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Over the years, SMF has been a key partner of SPRING Singapore in driving innovation and productivity amongst manufacturing SMEs through its six Centres of Excellence as well as various networking and training initiatives.

SMF has actively promoted productivity upgrading through the SME Centre@SMF and two satellite centres, which have reached out to more than 10,000 SMEs through advisory sessions over the last three years. As the Productivity Centre for the manufacturing industry, SMF's Singapore Innovation and Productivity Institute has also implemented more than 100 productivity projects and engaged over 4,000 manufacturing and engineering SMEs since 2012.

Apart from facilitating productivity upgrading, SMF also supports SME innovation through the SMF Standards Development Organisation (SMF-SDO). Since 2011, SMF-SDO has completed over 230 standards and continues to spearhead the development of new standards to enable companies to be ready for emerging needs and new technological trends.

With technological developments and new business models disrupting the global manufacturing environment, Singapore companies have adapted in order to remain competitive and seize new opportunities. Research and development of products and process in particular will be an important way for Singapore companies to differentiate themselves from the competition.

I encourage our start-ups and SMEs to continue innovating their products and processes, and participate in relevant SMF initiatives that are listed in this directory. The latest products and services originating from Singapore-based producers can also be found in this directory, which serves as a good resource for local and foreign businesses and traders.

Lastly, I am happy to see SMF take an active role in helping Singapore manufacturers improve competitiveness, upgrade skills and capitalise on new technologies. SPRING Singapore will continue to support the good efforts of SMF in driving industry transformation.