

THANK YOU for A Successful REDAS Mid-Autumn Celebration on 7 Sept 2022



REDAS successfully hosted this year's REDAS Mid-Autumn Celebration on 7 September 2022. Held at The Regent Singapore, the event allowed some 400 participants and invited guests to mask off and mingle with industry partners and friends.

Programme highlights included speeches by our Guest-of-Honour Ms Grace Fu, Minister for Sustainability & the Environment and REDAS President Mr Chia Ngiang Hong. In her speech, Minister reiterated the imperative of embracing sustainability as a business goal, one which everyone in society including consumers, businesses and our future generations must contribute to. She encouraged using the '4Rs' in the built environment by *reducing* the building's carbon footprint, *replacing* energy sources with renewable alternatives, *relooking* at the construction process, and enabling *recycling* in the building. Speaking on achieving sustainability, Mr Chia highlighted that talent is critical for advancing sustainability strategy. It is thus imperative to *add a sustainability focus to education* for the future of business and our future generations.

Participants present also enjoyed a <u>candid and enlightening "In-Conversation with Minister" segment.</u> Moderator, Dr Annie Koh (Professor Emeritus of Finance (Practice), Lee Kong Chian School of Business, SMU) drew views from <u>the panellists</u> – Minister, Mr Chia and Professor Lam Khee Poh (Provost's Chair Professor of Architecture and Built Environment, NUS) on the 4 Ps - Purpose, People, Partnerships and Planning for the future. Recognising that the path to carbon neutrality is a long haul process requiring strong will and determination, substantial financial resources, human capital and relevant expertise, the panellists shared their views on Singapore's current environmental policies, the constraints and limitations that developers face in achieving the Singapore Green Plan of "80-80-80 in 2030" as well as the roadblocks hindering the building owners to be proactive in greening their buildings.

You may view the speech by Minister and the media coverage at the links below:

- * https://www.mse.gov.sg/resource-room/category/2022-09-07-address-by-Minister-Grace-Fu-at-REDAS-Mid-Autumn-Event/
- * Grace Fu urges built environment sector to be more green, especially in design phase https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHz8LDQZUps

* **傅海燕: 迈向低碳未来 建筑环境业角色关键** https://www.zaobao.com.sg/finance/singapore/story20220908-1310814

Members of the REDAS Management Committee and Organising Committee would like to express their *DEEPEST APPRECIATION* to all participants and sponsors for their strong support to this event.

Save the date

REDAS will be holding its **63rd Anniversary Dinner** on Monday, 21 November 2022 at the Ritz-Carlton Millenia Singapore. MND Minister Mr Desmond Lee will be our Guest-0f-Honour. It will be another very memorable occasion as we will be presenting REDAS appreciation to developers who have been REDAS Ordinary Members for more than 40 years since its inception in 1959. We look forward to your continued support (3)

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