

# INAUGURAL FORUM PROGRAMME

29 – 30 NOVEMBER 2010



## NUS INITIATIVE TO IMPROVE HEALTH IN ASIA

Better healthcare in Asia through improved  
research, governance and sustainable financing

## ABOUT NUS GLOBAL ASIA INSTITUTE (NUS-GAI)

The NUS Global Asia Institute (NUS-GAI) aims to take the lead in research and scholarship directed at topics pivotal to Asia's future. Driven by the mission to provide in-depth insights to shape the nature of 21st Century Asia, the NUS Global Asia Institute will take a holistic approach to the fundamental issues confronting Asia and the world. By focusing on integrative studies, the work of the Institute will go beyond public policies and also deal with matters of technological importance. The Institute will complement existing NUS programs that already have a significant Asian component.

The NUS Global Asia Institute, an initiative of NUS President Professor Tan Chorh Chuan, will bring together existing expertise from NUS and other universities, particularly those with expertise in India and China, in its quest to solve the critical issues within Asia.

Through NUS-GAI's work, NUS expects to become a pre-eminent centre for thought-leadership, research and education on critical issues for Asia, distinguishing it as a leading global university centered in Asia.

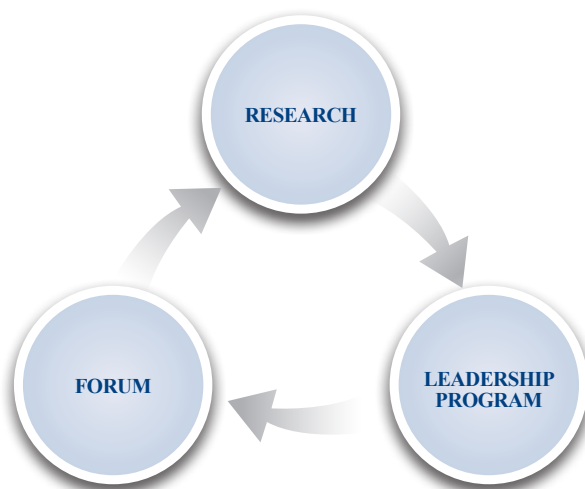
## ABOUT NUS INITIATIVE TO IMPROVE HEALTH IN ASIA (NIHA)

NIHA, an integrative initiative set up to improve public health and healthcare delivery in Asia, was made possible with a funding of S\$17 million over 10 years from the GSK-EDB Trust Fund, which was established as part of the GSK-Singapore 10-year Strategic Roadmap. NIHA focuses on three key areas – research, high-level policy forums and leadership programmes – with the NIHA Forum being the first of many such initiatives. NIHA is coordinated by the NUS-GAI, in collaboration with the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, and the NUS Business School.

NIHA has two key objectives :

- make a significant contribution to thinking and policy-formulation in public health and health systems development in Asia
- elevate Singapore to a leading position in healthcare policy and related research

NIHA will have a high quality portfolio that consists of cutting edge Research, high-level Forums and Leadership Programs. The cutting-edge Research and Forums in health policy will provide greater insights that can be used to develop the Leadership Programme. The Leadership Programme will train a talented pool of professionals in the field and enhance the capabilities and competencies of regulators and healthcare policymakers.



## **NIHA RESEARCH GRANTS**

NIHA will facilitate highly multi-disciplinary collaborative policy research by experts in the healthcare field. It will integrate and leverage on the full range of expertise within and outside NUS, in particular the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, Business School, Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School and other Research Centres of Excellence and Faculties in NUS; and the Health Sciences Authority. It will also involve experts from within and outside the region as needed. NIHA's research activities will be driven by a 5-year rolling medium term research agenda (MTRA). Some of the topics to be covered include comparative Health Systems, Healthcare Financing, Health Economics, Integrated Healthcare Delivery and Prevention. The research will have a regional orientation and application.

## **NIHA POLICY FORUM**

NIHA will organize regular high-level Forums on health policy. This Forum would be similar to the highly successful Singapore International Water Week and the World Cities Summit. NIHA proposes to organize an inaugural two-day Forum in November 2010. At this Forum, the first 5-year MTRA of NIHA will also be finalized.

The objectives of the Forum will be to promote discussions on key health challenges amongst key stakeholders and to identify common issues in health policy within an Asian context. The Forum will also aim to foster consensus building and partnerships among key policy makers in Asian governments and industry.

## **NIHA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME**

NIHA will deliver a flagship leadership programme on healthcare policy. The program will target emerging leaders from government, parliament, civil service, academia and civil society who contribute to health services delivery in the region and influence health policy. With a regional orientation, NIHA aims to have a highly relevant, wide-ranging and significant impact through its activities that will be multi-disciplinary in nature.

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## INAUGURAL FORUM PROGRAMME

### Day 1

MONDAY 29 November 2010

9:00 - 10:00 am	<b>International Advisory Board / Speaker Meeting</b>	NUS President's Meeting Room, Level 6
10:00 am	<b>Prof. Tan Chorh Chuan, NUS President receives Mr. Khaw Boon Wan</b>	
10:10 – 10:30 am	<b>Opening remarks by Prof. Tan Chorh Chuan, NUS President</b>	Vista, Level 7
10:30 – 12:00 noon	<b>Dialogue Session on Healthcare Policy Issues in Asia with Mr. Khaw Boon Wan, Minister for Health, Singapore</b> ( <i>invited guests only</i> )	
12:00 – 1:15 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Nexus, Level 6
		
1:15 - 1:30 pm	<b>Welcome Ceremony</b> <i>Prof. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi E., Director, Global Asia Institute, NUS</i>	Vista, Level 7
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<b>PLENARY SESSION: HEALTHCARE POLICY CHALLENGES IN ASIA</b> <i>Chaired by Prof. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi E., Director, Global Asia Institute, NUS</i>  <b>Prof. Paul Zimmet, Director Emeritus &amp; Director International Research, Baker IDI Heart and Diabetes Institute, Melbourne, Australia</b> Topic: Non-communicable Diseases – The Underappreciated Burden in Asia  <b>Prof. David Heymann, Chairman, Health Protection Agency, United Kingdom</b> Topic: Emerging Pandemics – Need to Shift from Response to Prevention	
2:30 – 3:00 pm	<b>PLENARY SESSION: OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEALTHCARE POLICY RESEARCH IN ASIA (I)</b> <b>Dr. Margaret Hamburg, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration U.S</b> Topic: Role of Regulatory Science in Improving Health Care for All	

## Day 1 cont'd

MONDAY 29 November 2010

3:00 - 3:15 pm	<b>Briefing on Break-out sessions</b> <i>Prof. Chia Kee Seng, Head,          Department of Epidemiology and Public Health</i>	Vista, Level 7
3:15 - 3:35 pm	<b>Tea Break</b>	Nexus, Level 6
3:45 - 5:15 pm	<b>Breakout sessions</b> <i>Chaired by:          Prof. William R. Schowalter, Senior Advisor,          Office of the President, NUS          Prof. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi E., Director,          Global Asia Institute, NUS          Dr. Jeremy Lim, Chair,          SingHealth Centre for Health Services Research          Prof. Chia Kee Seng, Head,          Department of Epidemiology and Public Health</i>	L303, Level 3 L304, Level 3 T401, Level 4 BOT Room, Level 6
5:25 – 6:00 pm	<b>PLENARY SESSION: INTRODUCTION TO NIHA'S RESEARCH AND EDUCATION PROGRAMME</b>  <b>NIHA Leadership Programme</b> <i>Prof. Ted Marmor, Lead Faculty,          NIHA Leadership Education Programme,          Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy</i>  <b>NIHA Research Grant Calls</b> <i>Prof. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi E., Director,          Global Asia Institute, NUS</i>	Vista, Level 7
6:30 pm	<b>Depart for The Grand Hyatt</b>	Lobby, Level 1
7:15 pm	<b>NIHA Dinner</b> <b>NUS-GAI 1st Anniversary Celebration</b>	Ballroom, The Grand Hyatt

## Day 2

TUESDAY 30 November 2010

8:15 – 8:30 am	<b>Registration</b>	Nexus, Level 6
8:30 – 10:45 am	<p><b>PLENARY SESSION: OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEALTHCARE POLICY RESEARCH IN ASIA (II)</b>  <i>Chaired by Prof. Chia Kee Seng, Head, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health</i></p> <p><b>Summary of discussion on Day 1</b>  <i>Prof. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi E., Director, Global Asia Institute, NUS</i></p> <p><b>Prof. Marc A. Zimmerman, Professor and Chair, Health Behavior and Health Education, Center for Human Growth and Development, Michigan School of Public Health, USA</b>            Topic: Behavior Modification for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention</p> <p><b>Dr. Jacques Jeugmans, Practice Leader (Health), ADB, Philippines</b>            Topic: Role of Regional Networks in Healthcare Policy Research</p> <p><b>Prof. Yeoh Eng Kiong, Professor of Public Health, School of Public Health and Primary Care, Director, Centre for Systems for Health, Hong Kong Chinese University, Hong Kong</b>            Topic: The Art and Science of Making Healthcare Policy Decisions</p> <p><b>Dr. Manju Rani, Scientist, WHO Western Pacific Regional Office</b>            Topic: Future Directions in Research for Health in the Western Pacific region</p>	Vista, Level 7
10:45 – 11:00 am	<p><b>Briefing on Break-out sessions</b>  <i>Prof. Chia Kee Seng, Head, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health</i></p>	Vista, Level 7
11:00 – 11:20 am	<b>Tea Break</b>	Nexus, Level 6
11:30 - 1:00 pm	<p><b>Breakout sessions</b>  <i>Chaired by:</i>  <i>Prof. William R. Schowalter, Senior Advisor, Office of the President, NUS</i>  <i>Prof. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi E., Director, Global Asia Institute, NUS</i>  <i>Dr. Jeremy Lim, Chair, SingHealth Centre for Health Services Research</i>  <i>Prof. Chia Kee Seng, Head, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health</i></p>	L303, Level 3 L304, Level 3 T401, Level 4 BOT Room, Level 6

## Day 2 cont'd

TUESDAY 30 November 2010

1:10 - 1:25 pm	<b>PLENARY CLOSING</b> <i>Dr. Jeremy Lim, Chair, SingHealth Centre for Health Services Research</i>	Vista, Level 7
1:25 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Nexus, Level 6

### End of Forum



2:00 - 5:00 pm	<b>International Advisory Board Meeting</b> NIHA Medium - Term Research Agenda (MTRA) <i>Chaired by Prof. William R. Schowalter, Senior Advisor, Office of the President, NUS</i>	BOT Meeting Room, Level 6
7:15 pm	<b>Dinner</b>	Straits Kitchen, The Grand Hyatt

## Day 3

WEDNESDAY 01 December 2010

8:00 - 9:00 am	<b>International Advisory Board Meeting</b>	BOT Meeting Room, Level 6
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