Background and Composition of the IAAP

MOE established the IAAP in 1997 to advise MOE and Singapore's universities on major trends and directions in university education and research, with a view to develop them into world-class institutions of excellence. Its role has since been broadened to encompass providing guidance on the development of Singapore's tertiary sector as a whole. The IAAP meets once every few years. Its last meeting was in June 2015.

The 11th IAAP is chaired by Deputy Prime Minister & Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam, and comprises 11 other members who are distinguished leaders in academia and industry from Australia, China, Europe, India and North America.

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