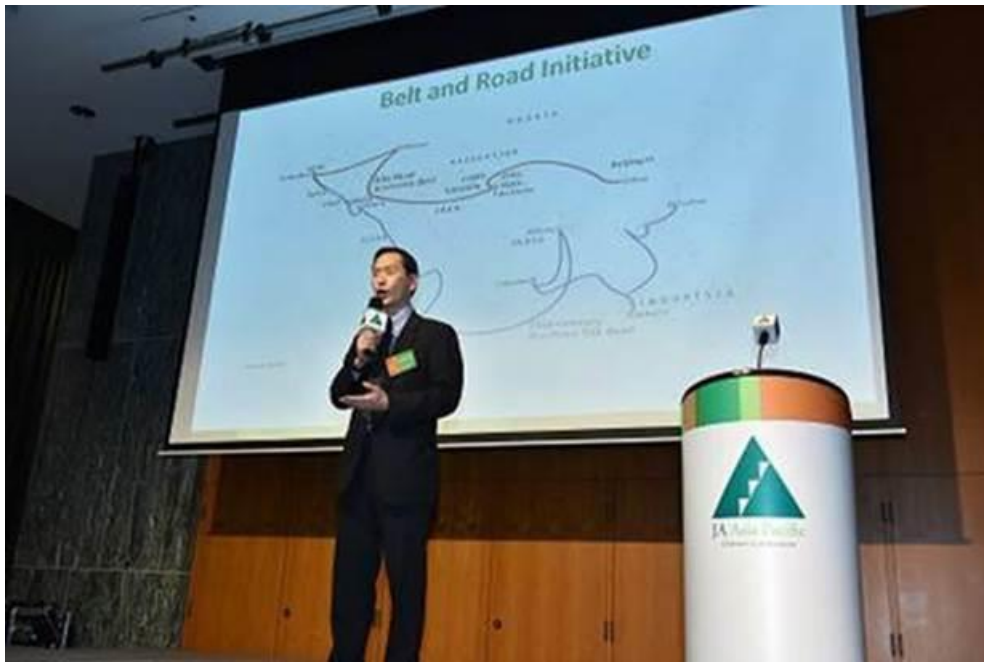
The conference and the interactive discussions on stage had provided our JA Worldwide and JA AP business partners and leaders a better understanding of the challenges and aspirations of the youth from across the Asia Pacific

Apart from the youth, our panel speakers also get to share their dreams and aspirations with the audience on stage. “My aspiration is for every youth to have the opportunity to benefit from JA programs in this world.” said Francesco Vanni d'Archirafi. Chief Executive Officer of Citi Holdings and JA Worldwide Board Chair.

The live discussions at the JA AP Youth Talk Conference will be shared on the JA Asia Pacific’s website and social media channels to promote and [celebrate the JA impact and moments](#) in the region.

JA AP Welcome Dinner

With the support from JA Asia Pacific’s regional partner, FedEx Express Asia Pacific, MetLife Asia Pacific and the personal contribution from Dr. Steve Wong, JA Asia Pacific Board Chair, and Dr. William Lo, JA Hong Kong Board Chair, JA Asia Pacific took great pleasure to extend the JA AP Youth Talk conference dialogue to the JA AP Welcome Dinner with an insightful keynote speech on the “Belt and Road” Initiative from [Mr. Bernard Chan, GBS,JP](#).



JA AP Welcome Dinner Keynote speaker: Mr. Bernard Chan, GBS, JP



From L to R: Mr. Asheesh Advani, Mr. Bernard Chan, Mr. Francesco Vanni d'Archirafi, Ms. Vivian Lau, Dr. Steve Wong

Please click [here](#) to view more special moments at the JA AP Youth Talk Conference and JA AP Welcome Dinner.



Commemorating the 10th Anniversary Milestone of ITC with ITC Alumni

With the support from JA Hong Kong, the host for the **10th ITC** Asia Pacific Finals this year, JA Asia Pacific is proud to bring ITC back to the city of Hong Kong, where the event first debuted.

The 10th anniversary of ITC is a great occasion and platform to connect, and re-engage with ITC Alumni from across the region. Collaborating with participating JA members in Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, JA Asia Pacific will be producing short videos featuring ITC alumni sharing their journey highlights during and after their ITC experiences.

As much as one of the highlights in the 10th ITC competition program this year, the videos will also be showcased via the JA Asia Pacific website and social media channels before and after the 10th ITC event.

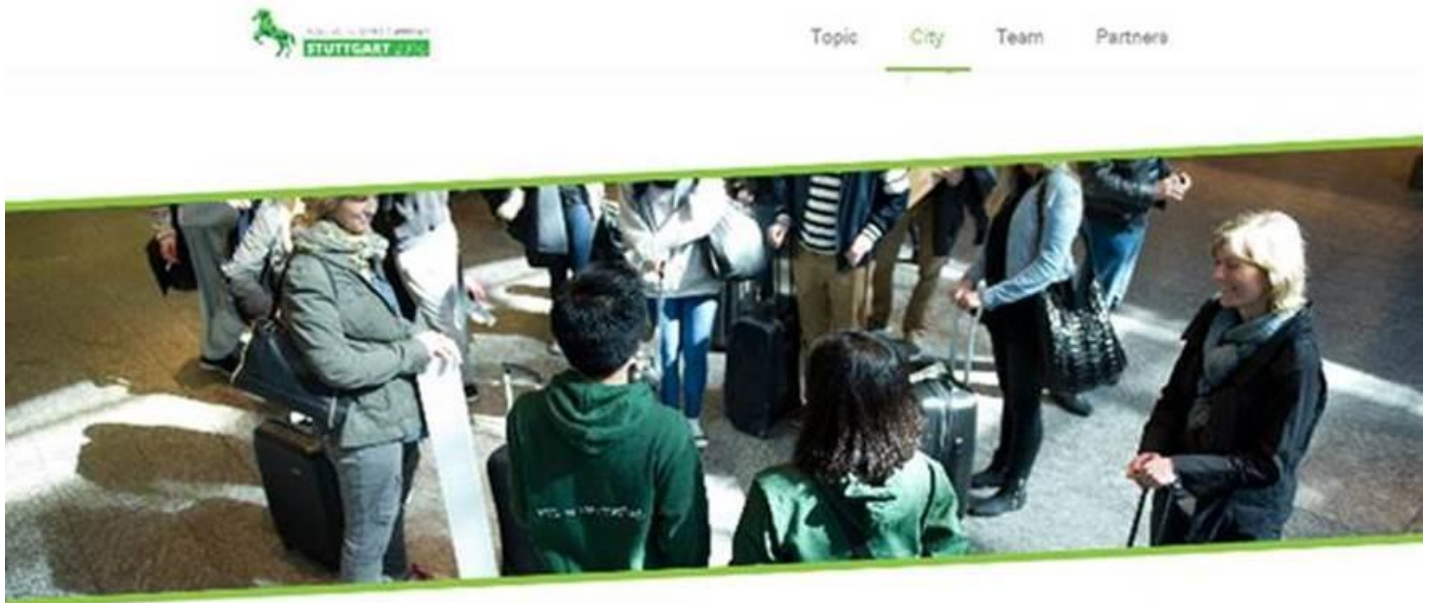
The ITC 10th anniversary Alumni video will reflect on achievements enabled by ITC through the faces and voices of ITC Alumni. Please stay tuned for all the [actions at local ITC workshops and competitions](#) around the region prior to the regional final scheduled from August 7 to 11 this summer!

JA alumni know that JA programs empower students to make the connection between what they learn in school and how it can be applied in the real world. Alumni can become powerful, passionate community JA supporters.

After all, who better to speak about the importance of JA than those who have put lessons to work for actual results?

Please visit www.jaasiapacific.com to register as JA Alumni and for more information on volunteering opportunities in the Asia Pacific region.

JA AP Alumni goes to Europe!



JA AP ROC proudly extends the opportunity for JA AP Alumni to attend the JA Alumni Europe Conference from August 24 to 28, 2016 in Stuttgart, Germany.

The theme of the conference is Mobility in the Future. The conference brings together up to 100 Alumni from all over Europe (and beyond) who are there to take their JA Experience further. You can find out more about the conference from the [conference website](#).

To provide our alumni in the Asia Pacific region an extended learning and networking opportunity, JA AP ROC will sponsor 3 JA Asia Pacific alumni to attend this conference by paying the registration fee of 250 euros per successful alumni applicant. Successful applicants will need to bear their own travel costs.

Eligibility of applicants:

- JA Alumni from members in the Asia Pacific region
- Age 18 or above
- Fit for travel
- In school or at work but cannot be existing JA staff
- Passion to network with like-minded JA Alumni community

How to apply?

- Eligible and Interested JA AP Alumni will need to apply through their local JA member offices
- Each JA member will select and submit one nomination to JA AP ROC by July 14 with basic contact information for the applicant and an essay addressing the following topics from the applicant:
 1. If you can use mobility to change one thing in your country/location, what will it be?
 2. If you are selected to the conference, what is the one thought on mobility that you want to share with the rest of the congregation

*no more than 500 words on each topic
- JA Asia Pacific may contact individual applicants for an interview as required during the review process
- The 3 successful applicants will be announced by July 28

This will be a great learning and networking opportunity for JA AP Alumni and seats are very limited for participants outside of Europe. We look forward to receiving the respective nomination from JA AP members.

Please contact [Winnie Ho](#) you need any additional information.



Vivian Lau, President of JA Asia Pacific joined government officials, business leaders and influencers from around the world in discussion on ‘The Future of ASEAN manufacturing’ and ‘Shaping the Future of Production’ at the World Economic Forum on ASEAN 2016



Trends in manufacturing have changed dramatically in the past three to four years in terms of technology, location, environmental concerns and education.

Education was also cited as a major challenge, particularly by Vivian Lau, President, JA Asia Pacific, who said the system isn't working. "Are we providing students with the skills required tomorrow? Are we even providing them with the skillset required now?" she asked. "A lot of corporations we work with are getting more and more involved in the education space because they can't wait for graduates to come out and then train them for a few more years so they will be able to realize their potential."

Please click [here](#) to view the full blog written by Cam MacMurchy, Official Writer at the 2016 World Economic Forum on ASEAN

Up-coming key dates

Please view the [Event Calendar on JA Asia Pacific Event page.](#)

Tell us your story

A story on a volunteer? News on people? Big win? Or an inspiring moment experienced? Need help to promote key dates and events in your local JA calendar? Please email [Winnie Ho](mailto:Winnie.Ho) to share with the network through the JA AP WORKS!

Until the next JA AP WORKS, have an inspiring and empowering day!

