

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| Training Calendar     |
| SCP Partners          |
| Training Agencies     |
| Application           |
| Visa Information      |
| IAI Programmes        |
| Singapore Scholarship |
| Latest Happenings     |
| SCP Alumni            |



**Singapore, Kazarian Foundation and J-Intersect Collaborate on Study Visit for Armenian officials**

An eighteen-member delegation, comprising of senior officials representing various Ministries of the Republic of Armenia, is in Singapore from 10 to 21 January 2011 for a study visit programme on Singapore's approach towards Governance, Economic Development and Performance Management. The study visit is organised under the Singapore Cooperation Programme, in partnership with the Charles and Agnes Kazarian Foundation and J-Intersect. The programme is conducted by the Singapore Civil Service College.



Mr Paul B. Kazarian, Founder and CEO of J-Intersect and the Charles and Agnes Kazarian Foundation, delivering his address during the Welcome Ceremony.

**Latest Happenings**

Key Events

SCP Courses

Contributions From SCP Alumni

This is the first in-depth study visit designed for officials from the Republic of Armenia. The idea for the programme was conceived during discussions by leaders of Singapore and Armenia. Armenia had expressed interest in having some of its up-and-coming officials visit Singapore to learn from its development experience.



(From left) Mr Christopher Magarian, Director, Finance Group, Japonica Partners, Mr Hrachya Tashchyan, Mr Paul Kazarian and Mr Koh Tin Fook at the opening ceremony

Addressing the delegation at the Welcome Ceremony held in MFA on 10 January 2011, Mr Koh Tin Fook, Director of Technical Cooperation, said Singapore was "very fortunate to have friends who willingly shared their expertise with us during the early years of our independence, and we have learnt and adopted many ideas from others. Today, we are happy to play our part as a global citizen to share our developmental experiences with friends like all of you."

Also speaking at the welcome ceremony, Mr Paul B. Kazarian, Founder & CEO of J-Intersect and the Charles and Agnes Kazarian Foundation, said, "Our Foundation readily embraced this opportunity as part of our recently announced initiative to invest US\$10 million in building world-class knowledge partnerships. This programme is truly a historic opportunity for the Republic of Armenia's best and brightest civil servants to learn from a country that shares our passion for improving performance at the nexus of the commercial and social sectors."



Staff and interns at MFA interacting with the Armenian delegates.

In his address, the Armenian delegation head Mr Hrachya Tashchyan expressed the opportunities and challenges in Armenia's development and growth and conveyed his government's appreciation to Singapore, J-Intersect and the Charles and Agnes Kazarian Foundation for providing the opportunity for Armenian officials to learn from Singapore's experience.

During the visit, the delegates will participate in briefings, interactive group discussions and case studies, and visit various local public agencies, where they will get a first-hand view of Singapore's public administration systems in action. In addition, the Kazarian Foundation and J-Intersect will be conducting sessions on benchmarking and performance management which will seek to draw lessons from contexts that have potential applicability to Armenia.



Group photo of delegation from the Republic of Armenia, with representatives from MFA, the Charles and Agnes Kazarian Foundation, and the Civil Service College.