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NTU's accounting research moves up to No. 5 in the world and remains No.1 in Asia

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Nanyang Business School Professor Tan Hun Tong is world's top accounting researcher for the third year running.

Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is now fifth in the world for accounting research, up from last year's seventh position, and it has maintained its No. 1 ranking among institutions outside of the United States.

The latest Brigham Young University (BYU) Accounting Research Rankings showed NTU moving up two spots on the annual league table, based on the productivity of its accounting researchers across 11 top accounting journals in the last six years up to 2012. In the area of auditing, the University maintained a clear lead globally.

Professor Tan Hun Tong of NTU's Nanyang Business School (NBS) retained his standing as the world's top accounting researcher for the third year running. Fellow NBS professor Clive Lennox tied with City University of Hong Kong's Jeong-Bon Kim to be ranked seventh in the world and second in Asia.

Professor Gillian Yeo, Interim Dean of Nanyang Business School said, "The latest BYU Accounting Research Rankings affirms Nanyang Business School as a global thought leader in the field of accounting and business management. Our faculty are at the forefront of creating new knowledge, and are among the world's best at imparting it to their students - as befits a world-class institution of higher education."

Professor Tan's research is focused on understanding the judgment and decision-making processes of auditors, financial analysts and other users of accounting information. In particular, the United Overseas Bank Chair Professor of Accounting at NBS is most interested in how institutional and environmental features influence such judgments and decisions. He typically uses psychological theories and experimental research techniques to gain insights into fundamental accounting issues. His research interests extend to judgment and decision issues in general management contexts outside of accounting.

Prof Tan said, "It is a great privilege to be given the opportunity to contribute to the progress and development of accounting and business practice, and thus society - all while pursuing one's intellectual interests."

"I would like to acknowledge my co-authors, who have been instrumental in my research output. It has been a joy collaborating with my colleagues at the school, and it is especially enriching to work with and mentor students."

The BYU Accounting Research Ranking is based on an index of peer-reviewed articles in 11 top accounting journals since 1990, and categorised by topic and methodology. It ranks more than 700 universities, and 3,900 academics, across the world. Further information about the rankings is available at: www.byuaccounting.net/rankings.

The Nanyang Business School is a leading business school in the world. Last month, Professor Vijay Sethi beat 222 business professors worldwide to be named the Business Professor of the Year by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) for being the world's best business educator. Its MBA programme is also the highest ranked in Singapore both by The Economist and The Financial Times. It is consistently ranked among the top 35 in The Financial Times' global MBA league table for five straight years.

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About Nanyang Technological University

A research-intensive public university, Nanyang Technological University (NTU) has 33,500 undergraduate and postgraduate students in the colleges of Engineering, Business, Science, and Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences. In 2013, NTU will enrol the first batch of students at its new medical school, the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, which is set up jointly with Imperial College London.

NTU is also home to four world-class autonomous institutes - the National Institute of Education, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Earth Observatory of Singapore, and Singapore Centre on Environmental Life Sciences Engineering - and various leading research centres such as the Nanyang Environment & Water Research Institute (NEWRI), Energy Research Institute @ NTU (ERI@N) and the Institute on Asian Consumer Insight (ACI).

A fast-growing university with an international outlook, NTU is putting its global stamp on Five Peaks of Excellence: Sustainable Earth, Future Healthcare, New Media, New Silk Road, and Innovation Asia.

Besides the main Yunnan Garden campus, NTU also has a satellite campus in Singapore's science and tech hub, one-north, and is setting up a third campus in Novena, Singapore's medical district.

For more information, visit www.ntu.edu.sg

About Nanyang Business School

Consistently ranked among the world's premier business schools, NBS has been nurturing leaders for business and public service, advancing global management knowledge and practice for over 50 years. Our curriculum melds rigorous academic theory with real-world business practice, while our faculty leads global thought and research in several fields of business and finance. Our 35,000 alumni hold positions of responsibility in business, government and public service in 45 countries. At NBS, we believe that responsible leadership in business and government is crucial to securing a sustainable future for our world. Through teaching and research, we are grooming a new generation of leaders with the knowledge, skills and passion of pursuing lasting success that seeks not only economic profit but also the interests of the community and environment.

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