Developing Future Leaders

Assistant Ms Ruhi Lal in Singapore.

Watch this space for a report from the second edition of the programme, scheduled from 28 October to 1 November 2013.

The first run of the programme received a high rating of 4.73 out of 5 from the participants.

Mohammad Osman Maliki, who discussed the importance of engaging the community in a city’s development projects, highlighted that the programme also featured a dialogue with Minister of State from the Ministry of National Development, Dr. .

Discussions on urban challenges of solid waste management, rental housing, and clusters of industries’ development. During “Action Plan Discussion,” experienced practitioners from Singapore were invited to act as thematic facilitators to the participants, guiding them through the process and sharing their expertise on urban management strategies with them. As a closing highlight, the programme also featured a dialogue with Minister of State from the Ministry of National Development, Dr. , who discussed the importance of engaging the community in a city’s development projects.

The first run, held in August, was attended by 3 high-ranking officials. The programme will allow 70 urban sector practitioners to share their experiences and perspectives on urban sustainability from around the globe gathered in Bilbao, Spain. The event was organized under the theme “Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges, Shared Solutions.”

This programme is a spin-off from the TEMASEK FOUNDATION URBAN MANAGEMENT LEADERS PROGRAMME held in Singapore from 26 to 30 August 2013. In Singapore, comprising of two runs, this practitioner-focused and action-oriented executive programme will allow 70 urban sector practitioners and city leaders from Quezon City access to how Singapore overcame its challenges through a whole-of-government approach in creating a highly dense yet highly liveable city.

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On 18 September, the Lee Kuan Yew Centre for Innovative Cities (LKY CIC) organised a landmark conference, “Lee Kuan Yew and the Physical Transformation of Singapore,” to mark the 90th birthday of Singapore’s first Prime Minister. The event featured pioneer officials, who worked under Mr. Lee’s leadership to develop Singapore into the liveable city it is today.

Discussion was convened under 5 themes - planning, housing, greening, water and future transformational challenges.

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Report: Tourism and Singapore’s Development

Fifty-six mayors, governors and city leaders from around the globe gathered in Bilbao, Spain, to attend the fourth annual WORLD CITIES SUMMIT WORLD MAYORS FORUM from 12 to 15 June 2013. The event was organized under the theme “Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges, Shared Solutions.” The forum’s Chairman, Singapore’s Minister for National Development, invited experienced practitioners to share their best practices and lessons learned from mistakes to avoid making the same ones.

Mr Khaw Boon Wan, stressed the importance of being “wise” in city planning and development. He encouraged the participants to be simply replicable in an urban management strategy.

“Solutions that are effective in one city cannot be simply replicated in another, but the sharing of best practices can shorten the learning curve and help cut down costs from mistakes and wrong turns... A wise leader learns from the best and avoids making the other’s mistakes.”

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The Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize September newsletter is now available.

Upcoming Events

Download the competition kit and register boards

Selected entries will be showcased at the World Cities Summit in June during the period 1965-2000. The Governance competition aims to promote interest in and appreciation of Singapore's urban development and management.

Recognising the importance of nurturing the next generation of urban leaders, the Singapore Youth Challenge on Urban Governance was launched in 2011.

To further illustrate Singapore's export of indigenous capabilities, participants visited the Tianjin Eco-city and Guangzhou Knowledge City as part of their overseas study visit to China. Participants shared that they were inspired and empowered to apply what they have learnt to their work.

In this inaugural session, Prof. George Barbastathis will discuss the potential applications for drones and electromobility and future of vehicle design. Lastly, Prof. Michael Budig will illustrate how robots can achieve otherwise impossible architectural designs. How applicable and economically viable are these innovations? Dr. Johnny Wong, Group Director of Building Research Institute, Housing Development Board will be the discussant and the moderator for this lecture.

Imagination and the City

Innovation and the City

Session 1: Drones, Electromobility, Robotics Building

Panellists:

- Prof. George Barbastathis, Singapore Research Professor of Optics and Professor of Mechanical Engineering, MIT
- Dr. Daniel Geuzev, Principal Investigator, Vehicle Design and Prototyping, TUM CREATE
- Prof. Michael Budig, Senior Researcher and Module Coordinator, Singapore-MIT Design Bowl
- Dr. Daniel Gleyzes, Principal Investigator, Vehicle Design and Prototyping, TUM CREATE

CLC is embarking on a new series as part of the CLC Lecture Series, themed 'Innovation and the City'. This series aims to showcase interesting ideas and innovations from both local and international research institutes and will explore the potential applications of these projects.

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Singapore Youth Challenge on Urban Governance

Recognising the importance of nurturing the next generation of urban leaders, the Singapore Youth Challenge on Urban Governance aims to promote interest in and appreciation of Singapore's urban development and management within the youth population.

The theme is "Heroes" and we invite participants aged 17-21 (in 2014) to create multimedia narratives of an individual or a group of individuals of their choice who have contributed significantly to Singapore's urban development during the period 1965-2000.

Selected entries will be showcased at the World Cities Summit in June 2014. Winners will also stand to gain an internship opportunity with the Ministry of National Development (MND), Centre for Liveable Cities or statutory boards under MND.

Download the competition kit and register here by 15 November 2013!

August's Poll Results

88.4% of respondents would not dare to appoint independent critics to task-based committees, as shared by Carrie Lam as a reason for Hongkong's success in public engagement.

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