Why Join YPs?

Close to 4 years ago, when I started to get more actively involved in ISPE Young Professional (YP) Committee; being a greenhorn, I asked the then ISPE President of Singapore Chapter "what event should I run? And how do I get attendees?"

To which he replied, "the first question to be answered is why would students or YPs want to come for the event? Is it for the food? Well they probably could find better somewhere else. Is it for the content? Perhaps, but this can be easily found via google. The reason that students or YPs would want to come is because they want to know YPs such as yourself, and they could see the value in networking with you."

Since then I have directed the focus of YP Committee events that would deliver value to YPs and students via expanding their network with their peers and other industry members through informative talks, networking events, mentoring sessions, and hackathon.

It is through this active engagement with ISPE that I have benefited in the following ways:

1. Learned much time-tested practical wisdom that I could apply in my professional and personal life through networking with industry members. These professionals held the belief to "pay it forward" and "It is more blessed to give than to receive" are genuine and sincere in helping others to develop and prosper personally and professionally with no-strings attached.
2. It is in this same spirit that I choose to invest my time and effort to other young professionals and students to help them transit better from college life to working life.
3. It also sharpens my project management and leadership skills, through the hosting of events and opens many new doors of opportunities.
4. And most importantly, I build deep and mutual encouraging relationships with my peers via exploring issues common to young professionals, seeking means to accentuate the positive, finding resolution for the negative and encouraging one another in our professional advancement.

Both my personal and professional life has been greatly enriched through my active involvement in ISPE, and I look forward to the continual building of this YP committee. I eagerly anticipate being involved in each other's professional pursuits and building deep and lasting friendship (camaraderie) with everyone in this community.

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Informative Talks



Networking Night



Virtual mentoring Sessions





Hackathon

