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\$1.4M SCHEME TO GROOM FURNITURE DESIGNERS

Aspiring furniture designers can look to a new \$1.4-million programme to nurture their talent and contribute to the local industry.

The Singapore Furniture Industries Council, together with SPRING Singapore, have come up with Design DNA, a three-year programme of workshops, overseas immersion courses and study missions, Minister of State for Trade and Industry Lee Yi Shyan said yesterday.

The aim is to nurture about 300 local designers in the next three years.

Mr Lee, citing a survey done last year, said the local furniture industry had grown at 10 per cent over the last five years. 938LIVE