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SSTEC signs Eco-City MOUs with LTA Academy, ST Kinetics

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SINO-Singapore Tianjin Eco-City Investment and Development Co Ltd (SSTEC) said yesterday that it has entered into collaborations with key Singapore transport organisations to lay the foundation for a comprehensive and effective green transport system in the Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-City.

The plan envisages a transport system featuring a green public transport network, and electric and hybrid electric vehicles for both public vehicles and private cars.

SSTEC has signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the LTA Academy, set up by the Land Transport Authority of Singapore (LTA), on the development of training and policy research programmes for sustainable land transport in the Tianjin Eco-City.

One area of collaboration will be for the LTA Academy to take on a policy advisory role in the development of land transport systems for the Tianjin Eco-City, tapping on its successful experience in Singapore.

The second MOU was signed with Singapore Technologies Kinetics Ltd (ST Kinetics), the land systems and specialty vehicles arm of Singapore Technologies Engineering Ltd, to undertake a feasibility study on the implementation of a green public transport network in the Tianjin Eco-City, as well as similar studies going forward on a green private transport network.

ST Kinetics will also consider setting up a plant in the Tianjin Eco-City to produce electric and hybrid-electric powertrain kits to serve the Eco-City and northern China, as well as explore setting up office in the Eco-Business Park.

SSTEC is the master developer for the Tianjin Eco-City. It is a 50:50 joint venture between a Chinese consortium led by Tianjin Teda Investment Holding Co Ltd and a Singapore consortium led by the **Keppel** Group.

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