

#GreenHacks: Initial Panel Meeting and Discussion

Session details: 18 November 2023, 3.00pm – 4.00pm

S/N	Summary of Discussion	Action by
1	Overview of Youth Panels	
1.1	<u>Introduction of Panel Structure</u> Xin Yuan (NYC) introduced the concept and organisation of the youth panels, highlighting the roles of advisors, leads, members, and supporting government agencies, and shared administrative details for members.	
1.2	<u>Panel schedule</u> The panel was briefed that it could focus on consolidating information and decide to meetup (online or otherwise) over December 2023, and that NYC would provide support where needed.	
2	Panel Discussion led by panel leads	
2.1	<u>Panel Objectives and Structure</u> Panel leads Man Jing and Lee Kiang gave an overview of the panel's purpose, work, and composition: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Youth panels would help participants understand the policymaking process and gain skills and experience.b. #GreenHacks panel's work may overlap with work of other panels (e.g., cost of living, marginalised communities). If the panel's policy recommendations were not implemented, agencies would explain the reasons to the panel.c. Panel's diverse composition would benefit the panel by providing different viewpoints.d. Members were encouraged to list skills they could bring to the panel's work, so they could contribute to various roles (e.g., public relations, communication, writing, data collection and analysis).e. The panel should serve as a safe space for all members to share their thoughts with no judgement. All members are free to share their honest thoughts and ask questions about the contexts of issues that they are unfamiliar with. Members should respect everyone's opinions and seek to understand the different perspectives and viewpoints.	Members to note
2.2	<u>Communications and Administrative Arrangements</u> Panel leads also covered administrative and communications arrangements the panel:	Members to note

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The panel should not be sharing sensitive information with anyone outside the panel. b. Members should attend as many meetings as possible and be accountable in updating the group chat should they be unavailable for meetings. There is a minimum expected commitment from members to attend at least 1 panel meeting a month. The panel expects to meet up to 3 times maximum per month. c. Members have the choice to leave if other commitments come up, during the duration of the panel. Members can approach the leads should they feel uncomfortable during their time in the panel. d. Notetaking will be done for every session to allow those who may not be present to catch up on the discussions. A note-taking template will be provided for the assigned notetaker. 	
2.3	<p><u>Sharing of Possible Topic Parameters</u></p> <p>Upon the panel leads' sharing on the two possible topics being "Sustainable Consumption" and "Food Security", Xin Yuan added that the topics shortlisted were a result of various discussions such as the "Youth Panels: Topic Sandbox" engagement held on 31 August 2023.</p>	
2.4	<p><u>Discussion on Topic of Focus</u></p> <p>Man Jing shared that she hoped for the panel's work to be picked up by the Government, and she felt that sustainable consumption had a higher chance of doing so. She also shared that sustainable consumption was likely to be more flexible in its impact and execution and expressed hope for #GreenHacks panel's work to have a knock-on effect on other topics outside of the environmental space.</p> <p>She said that given how the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) scheme had been implemented last year, her own sense was there would likely be room for adaptations in the coming years which presented a good opportunity for the panel to add value towards the scheme.</p> <p>Panel member shared that she was more knowledgeable about the topic of food security given her experiences from school. A particular area within food security which resonated with her was the short-term leases for farmers in Singapore, which had previously resulted in the loss of their farms.</p> <p>Panel member elaborated on the importance of food as a fuel for all of us and suggested that it was a matter of national importance. A particular angle that he would like to explore would be the concept of social responsibility with reference to food security.</p> <p>Panel member added that the protectionist food exporting policies adopted by some countries around the world recently would have an</p>	

Attendance

MCCY	Mr Aaron Tan (AM, YD)
NYC	Ms Pang Xin Yuan, (M, YL) Mr Tan Xue Wei (Intern, YL)
Verian	Mr Khairul Mohd Khair
Advisors	Ms Melissa Low Ms Farah Sanwari
Leads	Ms Kong Man Jing Ms Ng Lee Kiang Mr Preston Wong
Members	Ms Ling Jia Shin Ms Sivanisswary Manoharan Mr Tan Han Feng, Chester Matthias Mr Fong Jun Yi Mr Neo Yi Chong Isaac Ms Tan Bo Yan Mr Darius Ng Wei Quan Mr Goh Jun Hui Mr Tay Zhe Qian Ms Ng Sze Xuan Ms Liu Xinyi Ms Paranjothy Vanessa Anne Mr Morier Adam Mr Muhammad Hilmi Abu Bakar Mr Aidan Ng (Huang Qirui) Ms Soh Yan Xi Ms Dana Cheng Mr Dharma Halyn Deun Ms Yeo Shayne Ms Tan Ziyin Ilyna Mr Muhammad Firdaus Bin Kordi Ms Salwa Sanaullah Khan Ms Srivarshni Kasirajan Ms Leandra Richard R Mr Sheik Abdul Hafidz Bin Sheik A Hamid Ms Cassandra Yip
Absent with apologies	<u>Leads:</u> Ms Kimberly Quek <u>Members:</u> Ms Stacy Loo Shi Ting Mr Daryl Lee Jia Jun Ms Hannah Batrisyia Binte Hamdi Hidayat Mr Muhamad Tassri Mubarak