‘Workplace bonds make it worthwhile’

SINGAPORE — Conferred an Honorary Doctor of Letters by the National University of Singapore (NUS) yesterday, SPRING Singapore chairman Philip Yeo reminded NUS graduates — as they enter the workforce — that it is the bonds at the workplace which are “at the heart of everything that makes it worthwhile”.

Mr Yeo, who is one of Singapore’s top civil servants and who chaired the Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) and the Economic Development Board at various points of his career, added: “As I look back on my career, what have been memorable for me are not the achievements. Neither is it the advancements. What has been memorable is the fun I have had in all the jobs I have held. What is fulfilling is to see what new opportunities my work has generated for others. And, finally, the friendships I have built along the way have made it an enjoyable journey — that is what lasts.”

The NUS kicked off its commencement ceremony for this year’s graduating cohort yesterday. More than 9,000 graduates will receive their scrolls over the next few days, making this its largest graduating cohort in the past five years. NG JING YNG