

# Planning for Liveable and Resilient Cities: Lessons from New York City

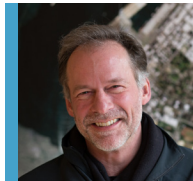
1 March 2017 | 3:45pm – 5:30pm | MND Function Room  
Networking & Registration from 3:45 pm - 4 pm  
(guests are requested to be seated by 4 pm) | Free Admission  
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New York City is a high density, and highly diverse metropolis. Being a coastal city, it also faces climate-related challenges, as observed from the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy in 2012. How does New York City manage multiple goals and challenges to create a vibrant, inclusive and liveable urban environment for its citizens? Alexandros Washburn, former Chief Urban Designer at the New York Department of City Planning, will share insights from New York City's planning system and approach.

*Speaker:*



## **Professor Alexandros WASHBURN**

Founding Director  
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Former Chief Urban Designer, New York City

Alexandros Washburn is an urban designer and community builder in Red Hook, Brooklyn. He is the author of *The Nature of Urban Design: A New York Perspective on Resilience*. He is the founder of Brooklyn Capital Partners LLC and is a visiting professor at the Stevens Institute of Technology. His career combines equal parts politics, finance and design, the three forces that must be brought into alignment to change a city for the better. Previous roles include staff, US Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works; Partner, W Architecture and Landscape Architecture LLC; and President, Pennsylvania Station Redevelopment Corporation. His research is supported by the Rockefeller Foundation and the Autodesk Foundation and focuses on building social and physical resilience in communities.

*Moderator:*



## **Mr Michael KOH**

Fellow, Centre for Liveable Cities

Michael has 25 years of experience in the public service, and served as CEO of the National Heritage Board and concurrently as CEO of the National Art Gallery. As the Director of Urban Planning & Design at the Urban Redevelopment Authority he spearheaded the planning and urban design of the new mixed use Downtown at Marina Bay, revitalisation of Orchard Road and the creation of an arts and entertainment district at Bras Basah Bugis.

*About CLC*

The Centre for Liveable Cities was set up in 2008 by the Ministry of National Development and the Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources, based on a strategic blueprint developed by Singapore's Inter-Ministerial Committee on Sustainable Development. Guided by its mission to distil, create and share knowledge on liveable and sustainable cities, the Centre's work spans four main areas - Research, Capability Development, Knowledge Platforms and Advisory. The CLC Lecture Series is a platform for urban experts to share their knowledge with other practitioners. For more information, please visit us at <http://www.clc.gov.sg>

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