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## NTU Singapore launches Gaia – the largest wooden building in Asia



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Singapore – On 17 May 2023, NTU (https://www.ntu.edu.sg/) Singapore launched Gaia, its eighth zero energy building and the largest wooden building in Asia, as part of its sustainability efforts.

The launch ceremony was attended by Minister for Education, Mr Chan Chun Sing and NTU President Professor Ho Teck Hua. Among those present were NTU Pro-Chancellor Ms Jennie Chua, Chair, NTU Board of Trustees, Ms Goh Swee Chen, other board members, university partners and industry collaborators.

Named after the Greek goddess of Earth, Gaia is a six-storey development for NTU students, faculty and staff to learn, research, innovate and explore new opportunities for collaboration and discovery.

Gaia is the eighth building project on the NTU campus that has received the Green Mark Platinum https://seab.tradelinkmedia.biz/publications/6/news/4652 (Zero Energy) – the highest award issued by the Building and Construction Authority of Singapore to recognise buildings that consume as much energy as they produce.

Presently, there are 16 certified zero energy buildings in the country, of which half are located on NTU grounds. This makes NTU the greenest campus in Singapore.