

Panel 1: How Can Citizens Participate Meaningfully in Singapore ?

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Engaging the Public through Citizens' Panels

1. War on Diabetes

“As a community, how can we enable one another to live free from diabetes and, for Singaporeans with diabetes, to manage their condition well?”

(Nov 2017 - Jan 2018)

76 participants

2. Recycle Right

“How can we improve the way we recycle at home?”

(Sep - Oct 2019)
48 participants

3. Work-Life Harmony

“How can we create conditions, in the workplace and community, for better work-life harmony?”

(Sep - Nov 2019)
55 participants

4. Youth Mental Health

“As a community, how can we improve mental health and mental resilience among youths in Singapore?”

(Mar - Apr 2022)
55 participants
[Online]

5. Employment Resilience

“How might we strengthen our employment resilience?”

(Feb - Mar 2023)
59 participants

Citizens' panels are not focus group discussions, feedback sessions or townhalls.

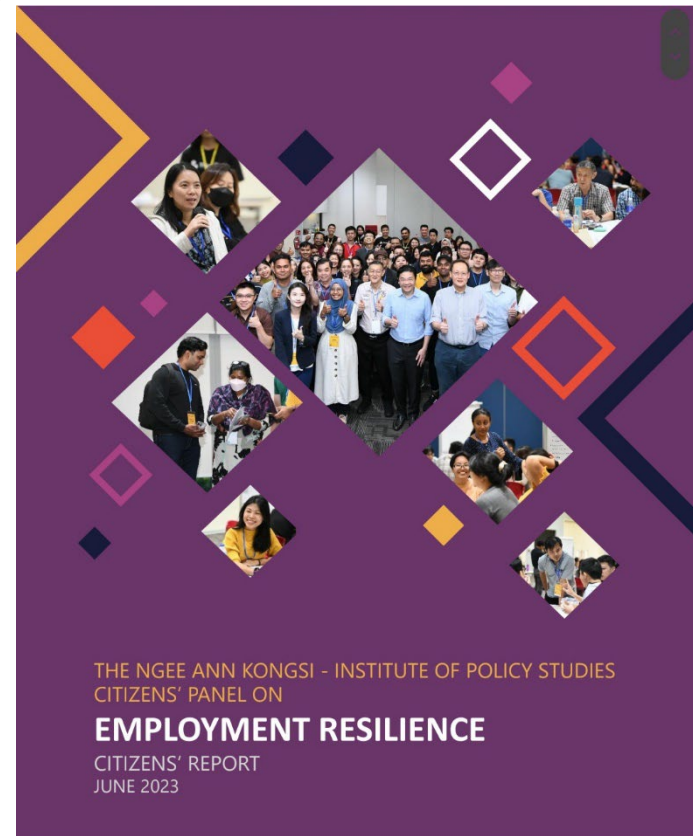
Each Citizens' Panel: Four full-day sessions, same participants for four sessions, submit recommendations to policy sponsor on the last day

Over four days in February and March 2023, the **Citizens' Panel on Employment Resilience** developed solutions for improving the adaptability and employability of workers who are at different stages of their career lifetime.

Whom did it involve: Workers who are in different stages of career lifetime include those who remain in work, those who are involuntarily out of work, employers of MNCs and SMEs, and intermediaries.

Outcomes:

Citizens' Panel recommendations report: 8 recommendations for **Career Self-Management, Training and Development, and Unemployment Support.**



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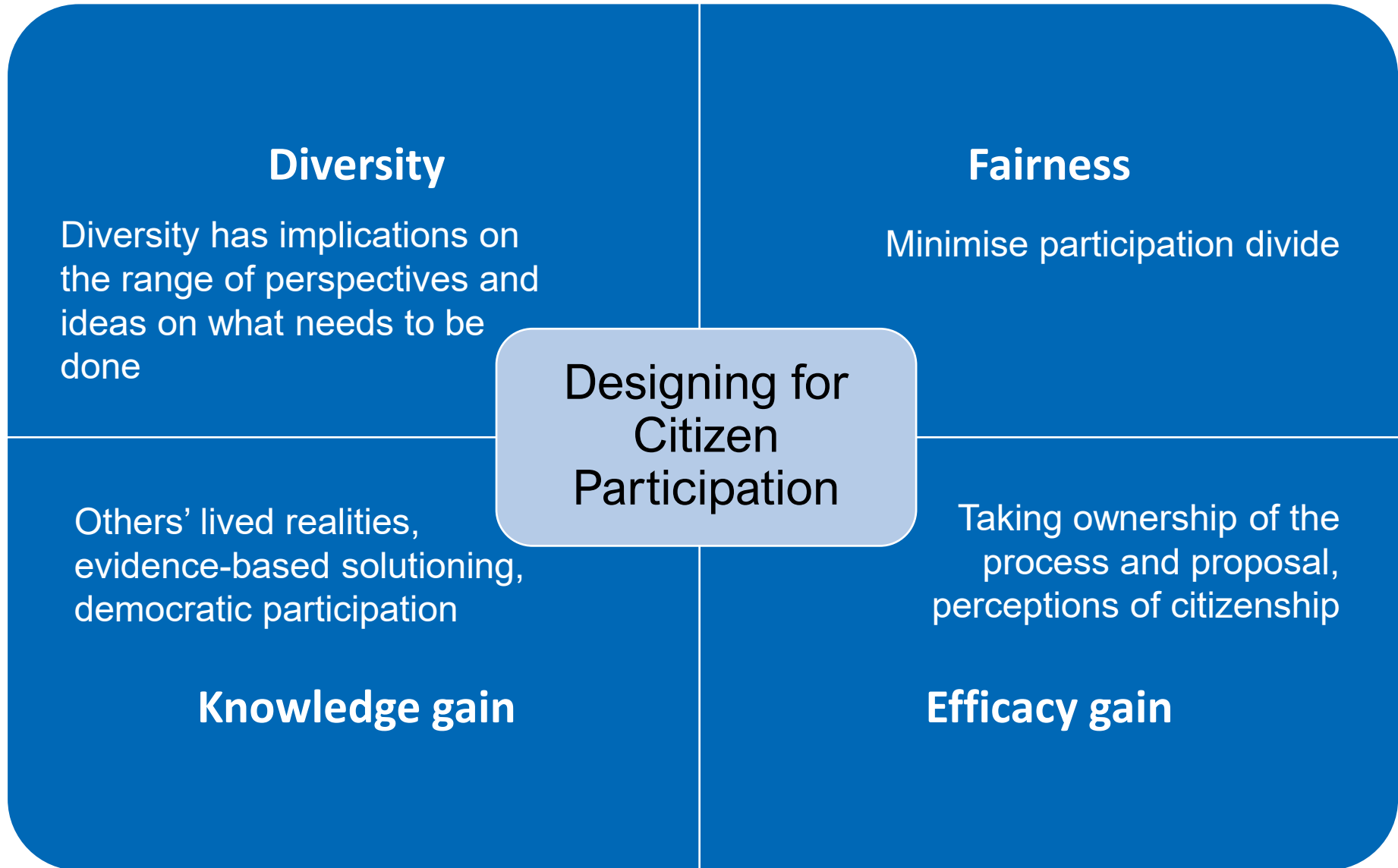


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Diversity

Diversity has implications on the range of perspectives and ideas on what needs to be done

Fairness

Minimise participation divide

Designing for Citizen Participation

Others' lived realities, evidence-based solutioning, democratic participation

Knowledge gain

Taking ownership of the process and proposal, perceptions of citizenship

Efficacy gain

Offline to Online: Different but Same

Key Conditions	Recommendations
Diversity and inclusion	Lower barriers to participation; competency building and support
Safety and security	Balanced approach in using limits and sanctions; avoid over-reliance on automated moderation, suspensions and bans; develop community ownership
Trust and transparency	Embed consultation, implementation and evaluation processes in the platform to update citizens on the progress of policy recommendations
A supportive ecosystem Build ecosystem of partners	

Thank you
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