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30 AUGUST 2019

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME (AS OF 7 AUGUST 2019)

Dress Code: Business Attire
 Venue: Lobby, Oei Tiong Ham Building, LKYSPP, NUS

Time	Programme
0830 – 0855	Arrival of Keynote Speaker, Discussants, Moderators, Presenters and Participants
0900 – 0910	Welcome Remarks Professor Danny Quah Dean & Li Ka Shing Professor of Economics, LKYSPP, NUS
0910 – 0920	Opening Remarks Ms Jyoti Shukla Director, Singapore Infrastructure and Urban Development Hub, The World Bank
0920 – 0935	Remarks by Singapore Minister Mr Ong Ye Kung (TBC) Minister for Education, Singapore
0935 – 0940	Ceremony of Cheque Donation to LKYSPP, witnessed by Singapore Minister for Education (TBC) and H.E. Y.S. Jaganmohan Reddy, Chief Minister, State Government of Andhra Pradesh, India, represented by Mr LV Subrahmanyam, IAS, Chief Secretary, State Government of Andhra Pradesh, India, and Professor Danny Quah, Dean, LKYSPP
0940 – 1010	Speech by Guest of Honour: “Investment Promotion and Opportunities for State of Andhra Pradesh, India: Best State in India before 2029” Guest of Honour: H.E. Y.S. Jaganmohan Reddy Chief Minister, State Government of Andhra Pradesh, India
1010 – 1025	Question & Answer Moderator: Professor Danny Quah Dean & Li Ka Shing Professor of Economics, LKYSPP, NUS
1025 – 1040	Coffee/Tea Break
1040 – 1100	Keynote Speech 1 (topic to be advised by The World Bank) Keynote Speaker 1 (to be advised by The World Bank)
1100 – 1120	Keynote Speech 2: “India as the New Manufacturing Hub for Employment Creation and Greater Economic Growth”

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1120 – 1135	<p>Keynote Speaker Professor Ajit Mishra Director, Institute of Economic Growth, India</p> <p>Question & Answer</p> <p>Moderator: Associate Professor Tan Khee Giap Co-Director, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS</p>
1135 – 1310	<p>Session 1: Sub-national Economic Competitiveness, Quality-Adjusted Labour Productivity of Greater China Economies</p>
1135 – 1140	<p>Moderator: Mr Tan Kway Guan Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS</p>
1140 – 1155	<p>Session 1a: 2019 Annual Update of ACI's Competitiveness Ranking and Simulation Studies on Greater China Economies</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Zhang Xuyao Research Fellow and Deputy Director (Research), ACI-LKYSPP, NUS • Mr Mao Ke Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1155 – 1210	<p>Session 1b: Quality-Adjusted Labour Productivity of Mainland China Economies</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Zhang Xuyao Research Fellow and Deputy Director (Research), ACI-LKYSPP, NUS • Mr Mao Ke Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1210 – 1225	<p>Discussant 1 for Sessions 1a & 1b: Dr Wang Huitong Research Fellow, Institute for Finance and Economics Research, Central University of Finance and Economics, People's Republic of China</p>
1225 – 1240	<p>Discussant 2 for Session 1a: Dr Wang Hongxia Senior Researcher, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, People's Republic of China</p>
1240 – 1255	<p>Discussant 3 (to be advised by The World Bank)</p>
1255 – 1310	<p>Question & Answer</p>
1310 – 1340	<p>Forum Luncheon Talk: "Challenges faced by Small and Medium-sized Enterprises in a Growing Environment of Anti-Globalization and Protectionism"</p> <p>Distinguished Luncheon Speaker: Mr Henry Kwek Member of Parliament & Member, Government Parliamentary Committee for Trade and Finance, Republic of Singapore</p>
1340 – 1355	<p>Question and Answer</p> <p>Moderator Associate Professor Tan Khee Giap Co-Director, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS</p>
1355 – 1430	<p>Lunch</p>

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1430 – 1545	Session 2: Sub-national Economic Competitiveness, Quality-Adjusted Labour Productivity of India
1430 – 1435	Moderator: Ms Doris Liew Wan Yin Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1435 – 1450	Session 2a: 2019 Annual Update of ACI's Competitiveness Ranking and Simulation Studies on India's Sub-national Economies Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Sumedha Gupta Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS Ms Aishwarya Narayanan Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS Mr Vardaan Chawla Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1450 – 1505	Session 2b: Quality-Adjusted Labour Productivity of India Sub-National Economies Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Sumedha Gupta Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS Ms Melissa Poh Wei Le Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS Dr Zhang Xuyao Research Fellow and Deputy Director (Research), ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1505 – 1515	Discussant 1 for Sessions 2a & 2b: Dr Manoj Panda RBI Chair Professor, Institute of Economic Growth, India
1515 – 1530	Discussant 2 for Sessions 2a & 2b: Professor Lei Xinjun Senior Researcher, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, People's Republic of China
1530 – 1545	Question & Answer
1545 – 1600	Coffee/Tea Break
1600 – 1720	Session 3: 2019 ACI-Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences Greater China Liveable Cities (ACI-SASS GCLC) Index: Ranking and Simulation Analysis
1600 – 1605	Moderator: Mr Mao Ke Research Assistant, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1605 – 1620	Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professor Shen Kaiyan Director, Institute of Economics, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, People's Republic of China Dr Zhang Xuyao Research Fellow and Deputy Director (Research), ACI-LKYSPP, NUS Associate Professor Tan Khee Giap Co-Director, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
1620 – 1635	Discussant 1: Dr Lu Hsin-Chang Associate Professor, College of Management, National Taiwan University, Taiwan, ROC
1635 – 1650	Discussant 2: Dr Wang Huitong Research Fellow, Institute for Finance and Economics Research, Central University of Finance and Economics, People's Republic of China

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1650 – 1705	Discussant 3 (to be advised by The World Bank)
1705 – 1720	Question & Answer
1720 – 1730	Closing Remarks and Future Research Agenda Associate Professor Tan Khee Giap Co-Director, ACI-LKYSPP, NUS
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