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Time: 10.30 am — 12.00 noon

Venue: Seminar Room II, ISEAS

About the Speaker

**Dr Tilak K Doshi**

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Dr Tilak K. Doshi is an industry expert with over 15 years of international work experience in leading oil and gas companies. Currently, Dr Doshi is Visiting Principal Fellow at the Energy Studies Institute and Senior Advisor to the Board of Falcon Equity Advisors GmbH, a financial advisory and private equity firm with headquarters in Switzerland and offices in Dubai and Abu Dhabi. He is also consultant to a number of ventures, including LNG business in the Arabian Gulf and Asia, carbon emission reduction programs and in mergers and acquisition initiatives in the upstream oil and gas sectors in the MENA and Southeast Asia regions.

Among his prior executive management positions, Dr Doshi was appointed by Dubai Multi Commodities Centre as Executive Director for Energy to initiate investments in the Dubai oil, gas and petrochemical sectors. Prior to joining DMCC, he worked as Consultant for Saudi Aramco in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia in the crude oil sales and marketing and corporate planning departments. Previously, he has held senior positions as Director of Industry Analysis at the Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO), Los Angeles; Chief Asia Economist, Unocal Corporation, Los Angeles and Singapore; Head of Research, Louis Dreyfus Energy Asia, Singapore; and Principal Consultant at Arthur D. Little Inc., Singapore.

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Before joining the private sector, Dr Doshi was Fellow and Head of the Energy Project at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies. Dr Doshi is the author of the first book to be published on the Singapore oil industry (Houston of Asia: The Singapore Petroleum Industry, ISEAS, 1989.). He received his Ph.D. Economics from the University of Hawaii on a scholarship provided by the Eat-West Centre. His dissertation was on an Indonesia computable general equilibrium model for studying the impacts of energy-economy interactions. He was one of two candidates which were granted the 1984 Robert S. McNamara Research Fellow award by World Bank, Washington, D.C., and he received a Distinction for MA in Economics by Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand.

### About the Seminar

Energy is a complex subject, touching every part of our daily life and overall economy, involving a wide range of technologies and affecting many aspects of military and international relations. About 15 years ago, the Director of the Program on US-Japan Relations at Princeton University wrote a book on the critical challenges facing Asia, with a fairly grim prognosis. Asia's rapid economic growth, booming energy demand and its critical energy dependence on the Middle East, combined with the waning of American influence in the Pacific Basin would lead to energy shortages, regional rivalries, and a deeper linkage between China and the Middle East. It is instructive to see how this view fits the current picture, in the aftermath of the worst global financial crisis since the Great Depression.

*You are cordially invited to the Seminar.*