



Egmont-ISEAS Dialogue

The EU-Singapore Free Trade Agreement: Advancing Economic Security and Openness in Southeast Asia

25 November 2019

Singapore

Dear Sir or Madam,

You are cordially invited to the third EU – Singapore think tank dialogue that will be held on 25 November 2019 at the Four Seasons Hotel, Crescent Ballroom, 190 Orchard Boulevard, Singapore, 248646

Building on the success of the first two think tank dialogues, this third event will focus on challenges and opportunities for promoting economic security and openness through the implementation of the EU-Singapore Free Trade Agreement.

Co-organised by Egmont—the Royal Institute for International Relations of Belgium, and ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore, with the support of the European Union Delegation to Singapore, the conference comprises a keynote speech and three panels. Taking its departure in the question of how the EU and Singapore can leverage the implementation of their FTA to promote economic openness in a time of economic uncertainty, the conference aims to provide think tanks, policy makers and academics with a platform for open dialogue as well as identify opportunities to enrich the EU-Singapore collaboration and offer key insights of best practices from past successes and promote mutual learning.

Details of the event:

Date: 25 November 2019
Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm (Registration starts at 8.30am)
Venue: Four Seasons Hotel, Crescent Ballroom, 190 Orchard Boulevard, Singapore, 248646

To join us for the event, please register via this [link](#) by 20 November 2019.

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PROGRAMME

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TIME	AGENDA
8.30 am	Registration starts
8.50 am	Guests to be seated
9.00 am	Welcome Remarks H.E. Barbara Plinkert Ambassador of the European Union to Singapore Mr. Choi Shing Kwok Director, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute. Mr. Tobias Gehrke Research Fellow, Egmont Institute
9.15 am	Keynote Speech Representative from Ministry of Trade and Industry, Singapore (TBC)
9.30 am	Panel 1: The Current Global and Regional Context for Economic Security
11.00 am	Coffee Break
11.30 am	Panel 2: Geopolitics of Digital Trade and Sustainable Development in Southeast Asia
1.00 pm	Lunch
2.00 pm	Afternoon Opening Speech Mr. Jayant Menon Former Lead Economist at the Asian Development Bank
2.15 pm	Panel 3: Economic Security in Southeast Asia Beyond the EU-Singapore FTA
15.30 pm	Concluding Remarks
4. 00 pm	End

**Please note that the panelists are subjected to changes.*