

Lai Choo Malone-Lee, PhD Urban Specialist

Dr Lai Choo Malone-Lee is currently a Singapore-based urban specialist with a wide portfolio of academic, research and consultancy experience.

Dr Malone-Lee has taught urban policy, urban planning and environmental planning at the School of Design and Environment, NUS. As founding director of the Centre for Sustainable Cities, she has led multi-disciplinary teams of researchers to work on various urban issues, particularly those related to sustainable urban development, with a focus on city densification, sustainability performance and benchmarking, urban greenery and resource conservation. She has a deep interest on how these subjects relate to city growth, economic development, social wellbeing and city culture.

Prior to academia, Dr Malone-Lee has worked with the Singapore government in several areas of public policy, including strategic planning and heritage conservation. She has served as Board Member of the National Parks Board (2011 to 2018) as well as other committees and think tanks. Internationally, she consults with city and national governments as well as organisations such as UNESCAP and UNESCO.