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## **Charting Singapore's urban transformation into a liveable and sustainable city, and the Centre for Liveable Cities' commitment to tackling urban challenges**

*In celebration of CLC's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the think-tank is launching a collection of 10 publications, including a commemorative Book of Lectures.*

**Singapore, 8 July 2018** – The Centre for Liveable Cities (CLC), which celebrates 10 years this year, will be releasing a collection of 10 publications between 8-11 July at the World Cities Summit in Singapore (details in Appendix). CLC is a knowledge centre set up *to distil, create and share knowledge on liveable and sustainable cities*. The publications chart Singapore's experiences and insights into the challenges, innovative solutions and collaborations across key urban topics such as technology, community bonding, food security, sustainable land use and resilience.

Three highlighted publications include:

### **“Making Cities Liveable: Insights from 10 Years of Lectures at the Centre for Liveable Cities”**

CLC's commemorative 10th Anniversary Book features CLC Lectures delivered by leading international and Singaporean figures who have devoted their lives and work to making cities and urban societies better places to live in. These include Chief Executive of Hong Kong Ms Carrie Lam, former Prime Minister of the Netherlands Mr Jan Peter Balkenende, primatologist and anthropologist Ms Jane Goodall, former Chief Urban Designer of New York City Mr Alexandros Washburn, and former master planner of Singapore Dr Liu Thai Ker. Since the Centre's founding in 2008, more than 100 lectures have been delivered at the ongoing CLC Lecture Series. These lectures offer rich insights on how to make cities liveable, a topic of growing importance as an increasingly number of people worldwide migrate to cities in search of a better life. This book will be officially launched on Sunday 8 July at the World Cities Summit Mayors Forum.

### **“A Resilient Singapore”**

Pioneered by Rockefeller Foundation, “A Resilient Singapore” is a joint publication between CLC and 100 Resilient Cities (100RC) which captures Singapore's resilience story – an urban transformation into a highly liveable, sustainable yet high-density city state, and its continued pursuit to maintaining a competitive economy while ensuring a high quality of life for its residents. The publication delves into Singapore's ongoing and upcoming efforts to address resilience challenges such as climate change and changing demographics. Through a series of case studies, the publication demonstrates that resilience is as much about the engaging and involving communities as it is about building robust infrastructure.



### “Smart Cities in Southeast Asia” report

Produced by McKinsey Global Institute in collaboration with CLC, this report offers an overview to help cities understand the promise and limitations of the new technologies at their disposal, and to help private-sector companies and citizens themselves anticipate the coming wave of change. The drive to make cities smarter is not just about what governments can do, but also creating environments where different players can bring innovation to bear on the public. The report will share insights into pathways and strategies that ASEAN cities can adopt for becoming “smarter” while balancing their own context, challenges and priorities.

**Mr Khoo Teng Chye, Executive Director, Centre for Liveable Cities**, said, “Encapsulated in the 10 publications are experiences and insights from Singapore’s leading thinkers, urban planners and international experts on what truly makes liveable cities. CLC is honoured to share them on our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary during the World Cities Summit. Singapore’s achievements in urban governance and planning over the past five decades have inspired government leaders, urbanists and communities around the world. In the process of gathering knowledge to help make cities more liveable and sustainable, CLC has also broadened our global partnerships, built networks to facilitate the study of urban issues and shared insights internationally.”

“As the Centre marks its first decade, we will keep building our research, knowledge-sharing platforms, advisory projects and capability development programmes, and seek new perspectives and insight at the World Cities Summit 2018,” Mr Khoo added.

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### **About Centre for Liveable Cities**

Set up in 2008 by the Ministry of National Development and the Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources, the Centre for Liveable Cities (CLC)'s mission is to *distil, create and share knowledge on liveable and sustainable cities*. CLC's work spans four main areas – Research, Capability Development, Knowledge Platforms, and Advisory. Through these activities, CLC hopes to provide urban leaders and practitioners with the knowledge and support needed to make our cities better. For more information, visit <https://www.clc.gov.sg/>.

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**Details of the publication launches**

	<b>Launch details</b>	<b>Publication details</b>
1.	8 July 2018 11.30am – 5.00pm  Event: World Cities Summit Mayors Forum	<u>Urban Solutions #13: Innovation and Collaboration</u>  This issue explores how innovation and collaboration can empower cities to become more liveable, sustainable and resilient
2.	Venue: Sands Grand Ballroom B-G, Level 5	<u>Making Cities Liveable: Insights from 10 Years of Lectures at The Centre for Liveable Cities</u>  This publication features 15 lectures by leading international and Singaporean figures offering a wide range of perspectives on and insights into cities, which are growing in importance as more people make them home.  <i>The publication will be launched at the end of the Mayors Forum and available for participants.</i>
3.	9 July 2018 7.45am - 8.45am  Event: City Innovator Breakfast session  Venue: MBS Level 5	<u>CLC-McKinsey “Smart Cities Southeast Asia” report</u>  This joint report examines smart cities in Southeast Asia - their strategies, key considerations, applications and outcomes, together with supporting data.
4.	10 July 2018 9.00am – 10.30am  Event: Thematic Track (Innovation) Session 1  Venue: Sands Grand Ballroom N, Level 5	<u>Urban Systems Studies Technology and the City: Foundation for a Smart Nation</u>  This publication documents the Singapore’s journey of harnessing the power of information and communication technologies to improve the lives of citizens, building the technological infrastructure and know-how, and paving the way for today’s Smart Nation initiative.  <i>Minister Vivian Balakrishnan will be launching the publication at 9.00am.</i>
5.	10 July 2018 11.00am – 12.30pm  Event: Thematic Track (Planning) Session 2  Venue: Sands Grand Ballroom M, Level 5	<u>Urban Systems Studies Engaging Well, Forging Bonds: The Community as Stakeholders in Urban Development</u>  This publication documents how Singapore has harnessed community engagement and navigated challenges in its nation building efforts through the years.  <i>Dr Cheong Koon Hean, CEO/HDB will be launching the publication at 12.15pm.</i>

6.	<p>10 July 2018 11.00am – 12.30pm</p> <p>Event: Thematic Track (Resilience) Session 2</p> <p>Venue: Sands B Ballroom 5202, Level 5</p>	<p><u>CLC-100RC: “A Resilient Singapore”</u></p> <p>This publication highlights Singapore’s urban transformation into a highly liveable, sustainable yet high-density city state, and its continued pursuit to maintaining a competitive economy while ensuring a high quality of life for its residents. The publication features case studies which demonstrate that resilience is as much about the engaging and involving communities as it is about building robust infrastructure.</p> <p><i>ED/CLC Khoo Teng Chye and Michael Berkowitz, Managing Director, The Rockefeller Foundation and President of 100 Resilient Cities at 12.15.</i></p>
7.	<p>10 July 2018 3.30pm – 6.00pm</p> <p>Event: Thematic Forum 3: Building and Growing a Thriving Food Eco-system</p> <p>Venue: Sands B Ballroom 5201, Level 5</p>	<p><u>Urban Systems Studies Food and the City: Overcoming Challenges for Food Security</u></p> <p>This publication documents five decades of Singapore’s experience in overcoming several constraints—scarce land, competing economic needs and the trade-offs required to develop a sustainable environment – to deliver a safe, affordable and uninterrupted supply of food.</p> <p><i>SPS Sun Xueling will be launching the book at 5.00pm.</i></p>
8.	<p>10 July 3.30pm – 6.30pm</p> <p>Event: South Asia Business Forum</p> <p>Venue: Heliconia Room 3401A, Level 3</p>	<p><u>Singapore and India: Partnering for Liveable and Sustainable Cities</u></p> <p>This publication features case studies from various urban governance and planning projects discussed during the Urban Governance and Planning Programme, conducted by CLC in partnership with MFA and India’s Town and Country Planning Organisation between 2016 and 2017.</p> <p><i>*Publication was officially launched on 1 June.</i></p>
9.	<p>11 July 2018 4.00pm – 5.30pm</p> <p>Singapore International Transport Congress and Exhibition (SITCE) Plenary CEO Discussion</p> <p>Venue: Roselle Junior Ballroom, Level 4</p>	<p><u>Urban Systems Studies Integrating Land Use &amp; Mobility: Supporting Sustainable Development</u></p> <p>This publication traces more than five decades of integrated planning and development of land use and transport to minimise congestion and inefficient use of land in Singapore.</p> <p><i>Mr Ngien Hoon Ping, CEO/LTA will be launching the publication at 5.00pm.</i></p>
10.	<p>Will be published on website and disseminated online.</p>	<p><u>CLC Annual Report FY17</u></p> <p>CLC’s Annual Report highlights key CLC projects, events, and publications in FY 17.</p>

\* All publications will be available in print at the respective events and online on CLC’s website, [www.clc.gov.sg](http://www.clc.gov.sg) on the date of the launch