

News Release

**SINGAPORE COOPERATION ENTERPRISE SIGNS
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE STATE OF
SANTA CATARINA, BRAZIL TO SHARE SINGAPORE'S PUBLIC
SECTOR EXPERTISE**

**Santa Catarina, Brazil
Thursday, 10 July 2014**

Singapore Cooperation Enterprise (SCE) announced the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the State Government of Santa Catarina, Brazil to provide a high-level framework for collaboration in the areas of public and private sector collaboration, specifically economic and land-use planning, development of Small-Medium Enterprises (SME) and policy development.

The signing of the MOU took place in Florianopolis, the capital of the State of Santa Catarina, on Thursday (10 July 2014), during a visit made by the Embassy of Singapore to Brazil and Singapore Cooperation Enterprise to Florianopolis. The MOU was signed by Mr. Alvin Lim, Senior Director of Singapore Cooperation Enterprise (SCE) and Ms. Lucia Dellagnelo, State Secretary of Sustainable Economic Development.

Under the MOU, SCE will work with the relevant Singapore government agencies and private sector companies to collaborate with the State of Santa Catarina in the initial areas of master planning and capacity building; and in the area of SME development.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, Mr. Alvin Lim said, ***“SCE is pleased to establish this new partnership with the State of Santa Catarina and hopes that this will catalyse more engagements between Singapore and the State of Santa Catarina. The State of Santa Catarina is one of the most progressive states and SCE is delighted to be part of Santa Catarina’s continued development. This marks the second MOU that SCE has concluded in Brazil as SCE has previously concluded***

an MOU with the State of Minas Gerais to share Singapore's experience in urban planning. ”

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