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from 13:45 – 14:00

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## Building Social and Environmental Resilience in Cities Through Planning

The concept of urban resilience is gaining momentum within policy-makers, academics and industries. In this lecture, the impact and role of urban planning on a city's social and environmental resilience will be explored. The international panel will also share personal experiences regarding the challenges and opportunities in implementing urban planning to build up social, environment and climate resilience in their respective cities.



This event is held in conjunction with Commonwealth Science Conference 2017, which is jointly organised by The Royal Society and the National Research Foundation Singapore.



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Panellist

**Professor Barbara Norman**  
Foundation Chair,  
Urban and Regional Planning,  
University of Canberra;  
Director of Canberra Urban  
and Regional Futures;  
Chair, ACT Climate Change  
Council

Professor Barbara Norman current research and teaching interests include sustainable cities and regions, coastal planning, climate change adaptation and urban governance. She advises the public and private sector in Australia and has strong international linkages within Asia, Europe and the United States.



Panellist

**Professor Peter Edwards**  
Director,  
Singapore ETH Centre

Professor Peter Edwards is author of around 350-refereed scientific papers and author/editor of numerous books covering a wide range of environmental fields. He also has a strong interest in the application of science and technology for better management.



Panellist

**Professor Amita Bhide**  
Professor  
School of Habitat Studies,  
Tata Institute of  
Social Science, India

Professor Amita Bhide has taught at the Tata Institute of Social Science for over 16 years. A former faculty member of the School of Social Work in the Department of Urban and Rural Community Development, she was deeply involved in issues related to urban poor communities, community organisation and housing rights movements, and advocacy groups.



Moderator

**Ms Sophianne Araib**  
Director,  
Centre for Liveable Cities  
Ministry of National  
Development Singapore

At CLC, Ms Sophianne Araib is the Director of Research and Corporate Strategy, where her research focus is on social, environmental and urban resilience issues. Before joining CLC, she was in MND overseeing a wide-ranging policy portfolio covering urban planning, infrastructure, greening, conservation and food security.