

SINGAPORE PERSPECTIVES 2013

Governance

Monday, 28 January 2013
Island Ballroom, Shangri-La Hotel

PROGRAMME

(As of 22 January 2013)

7.45 am – 8.30 am **Registration**

8.30 am – 8.45 am **Opening Remarks**

Mr Janadas Devan
Director
Institute of Policy Studies

8.45 am – 10.15 am **PANEL I**
The Residual

Residual: “By definition, (it) has been effectively formed in the past, but it is still active in the cultural process....”

Political history has had an imprint on the culture of governance as Singaporeans understand it today. We invite two scholars to share with us their interpretation of that political history to explain the way Singapore is governed today. They will provide an appreciation of the past as it affects the present and the future.

Chairperson

Professor Tommy Koh
Special Adviser
Institute of Policy Studies

Speaker

Professor Chan Heng Chee
Ambassador-at-Large
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Respondent

Professor Kishore Mahbubani
Dean and Professor in the Practice of Public Policy
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Question-and-Answer Session

10.15 am – 10.45 am **Tea Break**

10.45 am – 12.15 pm

PANEL II
The Dominant

Dominant: “A central, effective, and dominant system of meanings and values...”

What are the principles of governance, developed over the past 47 years of independence, that still direct economic, social and foreign policy? Given the shifting dynamic forces within and without Singapore, which aspects of the current “dominant system of meanings and values” pertaining to governance should be retained, which should be re-shaped?

Chairperson

Ambassador Ong Keng Yong
High Commissioner
High Commission of the Republic of Singapore – Malaysia
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Speaker

Mr Lawrence Wong
Acting Minister
Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth
&
Senior Minister of State
Ministry of Communications and Information

Respondent

Mr Donald Low
Senior Fellow
and
Assistant Dean (Research Centres)
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Question-and-Answer Session

12.15 pm – 1.30 pm

Lunch

1.30 pm – 3.00 pm

PANEL III
The Emergent

Emergent: “The new meanings and values, new practices, new relationships...(that are) continually being created...”.

Each speaker will provide his or her perspective on the scenarios produced by IPS Prism. What do they think is the likely course for civil society, politics and the economy over the next 10 years and beyond?

Chairperson

Dr Gillian Koh
Senior Research Fellow
Institute of Policy Studies

Dr Koh will provide an overview of IPS Prism and its outcomes.

Speakers

Citizens

Mr Nizam Ismail
Director
Association of Muslim Professionals
&
Chairman
Centre for Research on Islamic and Malay Affairs

Politics

Ms Sylvia Lim
Chairman
The Workers' Party
&
Member of Parliament, Aljunied GRC

Economics

Mr Lee Tzu Yang
Member
Academic Panel
Institute of Policy Studies

Question-and-Answer Session

3.00 pm – 3.30 pm

Tea Break

3.30 pm – 5.00 pm

PANEL IV
Dialogue with Guest of Honour, Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong

Chairperson

Mr Janadas Devan

Speaker

Mr Lee Hsien Loong
Prime Minister

Question-and-Answer Session

5.00 pm

End of Conference

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