



#### **Forum**

on

# **Ethnic Identity and Culture**

Thursday, 19 July 2018 Multi-Purpose Hall (Level 1) The Grassroots' Club 190 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 8 Singapore 568046

#### **PROGRAMME**

(as at 6 July 2018)

8.40 am – 9.10 am **Registration** 

9.10 am – 9.15 am Welcome Remarks

9.15 am – 9.30 am **Opening Remarks** 

Mr S Iswaran

Minister for Communications and Information

and

Minister-in-charge Trade Relations

Ministry of Trade and Industry

9.30 am – 9.40 am Video Highlight: The Singapore's Ethnic Mosaic Public

**Education Series – Building Intercultural Understanding** 

9.40 am – 10.00 am **Presentation on Ethnic Identity** 

Dr Mathew Mathews Senior Research Fellow Institute of Policy Studies

10.00 am – 11.20 am **PANEL I** 

Singaporeans' Ethnic Identities – An Evolving Dynamic

## **Chairperson**

Ms Rahayu Mahzam Management Committee Member OnePeople.sg

## **Speakers**

Mr Zainul Abidin Rasheed Ambassador (Non-Resident) Embassy of the Republic of Singapore – Kuwait Ministry of Foreign Affairs Associate Professor Eugene Tan School of Law

Singapore Management University

Dr Alexius Pereira

President

The Eurasian Association, Singapore

#### **Question-and-Answer Session**

11.20 am - 11.50 am

**Tea Break** 

11.50 am - 1.10 pm

**PANEL II** 

How Relevant are Ethnic Traditions in the Construction of Ethnic Identity?

### **Chairperson**

Ms Susanna Kulatissa Management Committee Member OnePeople.sg

### **Speakers**

Mr Tan Dan Feng

Chairman

Singapore International Translation Symposium

Dr Norshahril Saat

**Fellow** 

ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute

Mr Sasitharan Thirunalan Co-Founder and Director Intercultural Theatre Institute

#### **Question-and-Answer Session**

1.10 pm - 2.10 pm

Lunch

2.10 pm - 3.30 pm

PANEL III

**Building Cohesion in a Multi-Ethnic Environment** 

### **Chairperson**

Chairperson (TBC)

#### **Speakers**

Dr Hon Chiew Weng Former Principal Hwa Chong Institution

Mr Mohamed Irshad Abbas Founder and President Roses of Peace

Speaker 3 (TBC)

**Question-and-Answer Session** 

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm Tea Break

4.00 pm - 5.20 pm PANEL IV Dialogue

**Chairperson** 

Dr Mathew Mathews

**Speaker** 

Mr Bilahari Kausikan

Chairman

Middle East Institute

and

Former Ambassador-at-Large Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Question-and-Answer Session** 

5.20 pm – 5.30 pm Closing Remarks

5.30 pm End of Conference

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