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**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

RECENT 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**

14 August: Book Launch: *Liberalism Disavowed: Communitarianism and State Capitalism in Singapore*

22 August: **Panel Discussion: Singapore-Relevant Research or International Impact: A False Dilemma?**

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

RESEARCH CENTRES

CENTRE FOR FAMILY & POPULATION RESEARCH

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
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!”

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 8:45pm
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