

Research Highlights Newsletter

September 2017

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Research Calendar

Selected grant call dates. Click the **Grant Programmes** to view eligibility, terms, and call schedules. View the **2017 calendar** [here](#) and the **active grant calls** on the [RD's Sharepoint](#).

September	November	December
Academic Research Fund (AcRF) Tier 1	Academic Research Fund (AcRF) Tier 1	Academic Research Fund (AcRF) Tier 1
MSF-Social and Family Research Fund (SFRF)		Staff Research Support Scheme (SRSS)

FRC Tier 1 Grants, Round 1 of FY2017

Read the abstracts [here](#).

Principal Investigator	Department	Project Title
A/P Davin Chor 	Economics	Contracting Frictions in International Trade: Implications for Welfare

Dr Seo Juwon	Economics	Randomization tests for symmetry/equality of copulas and distribution specification
		
Dr Cao Kai	Geography	Sustainable land use optimization and planning support: a case study in Singapore
		
Prof Lu Xi Xi	Geography	Sediment and carbon fluxes from glacial retreat and permafrost thawing in the Tibet Plateau: A case study of the upper Yellow River basin
		
Prof David Taylor	Geography	Economic growth and environmental quality in a tropical Asian megacity
		
A/P Lee Seung-Joon	History	Energy, Labor, and the Politics of Food in Industrial China, 1910s-1950s
		
A/P Mike Wai-Leung Cheung	Psychology	Advances in Five-Factor Model of Personality with Meta-Analysis
		
Dr Ryan Y Hong	Psychology	Competency and liability processes in academic and emotional adjustment
		

MOE Tier 2 & External Grants

A/P Leher Singh

Psychology



MOE Tier 2:

Effects of Early Bilingualism on Linguistic, Cognitive and Social Functioning

Dr Roy Chen Weigi

Economics



NRF Grant:

Behavioural Studies in the Energy, Water, Waste and Transportation Sectors (BSEWWT): 'Littering – Reducing Litter through Group Competition'

A/P Maria Kozhevnikov

Psychology



MOE Academies Fund (MAF) Grant:

Exploring Creativity Dimensions

RECENT EVENTS

18 August: [Strategies for Successful Grant Proposal Writing: A Panel Discussion with A/P Tim Bunnell, Prof Kenneth Dean, & A/P Soo Yeon Kim](#)

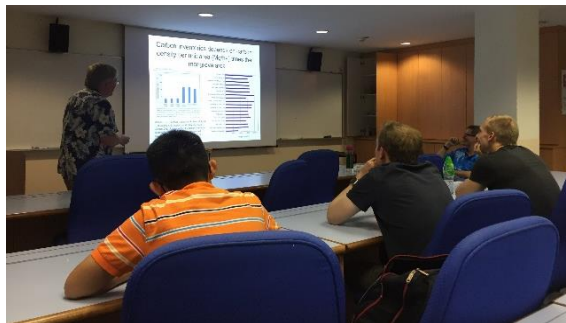


RESEARCH CLUSTERS



RECENT EVENTS

18 August: [Macrosystem Controls of Carbon Storage in Mangroves: Using Coastal Environmental Settings as a Model for Global Estimates](#)



31 August: [Film Screening: Chasing Coral, with Guest Speaker Stephen Beng, Nature Society Singapore \(NSS\)](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

4 October: [Open Cluster Meeting](#)



RECENT EVENTS

17 August: [Open Cluster Meeting](#)

7 September: [Unofficial Plans: Drawing, Time, and Developmental Vision in Mumbai](#)
by Dr Chitra Venkataramani, NUS
Department of Sociology



UPCOMING EVENTS

2 October: [Fragmentation, Polarization, and Discontinuity of Doha's Planning Practice: The Urban Legacies of the 2022 World Cup](#) by Dr Simona Azzali, NUS Department of Architecture



UPCOMING EVENTS

22 September: [A New Map of Life: Social Innovation and the Longevity Revolution](#) by Mr Marc Freedman, Founder and CEO of Encore.org, jointly organized with CFPR



RECENT EVENTS

28 July: [NUS-NPTD Living in Diversity Workshop](#), jointly organized with the NPTD/PMO-Strategy Group.



RECENT EVENTS

14 August: Book Launch: [Liberalism Disavowed: Communitarianism and State Capitalism in Singapore](#)



Additional photos [here](#).

22 August: [Panel Discussion: Singapore-Relevant Research or International Impact: A False Dilemma?](#)



14 September: [Disavowing Liberalism: Evolution of the Political Economy of the PAP Regime by Prof Chua Beng Huat](#), jointly organized with ARI



RESEARCH CENTRES



RECENT EVENTS

CFPR Seminar Series

25 August: [The Mommy Effect: The Impact of Parenthood on Employment and Gender-Role Attitudes](#) by A/P Jessica Pan, Department of Economics



8 September: [Tykes, Tablets, and Tantrums: Investigating Pre-schoolers' Digital Media Use and Parental Mediation Strategies](#)

by Prof Lim Sun Sun, Professor of Media & Communication, Head of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences, SUTD



15 September: [Who Has Bequest Motives?](#)

by A/P Liu Haoming, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, NUS



UPCOMING EVENTS

4 October: [Developmental Implications of Asia's Changing Demography](#)

by Prof Gavin Jones, Emeritus Professor, Australian National University; Associate, Murdoch University

20 October: [Effects and Mechanisms of Mindfulness-based Interventions: A Research Overview](#)

by Dr Keng Shian-Ling, Assistant Professor, Division of Social Sciences (Psychology), Yale-NUS College

27 October: Doing Research with Children: Some Methodological and Ethical Reflections from the Field by Dr Vinnarasan Aruldoss, Postdoctoral Fellow, Sussex University

10 November: Social Networking Addiction among Singaporean Youth

by Dr Yvaine Koh, Postdoctoral Fellow, Asia Research Institute and CFPR, NUS

17 November: Ageing and Psychological Well-being

by A/P Roger Ho, Associate Professor and Consultant Psychiatrist, Department of Psychological Medicine, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, NUS

24 November: [For Money or for a Life: A Mixed-Method Study on Migration and Time Use in China](#) by Dr Mu Zheng, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, NUS

CFPR in the Media

Monthly Series with Lianhe Zaobao

In the [11th article](#), published on 4 **June** 2017, CFPR Director *Prof Jean Yeung* discussed the various factors affecting Asian fathers' involvement as active caregivers. In the [12th article](#), published on 2 **July** 2017, *Dr Yu Rongjun* shared his research findings that greater generosity in later life may provide emotional gratification and a sense of purpose for older adults. In the [13th article](#), published on 6 **August** 2017, *Dr Feng Lei* shared his findings on the risk factors for dementia as well as early prevention measures to promote cognitive health. In the [14th article](#), published on 4 **September** 2017, *Dr Hu Shu* gave a demographic overview on internal migration and left-behind children in China, and discussed the impact of parental migration on their well-being.

ASEANFocus Feature: Outlook on 50 Years of ASEAN

In the autumn issue of [ASEANFocus](#) by ISEAS, Prof Yeung highlighted the current uneven state of development in Southeast Asia, and its implications on human capital development, elderly care, and poverty. Read her article on pp. 12-14.

CNA

In [Channel News Asia](#) on 12 September, Prof Yeung discussed how children, families and society benefit when fathers take paternity leave, and how it may also help to increase fertility rates.

RECENT EVENTS

6 September: [What Kind of Mobility of Workers in Global Production Networks? Migrant Workers and Refugees in the Jordanian Apparel Industry](#)



15 September: [Firms versus Floors: Interrogating labour struggles within and beyond global production networks](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

6-8 December: [Conference on Global Production](#)

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social future with cutting-edge
research



RECENT EVENTS

27 July: [Conference on Innovative Approaches in Community and Institutional Rehabilitation of Offenders](#), jointly organized with NAI



16 August: [Social Housing Movement and Unknown Housing Problems in Taiwan](#)



30 August: [MWS CFSC Child Protection Practice Model - From Research to Practice](#)



13 September: [Understanding the Quality of Life of Seniors, Persons with Disabilities and Persons with Mental Health Issues](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

International Day for Eradication of Poverty Panel Discussion: "Down But Not Out!"



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Research
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Singapore
Management
University



Dr Mathew
Mathews,
Senior
Research
Fellow,
Institute of
Policy Studies



Adjunct Asst. Prof
Caroline Brassard,
Lee Kuan Yew
School of Public
Policy

Panel Discussion 1 - Struggling yet Improving: Lessons from a Five-Waves Study of Financial Assistance Recipients

Panel Discussion 2 - Living on a Tight Budget in Singapore – A Study of 25 Malay Muslim Households

Date: Tuesday, 17 Oct 2017
Time: 4pm to 5:45pm

RECENT EVENTS

21 June: Roundtable Discussion on Transition of Care for Older Persons: Meaning, Motivation and Movement, invitation only, jointly organized with CSDA, NUS Department of Social Work



22 June: [Healthcare of the Future: Realising the Full Potential of Innovation in Care Integration](#), jointly organized with CSDA, NUS Department of Social Work



2-4 August: [NAI Plenary Session at the Singapore Economic Review Conference \(SERC\) 2017](#)

