

**CLOSING ADDRESS BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WSH INSTITUTE,
DR GAN SIOK LIN AT THE WSH INSTITUTE FORUM: “SAFETY AND
HEALTH AT WORK: WHO OWNS IT?” ON 18 MAY 2017, THURSDAY,
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AUDITORIUM**

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Mr Heng Chiang Gnee, Chairman, WSH Council

Er. Ho Siong Hin, Commissioner for Workplace Safety and Health, Ministry of
Manpower

Members of WSH Institute Governing Board

Distinguished speakers,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

A very good afternoon to everyone. As the WSH Institute Forum on “Safety and Health at Work: Who owns it?” draws to a close, let me thank our distinguished guests, speakers and moderator. You will agree with me that they have made this forum engaging, informative, enlightening and thought-provoking.

2 We hope that this forum has seeded some insights and will start a national conversation on “WSH Ownership”. The forum today will not provide all the answers, but I am sure the insights we gained today will bring us closer to our goal of instilling greater WSH ownership to keep our workers safe and healthy. Please do not wait for the completion of our study before you start engendering WSH ownership. Start tomorrow if you haven’t, and take the lead to ‘own’ safety and health - everyday, everywhere (at home and at work), all the time. And do internalise it.

3 I would like to thank all of you for spending your time with us this afternoon. Thank you for your support and generous sharing. My sincere thanks also to the Organising Committee for planning this forum. Please join me in thanking them.

4 We hope to see you next at the World Congress on Safety and Health at Work in Marina Bay Sands from 3 – 6 Sep. At the Congress, you will get the chance to network and hear from the Who's Who in WSH from around the world. It is an opportunity not to be missed. Please register soon to enjoy the early bird rate which will end on 31 May. I wish everyone a safe and healthy weekend ahead! Thanks again for your support.