

## YOUNG SINGAPOREANS CONFERENCE 2018

Tuesday & Wednesday, 27 & 28 November 2018 Hilton Singapore

# CONCEPT

We live in a time of disruption. The population is ageing. Technologies are changing, and so are the values and norms that once defined success. Young Singaporeans are constantly contending with old ideas of success, work and family as defined by parents, institutions and authorities against what they see, hear and experience as citizens in a globalised world. It is a time of many disruptions, but also a time of opportunities.

There are also many things overheard: youths are more innovative and willing to take risks, youths are optimistic, youths are highly literate and understand technology. But youths have also been described as a generation of strawberries, and a generation that is lacking in resilience. What do our youths have to say about their own generation? How can they contribute and be supported so that our youths and society can flourish together?

This year's Young Singaporeans Conference is a 1.5 days event themed "Disruptions" begins with articulating key disruptions today. Participants can look forward to vibrant dialogues with fellow participants, facilitators, invited mentors and speakers. With the spotlight on participants, they will collaborate in diverse teams to develop ideas and solutions on key issues identified as a team. Through pre-conference engagement and visual presentations of the conference proceedings, the conference aims to document the voices, ideas and aspirations of participants.

## FORMAT

The 1.5 days conference begins with a number of pre-conference activities. Participants can choose to submit a creative work to document their thinking and reflections on the theme of the conference, and/or participate in a mobile diary. Other than facilitators and speakers, mentors who are community artists, social entrepreneurs and practitioners are also included in the programme to encourage deeper interactions and ideation.

Day 1 of the conference comprises an informal networking session for participants, mentors and facilitators. On Day 2, the conference begins with a panel session with distinguished speakers to inject depth and insights on the conference theme. The conference ends with dinner and dialogue session with a Guest of honour.

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#### PROGRAMME

(As at 1 October 2018)

# Tuesday, 27 November 2018

6.00 pm – 7.00 pm	Registration (Cocktail with snacks)
7.00 pm – 7.15 pm	Welcome Address Dr Natalie Pang Senior Research Fellow Institute of Policy Studies
7.15 pm – 9.15 pm	Dinner, Exhibition & Icebreakers (Free browsing of exhibition during dinner)
9.15 pm – 9.30 pm	Closing

## Wednesday, 28 November 2018

8.15 am – 9.00 am	Registration (Coffee/Tea and refreshments available)
9.00 am – 9.15 am	Overview of Second Day
9.15 am – 11.00 am	Panel Discussion: Disruptions in Work, Family and Culture
	<b>Moderator</b> Dr Natalie Pang Senior Research Fellow Institute of Policy Studies
	<b>Speakers</b> Mr Chng Kai Fong Manager Director Economic Development Board
	Dr Adlina Maulod Research Fellow Centre for Ageing Research and Education Duke-NUS Medical School

	Dr Crystal Abidin Lecturer in Communication School of Communication and Creative Arts Faculty of Arts and Education Deakin University
	Question-and-Answer Session
11.00 am – 11.15 am	Tea Break
11.15 am – 12.00 noon	Team-Breakout (Identifying tasks/topics)
12.00 noon – 1.00 pm	Lightning Session (Each team to present their choice of topic)
1.00 pm – 6.00 pm	Lunch and Team-Based Collaborations (Free & easy for lunch, tea break will be available from 4.30 pm - 5.00 pm)
6.00 pm – 6.30 pm	Break
6.30 pm – 8.20 pm	Dinner and Showcase (Each team will present their work)
8.20 pm – 9.20 pm	Dialogue with Guest of honour
	<b>Moderator</b> Dr Crystal Abidin
	<b>Speaker</b> Ms Pocket Sun Founding Partner SoGal Ventures
	Question-and-Answer Session
9.20 pm – 9.30 pm	Closing Remarks (Top 3 teams will be announced) Dr Natalie Pang
9.30 pm	End