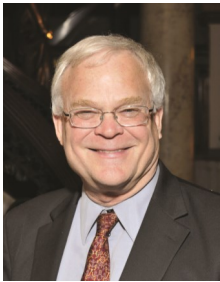




S R Nathan Professor Public Lecture



Prof Michael Sherraden

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Innovations in Asset Building

Abstract: In this presentation, Professor Sherraden will discuss "asset building" as a social policy strategy, which Singapore has carried out with notable success through the Central Provident Fund and related programmes. Asset building innovations in other countries will also be presented, along with theoretical understanding and research evidence of impacts. The discussion will focus not simply on asset building as economic security, but also as a pathway to social development in housing, education, and community stability.

About the Speaker: Michael Sherraden, PhD, is the first SR Nathan Professor in the Department of Social Work at the National University of Singapore. The SR Nathan Professorship was established in 2012 to honour Mr S R Nathan, former President of Singapore and NUS Chancellor, and eminent alumnus of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Prof Sherraden is also the Youngdahl Professor of Social Development and founding director of the Center for Social Development (CSD) at Washington University in St. Louis. CSD creates and tests innovations to improve social and economic well-being and uses research results to inform public policy. He is the creator of the widely praised Individual Development Accounts (IDAs), a matched savings program designed to help working poor people save money and accumulate assets. His work on assets has also influenced policy development in the UK, Taiwan, Canada and other countries around the world. Prof Sherraden has served as an advisor and consultant to the White House, Department of Treasury, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Health and Human Services, Carnegie Council and many other organisations. In 2010, he was listed by Time Magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in the world.

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3.00 - 5.00pm, Registration starts from 2:30pm

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