

## Recognised for their contributions and achievements at the Engineering Alumni Gala Dinner 2014



The DEAA winners, Mr Tang Kin Fei (2nd from left) and Mr Quек Gim Pew (2nd from right) with NUS President Prof Tan Chorh Chuan (centre), NUS Engineering Dean Prof Chua Kee Chaing (far left) and Vice Dean (External Relations) Prof Victor Shim (far right).



And a good time was had by all.

THE Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award (DEAA) 2014 was conferred upon Mr Tang Kin Fei and Mr Quек Gim Pew at the Engineering Alumni Gala Dinner (10 October).

Mr Tang, from the Mechanical Engineering Class of 1974, is cited for spearheading Sembcorp's growth. Though the marine industry was a sunset industry in the 1980s, it did not deter him from joining Sembcorp in 1987 – and turning the onshore plant engineering business into a profitable business within five years. Today he is President and CEO of Sembcorp, instrumental in launching Sembcorp's Utilities Overseas Operations with facilities in 50 industrial sites across 15 countries.

Mr Quек Gim Pew, Electrical Engineering Class of 1981, is known for his zeal and passion for defence science and technology. As Chief Executive Officer, he led DSO National Laboratories into a premier R&D institution with more than 1,300 research scientists and engineers – developing Singapore's defence capability in the

realms of air, land, sea and cyberspace. With him at the helm, DSO established distinctive R&D in key areas such as guided systems, robust network communications and information systems, sensor systems, electronic warfare and many others.

Professor Chua Kee Chaing, NUS Dean of Engineering, said at the dinner that Mr Tang and Mr Quек are an inspiration to all. "We hope the Engineering community imbued with similar passion, will continue to grow from strength to strength," he said.

Prof Chua reminded alumni of a very important appointment for everyone come October 2015 – when the next annual dinner will be held in a grander way -- as NUS Engineering celebrates 60 years along with the University's 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; and the nation's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday.