

## New IPS Book on Migration and Integration in Singapore

Singapore experienced a huge influx of foreign migrants between 2000 and 2010. The proportion of permanent residents in the total population increased from 7% to 11% during this period, while that of non-resident foreigners rose from 19% to 25%. This was as much a result of the spontaneous movement of labour to economic opportunities as it was of active policy direction by the Singapore Government. The social impact, both beneficial and disruptive, of this movement was felt at all levels of society, and brought other attending public policy issues to the fore.

A new book edited by three Institute of Policy Studies (IPS) researchers looks at the social, economic and political issues that have arisen with the influx of foreigners in Singapore in recent years. *Migration and Integration in Singapore: Policies and Practice*, is edited by IPS Senior Research Fellows Dr Yap Mui Teng and Dr Gillian Koh, and IPS Research Associate Debbie Soon. In the book's eight chapters, contributors who are mainly academics have drawn on empirical research to document the impact of increasing levels of immigration, and provided an analysis of the longer-term implications of these trends. Each chapter covers a different aspect of socio-cultural, political or economic outcomes arising from intercultural contact and adaptation. The contributors also provide policy suggestions to help Singapore continue being a harmonious nation and a cosmopolitan and vibrant global city.

The book is meant for students and scholars of Southeast Asian studies, migration and social policy, as well as for practitioners and policymakers with an interest in migration in the region.

*Migration and Integration in Singapore: Policies and Practice* can be purchased on the Routledge [website](#).

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