

ASEAN-EU PARTNERSHIP: THE UNTOLD STORY

Date: 15 October 2020 (Thursday)

Time: 10.00 am - 11.30 am (Singapore Time)



BOOK E-LAUNCH

PROGRAMME

10.00 am – 10.05 am	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Mr CHOI Shing Kwok Director, ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute</p>
10.05 am – 10.20 am	<p>Keynote Address by Guest of Honour</p> <p>Mr CHEE Hong Tat Senior Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and Transport</p>
10.20 am – 10.25 am	<p>E-Launch of the "ASEAN and EU Partnership: The Untold Story"</p>
10.25 am – 11.00 am	<p>Panel Discussion on "The Future of the ASEAN-EU Partnership"</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Sharon SEAH Coordinator, ASEAN Studies Centre ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute</p> <p>Speakers: Professor Tommy KOH Ambassador-at-Large Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p> <p>H.E Barbara PLINKERT Ambassador Delegation of the European Union to Singapore</p> <p>Dr YEO Lay Hwee Director The European Union Centre in Singapore</p> <p>Mr Chris HUMPHREY Executive Director EU-ASEAN Business Council in Singapore</p>
11.00 am – 11.30 am	<p>Q&A Discussion</p>
11.30 am	<p>End of Programme</p>

GUEST OF HONOUR



Mr CHEE Hong Tat is Senior Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and Transport. He was Senior Minister at the Ministry of Health, Information & Communication, Education and Trade & Industry respectively in his first elected term in office from 2016 to 2020. Mr Chee joined the Singapore Civil Service in 1998 and has served in numerous senior roles in government, including as Principal Private Secretary to then Minister Mentor Mr Lee Kuan Yew in 2008, Chief Executive of the Energy Market Authority in 2011, Second Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Trade and Industry in 2014.

PANELLISTS



Professor Tommy KOH is currently Professor of Law at the National University of Singapore (NUS); Ambassador-At-Large at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Rector of the Tembusu College at NUS; Chairman of the Governing Board of the Centre for International Law at the National University of Singapore (NUS) and Special Adviser to IPS, amongst other senior positions. Professor Koh was formerly Dean of the NUS's Faculty of Law, had served as Singapore's Permanent Representative to the UN; Ambassador to the US, Canada and Mexico; UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy to Russia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.



Ambassador Barbara PLINKERT began her term as the EU Ambassador to Singapore in 2017. Prior to that, Ambassador Plinkert was Head of Division responsible for Headquarters Security and EEAS Security Policy at the European External Action Service in Brussels. Before that, she had served as Deputy Head of the EU Delegation to Ethiopia from 2011-2015. Having held key positions within the EU, Ambassador Plinkert's previous postings were in Zimbabwe, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan. She also worked for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in Afghanistan from 1998-2003.



Dr YEO Lay Hwee is Director of the European Union Centre in Singapore. She is also Council Secretary at the Singapore Institute of International Affairs, Adjunct Fellow at the S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, and Adjunct Faculty at the Singapore Management University. Her research interests revolve around comparative regionalism, multilateralism and governance networks. She has written extensively on issues pertaining to Asia-Europe relations, specifically on the ASEM process and EU-ASEAN relations.



Mr Chris HUMPHREY is Executive Director of the EU-ASEAN Business Council in Singapore - the foremost business body for European industry in ASEAN. Mr. Humphrey is a Business Development and Government Relations professional with more than a decade of experience running business units throughout Asia, and over 20 years of experience in working for or dealing with Governments and regulatory authorities.