

IPS Forum on Inclusion That Works: Evidence, Practice, and Impact

Friday, 30 October 2026

Online via Zoom

PROGRAMME

9.00 am – 9.15 am

Opening Remarks

Dr Mathew Mathews
Head, Social Lab and
Principal Research Fellow
Institute of Policy Studies

9.15 am – 10.30 am

Panel 1: Interventions in Schools and Youth Programmes

This panel explores how to build inclusive mindsets in young people. It examines evidence-based curricula and classroom techniques, as well as experiential learning opportunities.

Moderator

Dr Clara Lee
Research Fellow
Social Lab
Institute of Policy Studies

Speakers

Dr Matthew Lowe
Assistant Professor
Vancouver School of Economics
The University of British Columbia

Dr Wyman Tang
Senior Lecturer
Department of Anthropology
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Associate Professor Rachael Jacobs
Academic Lead, Challenging Racism Project,
Primary Creative Arts
School of Education
Western Sydney University

Question-and-Answer Session

10.30 am – 10.45 am

Break

10.45 am – 12.00 noon

Panel 2: Digital and Media-Based Intervention

From social media and messaging apps to creative media, this panel focuses on how digital technology can be used to change attitudes and counter hate.

Moderator

Dr Elvin Xing
Research Fellow
Social Lab
Institute of Policy Studies

Speakers

Professor Kevin Dunn
Academic Lead
Challenging Racism Project
Western Sydney University

Dr Rajeshwari Majumdar
Assistant Professor
School of Media and Public Affairs
Columbian College of Arts & Sciences
The George Washington University

Ms Lindawati Sumpena
Managing Director
PeaceGeneration, Indonesia

Question-and-Answer Session

12.00 noon – 2.30 pm

Lunch Break

2.30 pm – 4.00 pm

Panel 3: The Science and Practice of Reducing Bias

This panel discusses how rigorous methodological and technological intervention and community-led dialogue can effectively bridge deep-seated social, racial and religious divides.

Moderator

Dr Mike Hou
Senior Research Fellow
Social Lab
Institute of Policy Studies

Speakers

Dr Naufal Waliyuddin
Researcher
UIN Sunan Kalijaga

Associate Professor Sajid Amit
Executive Advisor
Center of Enterprise and Society
University of Liberal Arts, Bangladesh

Mr Jerald Joseph
Director
Pusat Komus, Malaysia

Ms Faheema Nazhath
Founder
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Question-and-Answer Session

4.00 pm

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