

# 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Diversities New and Old Conference

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# Emerging Forms of Social Identities and Social Formation – Talking Points

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# Emerging Demographic Trends & National Identity

- New Citizens
- Bi-cultural Families

→ How will they contribute to the SG national identity?

→ Is CMIO adequately robust to include new diversities?

# What is Family?

- Normalizing Singlehood – implications on future of the family
- Single by choice V single by circumstance
- What is the *normal* family?

# Beyond the Label – Towards an Inclusive SG

- De - stigmatization of marginalized Singaporeans

- mental illness

- persons with disabilities

- LBGT

- Advancing our new social compact

- role of government

- role of community

# Bridging Inequalities

- Defining poverty → *what constitutes basic necessities?*
- The inevitable presence of differentials → *what constitutes inequality?*
- The unintended consequence of **competition** & the spirit of **meritocracy**