SINGAPORE: An international programme called the Students for the Advancement of Global Entrepreneurship (SAGE) aims to advance youth business and social entrepreneurship.

The Singapore Chapter, which is spearheaded by the Singapore Management University's (SMU) Initiatives for Social Enterprise, was launched on Tuesday.

The programme aims to encourage pre-university students to embark on social entrepreneurship projects with mentors and advisors from SMU and the business community.

Speaking at its launch, Parliamentary Secretary For Community Development, Youth and Sports, Teo Ser Luck, said while it is important to nurture young people's talents, they should also be actively involved in contributing to the community at large.

He hopes the new programme will help Singapore youths to develop their social entrepreneurial ideas, as well as character and social conscience. - CNA/ms