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The Economic Growth Centre and the Economic Society of Singapore cordially invites you to a joint-seminar by
Dr Toh Mun Heng

- Speaker** : **Dr Toh Mun Heng**
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- Topic** : **" Singapore Economic Development: Review of Some Economic Issues & Misconceptions "**
- Chairperson** : **Dr Choy Keen Meng**
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- Date** : **Wednesday, 10 February 2010**
- Time** : **2:30 pm to 4:00 pm**
- Venue** : **HSS Seminar Room 2 (HSS-B1-07)**
*(HSS Building, Basement 1, Room No. 7)
Nanyang Technological University
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About the Speaker:

Dr Toh Mun Heng is currently teaching at the Department of Business Policy, National University of Singapore. He obtained his doctoral degree in Economics and Econometrics from the University of London, London School of Economics. His research interests and publications are in the areas of economic modelling, trade, investment, productivity and development strategies of economies in the Asia Pacific. He has co-authored and edited several titles such as *The Economics of Education and Manpower Development: Issues and Policies in Singapore*; *Health Policies in Singapore*; *Challenge and Response: Thirty Years of the Economic Development Board*; *Public Policies in Singapore: A Decade of Changes*; *ASEAN Growth Triangles*; *Competitiveness of the Singapore Economy*; *Production Networks and Industrial Clusters: Integrating Economies of SE Asia*. Dr. Toh has also been invited as member and/or resource person in several government committees. He has been engaged as consultant in various economic projects sponsored by agencies in the private and public sectors. These include UN

ESCAP, World Bank, Asian Development Bank, ASEAN Secretariat, Ministries, GLCs and Statutory Boards in Singapore.

Abstract:

The presentation and discussion in the seminar will recapitulate some salient features of Singapore Economic Development since Independence (1965) till present. More pertinently, the paper will discuss some topical issues and offer alternative perspectives and explanations relating to the issues of a) low consumption-GDP ratio in Singapore; b) low labour productivity; c) low labour share in national income and d) large current account surplus.

Reservation:

Admission is free. Please reply to Christina, e-mail: achristina@ntu.edu.sg or Tel: 6790-5689 to confirm your attendance.