

The Philips Center for Health and Well-being



Think tank theme: Can cities in emerging markets be built in a repeatable template to meet the demands of rapid urbanization - while keeping them livable? Is it possible to translate quality of life as a service?

Meeting #3: Measuring livability, creating the self-assessment form for Livable Cities

Meeting Logistics

Date/time: 20/01/2011, 08.45-17.30 with dinner afterwards

Location: Hotel Mandarin Oriental Singapore, 5 Raffles Avenue, Marina Square, Marina Bay, Singapore 039797

Travel: All travel (flights, hotels, transfers) will be confirmed separately by BCD Travel

Dinner 19th January: Pre-dinner presentations starting at 18.30 (to be followed by dinner) at Villa Halia, Botanical Gardens Singapore (*transport to and from hotel will be arranged departing at 18.00*). For those arriving directly at the restaurant the full address is Villa Halia, Botanical Gardens, 1 Cluny Road, Singapore 259569

Meeting room

20th January: Harbor View 5, Level 5, Mandarin Oriental (*as per address above*)

Dinner 20th January: Pre-dinner presentations starting at 18.30 (to be followed by dinner) at Restaurant Graze (*transport to and from hotel will be arranged departing at 18.00*). For those arriving directly at the restaurant the full address is Graze, 4 Rochester Park Singapore 139215.

Participants:

Think tank members

1. Reon Brand, Senior Director, Strategic Futures, Philips Design
2. Dr. Freek Colombijn, Associate Professor and Head of Department, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, VU University Amsterdam
3. Peter Head OBE, Chairman of Global Planning, ARUP

4. Dan Hoornweg, Lead Urban Specialist, Cities and Climate Change, Urban Development, World Bank
5. Dr Shipra Narang, International urban consultant Associate, PRDU & ISOCARP
6. Olivier Piccolin, Senior Vice President & General Manager Asia Commercial Lighting, Philips
7. Sanjay Prakash, Sanjay Prakash and Associates & Indian Institute for Human Settlements
8. Darko Radovic, Professor of Architecture and Urban Design, Keio University, Tokyo
9. Simon Tay, Chairman, Singapore Institute of International Affairs (**facilitator**)

Other meeting attendees

1. Katy Hartley, Director of The Philips Center for Health & Well-being
2. Pamela Phua, Fleishman Hillard (meeting reporter)
3. Simona Rocchi, Senior Director Design for Sustainability, Philips Design (capturing outcomes)
4. Philips Regional Communications Team Asia

Dinner guests on the 20th January

1. Andrew Tan, Chief Executive Officer of National Environment Agency, Singapore
2. Khoo Teng Chye, Executive Director of the Centre for Livable Cities and Chief Executive of Public Utilities Board, Singapore.
3. Lup Wai Wong, CEO of Philips Singapore

The first meeting of The Philips Center of Health and Well-being Livable Cities Think Tank outlined important factors such as safety and security, access to public healthcare, a sense of belonging, cultural diversity and inclusiveness and efficient consumption of energy that contribute to urban citizens' health and well-being across cities around the world. The first meeting of the think tank defined a working draft of a mission statement "To measure and promote more resilient, inclusive, diverse and authentic cities – all underlined with the need for rapid and fundamental transformation."

The Livable Cities Think Tank opened a second discussion in Shanghai in September 2010, to further explore the framework and its approaches for livable cities. Building upon the model developed during the first think tank meeting, the group further defined and discussed the themes of resilience, inclusion and authenticity, highlighting key words and phrases that fitted each of the core themes. Through the discussion, the group raised important subjects including safety and security, freedom and equality, culture, power, local resilience, environmental diversity, stakeholder cooperation, historical heritage etc., which could be clustered under each theme.

The session ended with a review of the current city indicators available today – and that many of them are GDP-oriented, and no existing indicators cover 'livability' or adequately look at resilience, authenticity or inclusiveness. The think tank decided to move forward in the next meeting by developing self-assessment forms that cities could use to measure their own livability – using qualitative analysis and quantitative evaluation from existing Indexes and indicators.

This context provides the backdrop to the third meeting of the think tank, which aims to build a rough outline of the self-assessment forms that cities could use to assess their own livability.

Three objectives for this think tank meeting:

- **Sharing expertise and a personal point of view around the Livable Cities theme.** This third think tank meeting will incorporate two informal sessions – one session at each dinner for the think tank members to share a personal point of view, or highlight and explain their particular area of expertise. These sessions will be held before dinner, with pre-dinner drinks, with the aim of knowledge sharing and generating discussion. Additionally, we would like to ask each think tank member to collect and share cases studies or practices around the major themes of authenticity, inclusiveness and resilience to be discussed within the meeting structure.
- **Measuring livability, creating the first draft of the self-assessment form for Livable Cities.** A draft of a potential self-assessment form will be shared before the meeting in the pre-read materials. The majority of the meeting should focus on creating the content for a self-assessment form, defining the priorities that fit within each theme, and if possible the qualitative as well as quantitative measures.
- **Agenda setting:** Discuss and agree on the next steps to be taken in developing the self-assessment form. Who are the stakeholders who should be approached for their opinions? Do we want to add additional data, questions or metrics into the form? How does this affect the plan for the next meetings of the think tank?

Meeting agenda:

19th January	
18.00 dept.	Pre-dinner presentations starting at 18.30 (to be followed by dinner) at Villa Halia, Botanical Gardens Singapore (transport to and from hotel will be provided departing from the hotel lobby at 18.00). 18.30 – 19.30 Presentations by Simon Tay and Darko Radovic on their perspective on Livable Cities including Q&A and discussions.
20th January	
06.30 onwards	Breakfast & coffee available in the hotel restaurant, MELT on the 4 th floor
08.30	Coffee available outside the meeting room in L’Aperitif bar 5 th floor
Morning session: Measuring livability	
08.45	Update by Katy Hartley , Director of The Philips Center for Health & Well-being <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update on The Philips Center for Health & Well-being• Philips Index results around livable communities
09.10	Welcome by Simon Tay , Singapore Institute of International Affairs – facilitator <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions of those present at this meeting• Short recap of the last session• What are the key objectives of the think tank meeting today?
09.30	Introduction to the ‘skeleton’ of the Livable Cities self-assessment framework by Shipra Narang
09.45	“Unpacking” the theme of resilience – what are the priorities with regards to resilience for the self-assessment form?
10.45	Break: coffee, tea and refreshments

11.00	Guest speaker, Mr. Khoo Teng Chye , Executive Director of the Centre for Livable Cities and Chief Executive of Public Utilities Board, Singapore.
12.15	Lunch: MELT restaurant, 4 th floor in the hotel
Afternoon session: Creating the first draft of the self-assessment form	
13.15	Presenting personal cases studies, along with the cases studies suggested by the UPAT team along the key themes to inspire the think tank!
14.00	“Unpacking” the theme of inclusiveness – what are the priorities with regards to inclusiveness for the self-assessment form?
15.15	Break: coffee, tea and refreshments
15.45	“Unpacking” the theme of authenticity – what are the priorities with regards to inclusiveness for the self-assessment form?
17.00	Discuss and agree on the next steps to be taken in developing the self-assessment form. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who are the stakeholders who should be approached for their opinions? • Do we want to add additional data, questions or metrics into the form? • How does this affect the plan for the next meetings of the think tank?
17.30	End of meeting, break before departure for dinner
18.00 onwards	Pre-dinner presentations starting at 18.30 (to be followed by dinner) at Graze, Rochester Park (transport to and from hotel will be provided departing from the hotel lobby at 18.00). Pre-dinner presentations starting at 18.30 – 19.30 Presentations by Peter Head and Freek Colombijn on their perspective on Livable Cities including Q&A and discussions.

Materials & preparation

As well as the meeting agenda, the reflection document on the themes and the latest model will be shared again. An updated UPAT report will be sent around for background information. A skeleton version of a self-assessment framework for a Livable City will also be shared, for further brainstorming and discussion during the meeting itself. In preparation for the meeting, we would like you to bring/think about/be able to share some best practices or case studies of cities that have showed resilience, authenticity or inclusiveness (whether this is an article, a video, a diagram, a slide or a verbal explanation, a story, a cartoon etc.) as we hope this enriches the discussion and debate – and helps explain the model easily.

What do we need from you?

The aim is that you arrive with your expertise only – no specific preparation is required for this meeting other than reviewing the agenda and where possible contributing to the case study discussion.

Meeting report:

Will be distributed for feedback & comments by 1st March.

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