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Broadening and Deepening Our Design Thinking

In Conversation With
Prof Tommy Koh
Ambassador-At-Large
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore

Date and Time——
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1800 to 1930

Venue——
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This is the second in a series on “Broadening and Deepening Our Design Thinking.” The session will take the form of a conversation with a special guest speaker who has vast experience and knowledge. This time it is with Prof Tommy Koh, Ambassador-at-large of MFA. This session will be on Tuesday, 19th September at 6.00pm to 7.30pm. It is to tap his vast experience on global, regional and local issues that could inform our thinking regarding our contribution to spatial design at all scales. We must go beyond garnishing the dishes and the design of the table settings but begin to participate in designing the kitchen! Let’s make this a deep and broad learning session!

About the Speaker

Tommy KOH is currently Ambassador-At-Large at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Special Adviser to the Institute of Policy Studies; and Chairman of the Governing Board of the Centre for International Law at the National University of Singapore (NUS). He is the Chairman of the International Advisory Panel of the Asia Research Institute (NUS) and Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Master’s Degree on Environmental Management (NUS). He is also the Co-chairman of the Asian Development Bank’s Advisory Committee on Water and Sanitation. He is Rector of the Tembusu College, at NUS, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the SymAsia Foundation of Credit Suisse.

He had served as Dean of the Faculty of Law of NUS, Singapore’s Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York, Ambassador to the United States of America, High Commissioner to Canada and Ambassador to Mexico. He was President of the Third UN Conference on the Law of the Sea and the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for and the Main Committee of the UN Conference on Environment and Development. He was the founding Chairman of the National Arts Council, founding Executive Director of the Asia-Europe Foundation and former Chairman of the National Heritage Board. He was also Singapore’s Chief Negotiator for the US-Singapore Free Trade Agreement. He acted as Singapore’s Agent in two legal disputes with Malaysia. He has chaired two dispute panels for the WTO. He is the Co Chairman of the China Singapore Forum, the Japan-Singapore Symposium and the India-Singapore Strategic Dialogue.

In 2006, Prof Koh received the Champion of the Earth Award from UNEP and the inaugural President’s Award for the Environment from Singapore. He was conferred with honorary doctoral degrees in law by Yale and Monash Universities. Harvard University conferred on him the Great Negotiator Award in 2014.

