

# FOSTERING **COHESION**

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ANNUAL REPORT FY 2021/2022



# Our Mission

To nurture a harmonious society through cross-cultural education and further contribute to the success of multi-racial Singapore

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# Chairman's Message

Dear Friends

OnePeople.sg (OPSG) introduced new initiatives and continued to build on its engagements in the past year. The Covid-19 situation did not set us back. We pursued our programmes and engagements online with strong support from our stakeholders, partners, youths, community and religious groups and the broader public.

In response to race related incidents during the pandemic, OPSG stepped up to organise a series of Community Dialogues with our partners. These dialogues engaged community and religious organisations to share lived experiences, ground concerns and aspirations. There was a healthy exchange with political office holders on policy issues as well as ways to tackle racist and xenophobic sentiments. We plan to organise more of these dialogues in the future.

In conjunction with National Day Celebrations, OPSG released a new set of educational resources; a series of four short films online promoting messages of racial harmony. Themed "Inspiring Bonds", the short films portray our cultural diversity and commonalities. The videos were well received and circulated widely to our community partners and networks as a resource for education and engagement.

We strengthened our partnership with the Community Development Councils organising online cross-cultural learning journeys and Explorations in Ethnicity programmes for their staff, residents, grassroots leaders, community and youth groups. In rolling out these initiatives, OPSG developed new collaborations with religious organisations and helped build their capacity in scoping learning journeys online.

Our signature initiatives such as the HarmonyWorks! and OnePeople.sg Model United

Nations continue to engage youths on issues of cultural diversity and bring about fresh ideas to enhance racial harmony and advocacy.

The Regardless of Race dialogue enabled OPSG to collaborate with NGOs and media agencies in engaging the public on difficult issues of race. In addition, OPSG organised online mediation and facilitation courses to equip members of the Inter-Racial and Religious Confidence Circles with the knowledge and skills to manage ground concerns.

We are now on the road to recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic. We can now meet in person, form new friendships, rekindle ties and strengthen community relationships. The agility and adaptability we have shown as a community during the Covid-19 crisis is something we can leverage on. The challenges and issues concerning race relations will continue to evolve. Our diversity is our strongest asset. We need to celebrate this diversity and protect it, standing against divisive and extremist ideologies. We stand together in respect, understanding and trust, as one united people.

My deepest gratitude to fellow members of the Management Committee, staff, volunteers, partners, donors, stakeholders and well-wishers for their contributions and support.



**Dr Janil Puthucheary**

Chairman  
OnePeople.sg





# Our Management Committee

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Association of Muslim Professionals  
(Stepped Down on 24 June 2021)



# Empowering Youth



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Since volunteering with OnePeople.sg in March 2021, I have been given the opportunity to be a part of the organising committee for OnePeople Model United Nations (OPMUN) Conference 2021, as well as a participant of the HarmonyWorks! Conference (HWC) 2021. Being a part of the OnePeople.sg volunteers has gained me many valuable lessons and developed me as a leader. I also get to be more involved with the Singapore society, serving as an advocate for racial and religious harmony.

– Emylia Audreyna

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# HarmonyWorks! Conference 2021

## Confronting the Uncomfortable, Embracing OUR Differences

HarmonyWorks! Conference is a signature programme of OnePeople.sg (OPSG). The conference is an avenue for post-secondary students to exchange personal experiences and discuss inter-racial and inter-religious issues in Singapore.

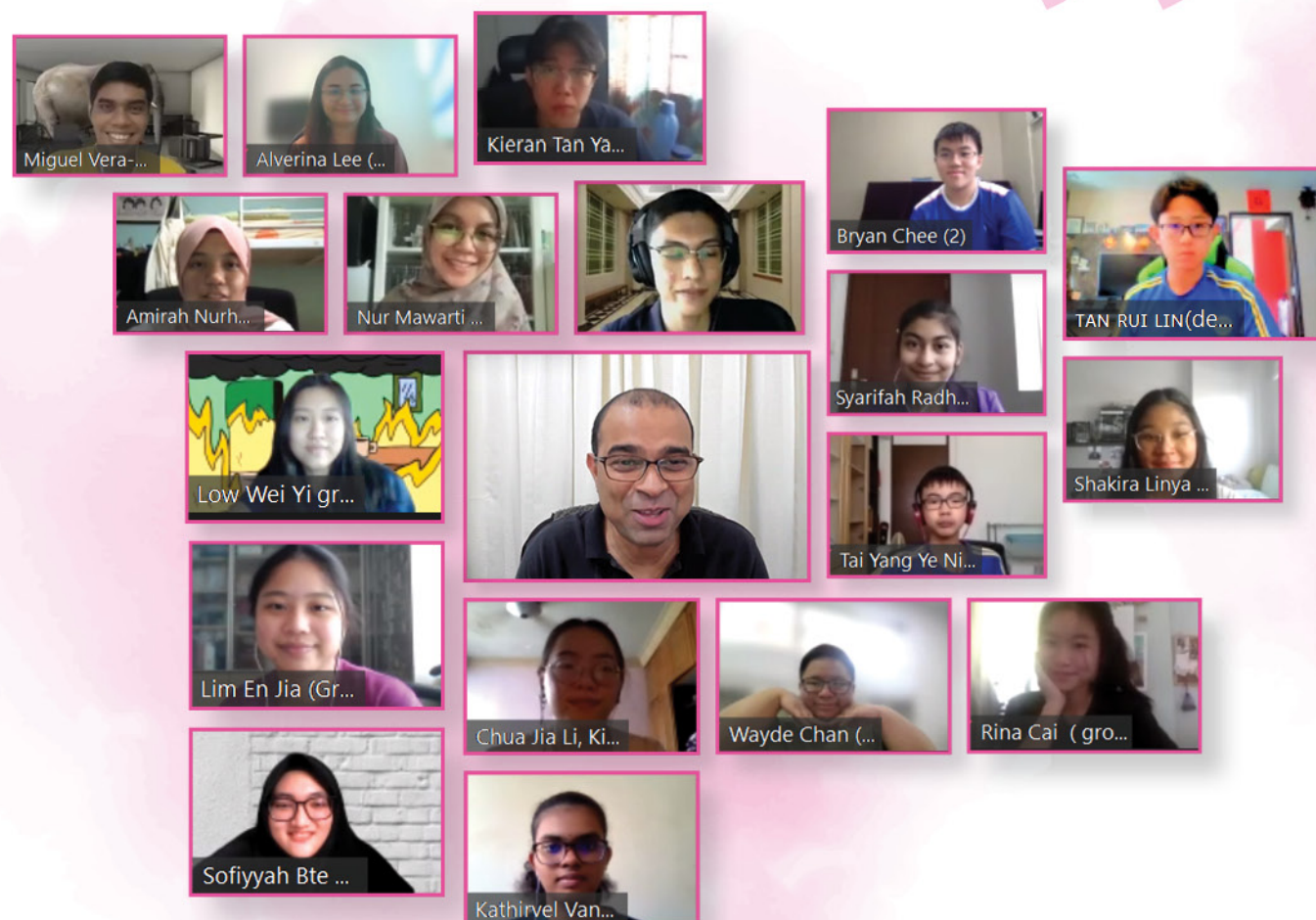
The 16th edition of the conference, themed “Confronting the Uncomfortable, Embracing OUR Differences”, was held online on 18 and 25 July 2022. A total of 268 participants from 45 educational institutions and community groups took part in the conference. This included breakout discussions on the first day, and youth presentations as well as a dialogue session on the second day.

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**As a facilitator at the HarmonyWorks! Conference, I've realised that issues on race and religion are, and always will be, a living issue in our society. I thought it was great for our participants to be heard by the Minister, especially since our youths hold the key in shaping racial harmony for future generations.**

– Mariah Franzciel  
OPSG facilitator, HarmonyWorks!  
Conference 2021

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31 of our advocates stepped up to scope the conference theme and discussion topics. They were also involved in outreach efforts and facilitating discussions. OPSG also held two online capacity-building sessions for our advocates and facilitators to prepare them for the breakout discussions.

Our advocates and facilitators engaged in thought-provoking conversations with participants on three topics; “tackling racial prejudice”, “nurturing spaces for constructive conversations”, and “navigating external influences”. Participants recounted personal experiences and explored ways to address current gaps.

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**Having a safe space during the conference helps younger participants to feel comfortable enough to join in the conversation with their seniors, and gain new insights from people of diverse backgrounds. I learnt that it would be beneficial to carefully choose between discussing racial affairs in public and behind closed doors depending on the situation.**

– Su Myat Noe  
Participant, HarmonyWorks! Conference 2021

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A key segment of this year's Conference was the engagement on difficult and heartfelt issues with Guest of Honour Mr Edwin Tong, Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Law. Minister Edwin Tong gave an opening speech and engaged in a dialogue with the youths. The candid session was moderated by Management Committee Member, Mdm Rahayu Mahzam.

Many of the participants expressed that the conference had provided a safe space for them to share their frank thoughts and concerns. They also felt that they were able to challenge prejudicial views and the conference made them more aware of sensitivities relating to race and religion.



# Explorations in Ethnicity Basic Course

The Explorations in Ethnicity (EiE) Basic Course is one of OPSG's key programmes that aims to address misconceptions of race and foster inter-ethnic relations through an experiential learning approach. During the session, participants engage in an honest discourse on ethnicity in a multi-racial setting while exploring the dynamics of cross-cultural relations through facilitated discussions and activities.

A total of 174 participants from Republic Polytechnic, Jurong Pioneer Junior College, Raffles Girls' School, and Singapore Institute of Technology as well as youth groups from the Community Development Councils attended the EiE Basic Course during the year. With COVID-19 measures easing up in the later half of the year, OPSG was privileged to work with educational institutions and stakeholders to hold several courses on site. Both online and physical courses were well-received by participants with the majority of them appreciating the experiential conversations challenging racial stereotypes and prejudices.

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**I have learnt about the difference between casual racism and racism, how stereotypes and biases impact inter-racial relationships, and ways we can tackle such issues.**

– Nainika Gupta  
Participant, Raffles Girls' School

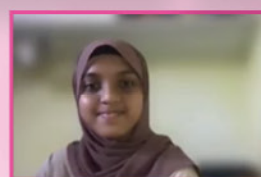
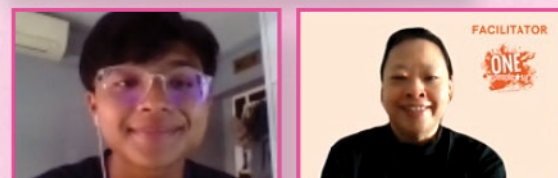
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**I think that it is important for youths to be equipped with the knowledge of how to have difficult conversations to work towards a more inclusive society. After listening to my peers' stories during the session, I learnt that everyone has their own life experiences which are important, meaningful, and inspiring.**

– Chariman Tang  
Participant, Jurong Pioneer Junior College

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# Explorations in Ethnicity Facilitator Course

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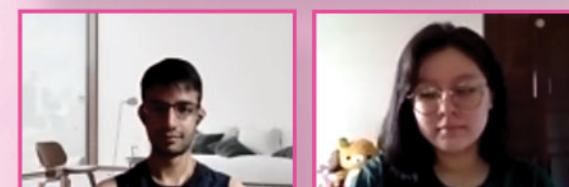
**I hope to facilitate and organise a dialogue session for students in collaboration with other interest groups in Republic Polytechnic (RP) to touch on race relations. I would like to get all students in RP to be united as one and make the school a better place.**

– Siti Nur Hajar  
Participant, Republic Polytechnic

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OPSG organises the Explorations in Ethnicity (EiE) Facilitator Course to equip participants with the knowledge, skills and experience to facilitate difficult conversations on race in a safe environment. As a peer-to-peer engagement model, graduates of our EiE Basic Course who wish to contribute further are trained as facilitators in this course.

With the easing of COVID-19 measures, OPSG has been working with our partners to provide both online and onsite facilitator courses. Participants were equipped with the skills to facilitate both online and physical engagements. During the year, the course developed 134 new facilitators comprising youths and working adults from diverse backgrounds, including participants of our OPSG Model United Nations (OPMUN) Conference.



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**Learning to facilitate sensitive topics encourages us to have a deeper understanding of interactions amongst people with different backgrounds. More importantly, it teaches us to not shy away from topics which may otherwise be difficult to have conversations about.”**

– Kang Wen Ting  
Participant, Ngee Ann Polytechnic

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# OPSG Model United Nations Conference 2021

The OPSG Model United Nations (OPMUN) Conference is a youth-for-youth initiative that simulates UN Committees with students role-playing as delegates. This is the only conference in the Model United Nations circuit that has a key focus on racial and religious issues in Singapore.

Themed “Happiness Brings Harmony”, the conference emphasised youth leadership, along with the academic rigour of debating policy issues concerning race and religion. The 7th edition of OPMUN took place from 10 to 12 December 2021, reaching out to a total of 388 youths and 45 volunteers from 39 schools.

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**By replicating local agencies and governmental authorities, OPMUN allows participants to explore and better comprehend pertinent issues within Singapore society. The emphasis on racial and religious harmony in Singapore makes participants more aware as we debate in this local Model UN, run by students for students.**

– Koh Hui Hsin Jacie  
Participant, OPMUN 2021

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Mr Zaqq Mohamad, Senior Minister of State for the Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Manpower, graced the opening ceremony as Guest of Honour and engaged participants in a dialogue themed, “The Future of Multicultural Singapore”. The dialogue touched on key challenges confronting race relations and the role youths can play in tackling racism and preserving racial harmony.

# CultureScope

CultureScope is a narrative-based learning journey that offers participants a safe setting to widen their understanding about Singapore’s diverse cultural and religious landscape. OnePeople.sg in partnership with People’s Association Malay Activity Executive Committees Council (PA MESRA) engaged Khadijah Mosque, Palelai Buddhist Temple, Sri Srinivasa Perumal Temple, and Church of Divine Mercy for the sharing session. The session which was held on 31 July 2021 reached 50 students from secondary schools and tertiary institutions. Participants felt that the interactions with religious and community hosts helped to deepen their understanding of intercultural and interfaith relations.

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**I feel that understanding religious practices from other cultures is the best way to promote social acceptance and that we should not make assumptions on a religion as a whole based on things we see in the media.**

– Summer Tan  
Participant, CultureScope

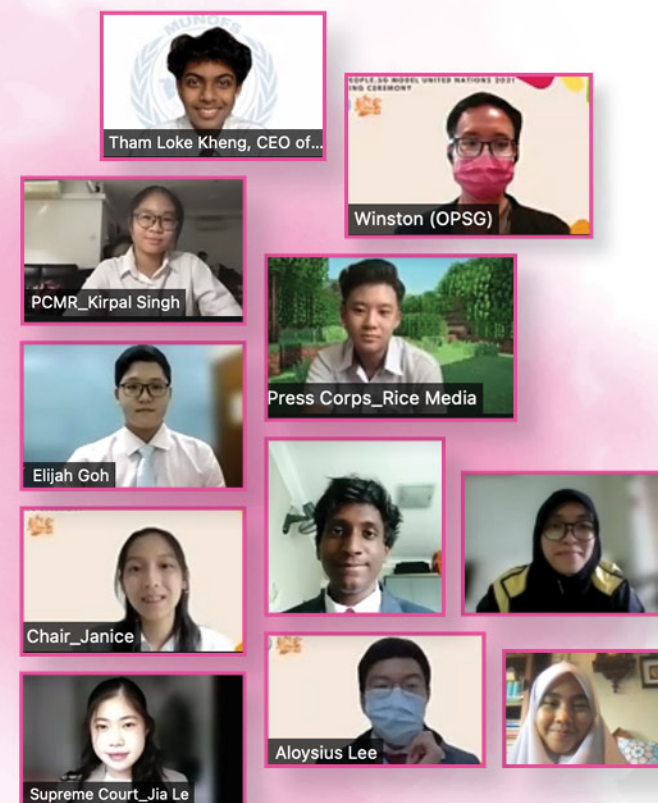
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Leading up to the conference, our youth volunteers were trained in the EiE Facilitator Course. Equipped with the necessary facilitation skills, our youth volunteers moderated discussions with Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) on the academic topics and in engagements with religious leaders to broaden the participants’ understanding on key tenets of diverse faiths in Singapore.

In addition, the youth volunteers championed three small-scale advocacy projects, which reached out to 53 youth participants. These projects explored topics concerning inclusion, microaggressions and racism on social media.

OPMUN advocates have also been active over social media, engaging fellow youths with activities and events as a lead-up to the OPMUN Conference. Since its launch, OPMUN has garnered more than 1,600 followers on its dedicated Facebook and Instagram pages.

The participants found OPMUN an enriching experience. Some participants from past OPMUN conferences have also stepped up to be part of the secretariat and chairing team for next year’s edition.





# Building Bridges



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I have volunteered with OPSG for about three years now, and I have been mainly doing advocacy work, facilitation, as well as organising events. OnePeople.sg has been very open and willing to educate even though I started off not fully understanding the state of race relations in Singapore. Through my time here, I have grown my passion for advocacy work, specifically pertaining to racial harmony and social cohesion.

– Rosaline Tan

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# Engaging Inter-Racial and Religious Confidence Circles (IRCCs)

## Capacity Building Workshop on Mediation

OPSG conducted customised online workshops on mediation for members of the Inter-Racial and Religious Confidence Circles (IRCC) with the support of Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY). These workshops equipped IRCC members with conflict resolution skills and confidence in mediating potential ground tensions and inter-ethnic conflicts.

33 IRCC members benefited from the online mediation workshops held on 25 September 2021 and 12 February 2022. At the end of the session, IRCC members were evaluated based on a capability development framework jointly developed by OPSG and the Singapore Mediation Centre. Participants expressed that the structure, content and frameworks were useful in fulfilling their duties as IRCC members.



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We always take for granted that listening is easy, but this programme highlighted many faults we do in this seemingly easy task. The role-play was an integral part of this programme as it helped us focus and improve upon our mediation skills.

– Mr Saleem Akhtar  
Serangoon IRCC

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This programme has provided good guidance and best practices on how to facilitate a mediation session. I have picked up valuable lessons on how to support relevant parties to develop their own solutions when addressing issues during conflicts.

– Ms Sarah Teo  
Pasir Ris East IRCC

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## Capacity Building Workshop on Facilitation

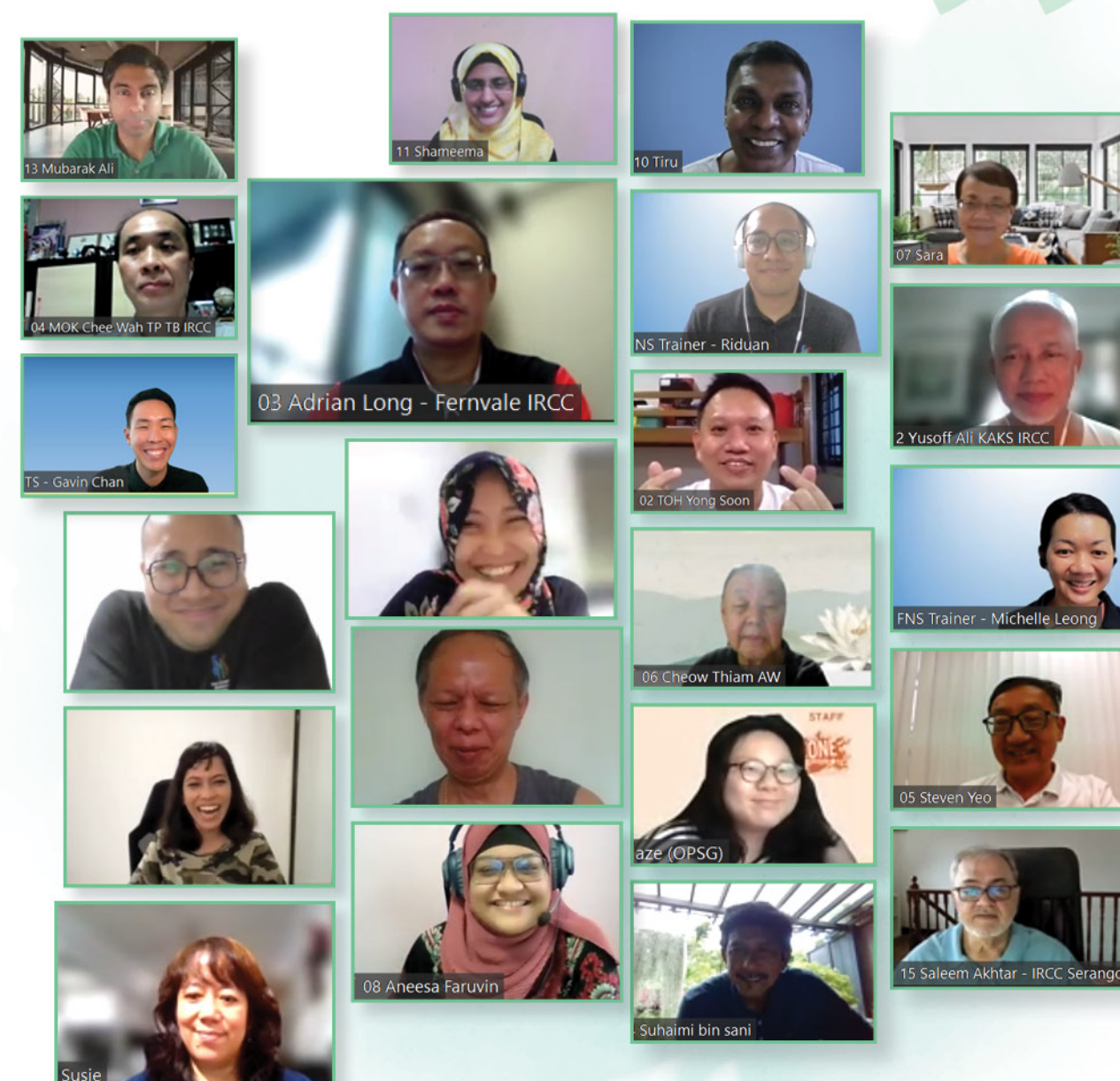
Two online capacity building workshops on facilitation were organised by OPSG for IRCC members on 13 November 2021 and 19 March 2022, with the support of MCCY. 23 IRCC members gained basic knowledge and skills to facilitate a safe space for conversations on sensitive and difficult issues. The participants also learnt how to manage inter-ethnic and religious differences effectively via role play sessions. The IRCC members were evaluated at the end of the session based on a capacity building framework jointly conceptualised by OPSG and Facilitators Network Singapore.

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This programme has enabled me to understand and apply techniques of communication known as the Six Types of Questions. This clears assumptions that will lead to better clarity. I found the group activity most enjoyable! The roleplay segment helped us better use the techniques learnt.

– Reverend Samuel Gift Stephen  
Nee Soon Central IRCC

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## Cultural Learning Journey

The Cultural Learning Journey is one of OPSG's initiatives to deepen intercultural and inter-religious understanding. This programme enables participants to understand key religious beliefs, practices and values through a narrative-driven learning journey with religious hosts.

OPSG conducted three online sessions of the Cultural Learning Journey for IRCC Members on 28 August 2021, 8 January 2022, and 29 January 2022. The programme was hosted by religious leaders and representatives from the An-Nahdhah Mosque and supported by MCCY. The sessions comprised a sharing on the essence of the Islamic faith, personal narratives and a dialogue session with the religious leaders and representatives.

91 participants attended the three sessions. They found the engagement candid, providing a safe platform to deepen exchanges and clarify misconceptions.



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Everything that the Ustad shared was interesting. Keeps you on edge, wanting to listen and know more about the Islamic faith.

– Tee Siew Hong  
Nee Soon Link IRCC

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## Engaging People's Association – WeCare PALs

On 19 March 2022, OPSG partnered People's Association (PA) in hosting their WeCare PALs for a learning journey themed, “Beyond Tolerance, Embracing Diversity”.

The physical learning journey was led by Management Committee Member, Mr Mohamed Nasim at our premises. We welcomed participants from 11 organisations who learnt more about our mission, role, programmes and initiatives. Our youth advocates, Mr Leonard Sim and Mr Arshul Garg also shared personal insights in spearheading initiatives at OPSG, and how they stepped up from being a participant to an advocate, building deeper race relations among youths.

The session concluded with an enlightening dialogue session on the state of race relations in Singapore with our Management Committee Members, Dr Mathew Mathews and Mr Mohamed Nasim as panellists.





# Partnering Community Development Councils

OPSG collaborated with the Community Development Councils (CDCs) on a series of customised online learning journeys and conversational models to foster intercultural understanding. These initiatives deepened engagement with the grassroots, residents, youths and stakeholders within respective CDC districts.

## Online Experiential Learning Journey

The Online Experiential Learning Journey is part of OPSG's efforts to deepen intercultural and interreligious understanding. It presents an opportunity for the participants to learn about key tenets, norms, and values of specific ethnic and faith communities through heart-to-heart conversations with religious leaders.

OPSG conducted two runs of the Online Experiential Learning Journey in collaboration with South West CDC. The sessions were hosted by Lorong Koo Chye Sheng Hong Temple and Maarof Mosque. These were held in October 2021, and January 2022, benefiting over 140 participants.

A session was also conducted for South East CDC, hosted by Khadijah Mosque and the Religious Rehabilitation Group, on 26 March 2022. 12 youth participants from the South East district attended that online session.

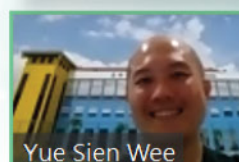
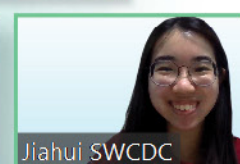
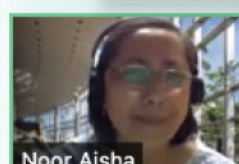
Majority of the participants found the sessions insightful. They expressed that the sessions helped them appreciate commonalities and personal narratives shared by the respective faith leaders.

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**I found the question-and-answer segment most engaging as I was able to gain insights directly from a Taoist master.**

– Fitri Fauzi  
Participant,  
South West CDC

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**I learnt more about the values of Islam, the architecture and the meaning behind the mosque building and design. I also gained a better understanding of the Islamic calendar and special dates.**

– Daryl Soh  
Participant,  
South West CDC

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## Explorations in Ethnicity Basic Course

OPSG partnered with North West CDC in hosting two runs of the online Explorations in Ethnicity (EiE) programme. A total of 31 youths and adults from North West CDC's Youth Wing benefited from the sessions, which were held on 5 December 2021 and 26 February 2022. The EiE programme was also organised in partnership with South West CDC. 21 participants, consisting of secondary school students and residents from the South West district, attended on 15 March 2022. The participants had heartfelt conversations, empathising with one another's personal stories.



## Mayor's Network @ NorthWest Schools

OPSG supported North West CDC's engagement with educators, titled "Mayor's Network @ NorthWest Schools". The event was held online on 24 November 2021. Management Committee Member, Mr Mohamed Nasim joined Mr Alex Yam, Mayor of North West District and a representative from Boy's Town in a sharing session and panel discussion.

The audience consisted of educators from different tertiary schools in the North West district. Mr Mohamed Nasim shared about OPSG's key thrusts and the different conversation models offered to deepen engagement with youths.

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**Now I can look out for my friends who may be getting discriminated against, and I can also stand up for myself if I am being targeted.**

– Nur Fatin  
Participant,  
South West CDC

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## Building Capabilities Among Religious Organisations

A majority of the customised programmes and initiatives with the Community Development Councils during the year involved interfaith engagements. OPSG played an important role in building capabilities of various religious organisations to curate and implement online or hybrid learning journeys. This enabled religious organisations to conduct meaningful learning journeys engaging the broader community.

In addition to our existing network of religious organisations, OPSG collaborated with Lorong Koo Chye Sheng Hong Temple, Palelai Buddhist Temple, Sri Srinivasa Perumal Temple, Church of Divine Mercy, An-Nahdhah Mosque and Maarof Mosque during the year.



# Beyond Borders



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**OPSG empowers youths to be the next generation of champions for race and religious harmony. They have helped me grow to become a better person and advocate. They have helped me see how much our voices can achieve.**

**– Arshul Garg**

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# Community Dialogues in Collaboration with Partners

Working with our various partners, OPSG organised six community dialogues over the months of July and August, and a session in October 2021. This initiative enables a constructive space to discuss hotbed issues, especially with regard to incidents of racism, as well as elicits ground perspectives to build our ideals and aspirations.

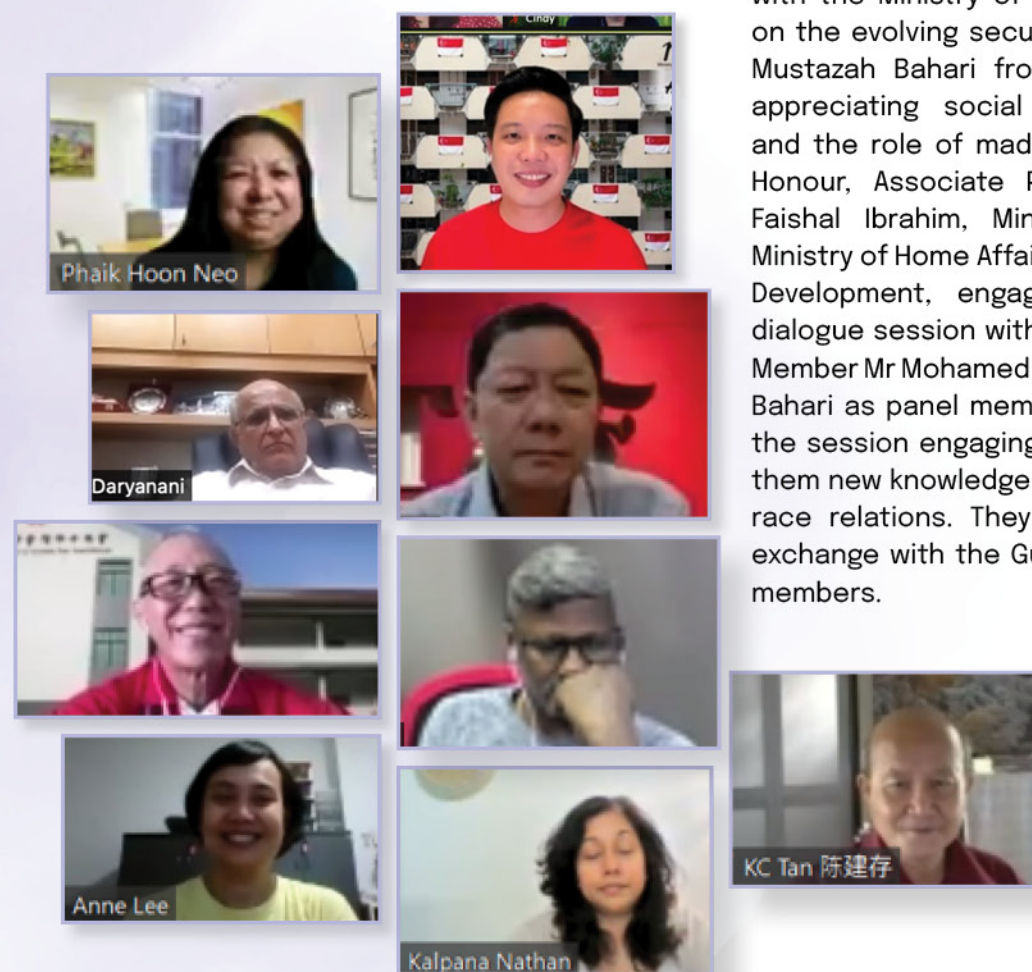
OPSG collaborated with 10 community partners in holding the dialogue sessions online:

- Eurasian Association
- Hash.Peace
- Nanyang Technological University (NTU) Graduate School
- NTU Muslim Society
- Roses of Peace
- Singapore Federation of Chinese Clan Associations
- Singapore Indian Development Association
- Sikh Advisory Board
- Singapore Khalsa Association
- Young Sikh Association



OPSG Chairman Dr Janil Puthucheary teamed up with political office holders as key speakers for the dialogue sessions. Minister Indranee Rajah, Minister S. Iswaran, Senior Minister of State Ms Sim Ann, Minister of State Mr Alvin Tan, and Management Committee Member Mdm Rahayu Mahzam were involved in individual engagements as Guest of Honour. In total, the dialogue series engaged 665 participants.

Some of the key topics discussed were racial classification, intergenerational perspectives, identity, majority privilege, local-migrant integration, and workplace discrimination. There was a healthy exchange on policy considerations as well as how some of the issues impact our social fabric. The sessions also explored avenues to bridge gaps. Feedback from the sessions was largely positive with participants finding the dialogues relevant and purposeful. Participants also found the personal experiences shared by the speakers relatable.



# Engagement with Madrasahs

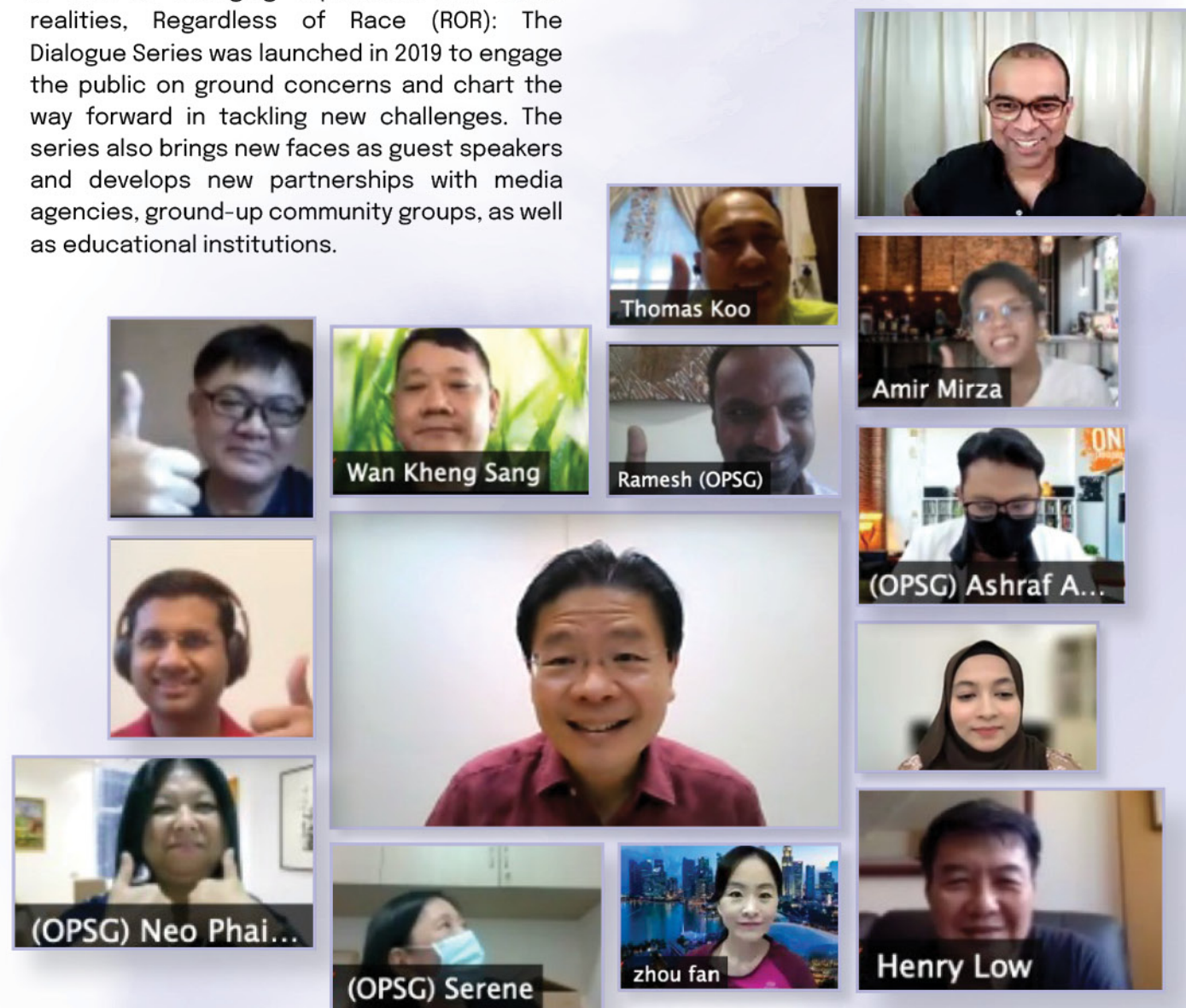
As an extension of our partnership with the Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (MUIS), OPSG supported the sixth Madrasah Seminar on 25 September 2021. The seminar themed “#Common Spaces: Strengthening Our Social Cohesion” was conducted in a hybrid format, taking place onsite at Madrasah Aljunied Al-Islamiah, and online with participation from the rest of the madrasahs in Singapore. A total of 123 madrasah students participated in the seminar.

Management Committee Member Dr Mathew Mathews presented on “Our Singaporean Values; Safeguarding Our Common Spaces”. The other presenters were Ms Sarah Tan, Psychologist with the Ministry of Home Affairs, who spoke on the evolving security landscape; and Ustaz Mustazah Bahari from MUIS, who shared on appreciating social cohesion in Singapore and the role of madrasah students. Guest of Honour, Associate Professor Dr Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Minister of State for the Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development, engaged the students in a dialogue session with Management Committee Member Mr Mohamed Nasim and Ustaz Mustazah Bahari as panel members. The students found the session engaging and felt the topics gave them new knowledge on key issues concerning race relations. They also valued the candid exchange with the Guest of Honour and panel members.



# Regardless of Race – The Dialogue Series

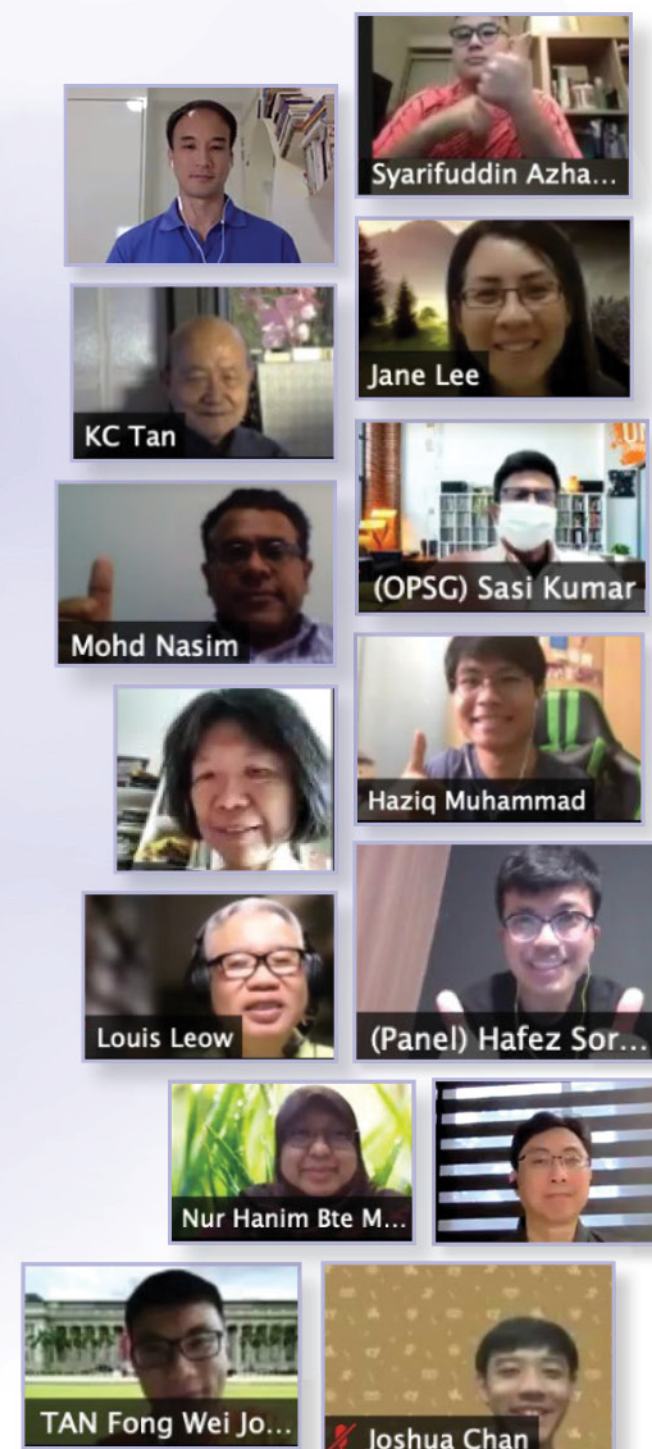
In view of changing aspirations and social realities, Regardless of Race (ROR): The Dialogue Series was launched in 2019 to engage the public on ground concerns and chart the way forward in tackling new challenges. The series also brings new faces as guest speakers and develops new partnerships with media agencies, ground-up community groups, as well as educational institutions.



To conclude the first phase of this dialogue series, OPSG held the final edition of ROR on 17 April 2021 in partnership with Mothership.sg and Roses of Peace. ROR Dialogue VI was aptly titled "Reflections and Aspirations" – drawing learning lessons from past engagements, which explored issues of casual racism, identity, social media norms and intergenerational perspectives.

Hosted by Chairman OPSG Dr Janil Puthuchear, the session was graced by Guest of Honour, then Minister for Education and Second Minister for Finance Mr Lawrence Wong who engaged in a robust dialogue with participants. The session also featured past panellists who shared insights and personal experiences.

This sixth edition of ROR was held online and reached 144 participants who came from different backgrounds. The participants felt that the dialogue had given them a better understanding of some of the difficult issues relating to ethnic diversity. They also felt that such frank dialogues could help break stereotypical or prejudicial views about race.



“Candid and honest comments about our racial status in Singapore, with different perspectives from the panellists. Minister Lawrence Wong also gave his point of view in a personable and relatable manner, different from that of any official setting.”

– Syarifuddin Azhar Bin Rosli  
Participant

## Support to Total Defence Campaign 2021

OPSG supported the N.E.mation Total Defence Campaign 2021, organised by Singapore Discovery Centre (SDC). Themed, "Together We Keep Singapore Strong", this annual competition provides a platform for secondary and post-secondary students to express ideas, promote greater awareness and put Total Defence into action.

Management Committee Member, Mr Christopher Gordon, shared with participants on our key messages and role in Social Defence as part of the Virtual Partner's Immersion Sessions. The online session held on 14 October 2021, involved about 30 participating students and received positive feedback. In addition to the sharing session, OPSG also shared a resource kit with SDC. This kit served as supplementary materials for students to work on their story ideas.



# Short Film Series : Inspiring Bonds

In conjunction with National Day Celebrations, OPSG piloted a new set of educational resources – a series of four short films online promoting messages of racial harmony.

The short films portray our cultural diversity and underpinning commonalities through interactions that take place among our young in natural settings. Titled “Neighbours”, “Memories are Made of This”, “Meal Time” and “Best Friends Forever”, the films convey messages of filial piety, empathy, friendship, and kindness.

The films were released during the period 5 to 8 August on our social media individually as a lead-up to National Day. On National Day 2021, all four films were released on our social media under the theme, “Inspiring Bonds”. This video is available on our YouTube channel where it has garnered more than 4,000 views to date. The videos were also circulated widely to our community partners and networks as a resource for education and engagement.



See the world differently through our children's eyes.



Tradition is best remembered when sweetened with love.



It's at meal time that you see how Singaporean we really are.



The best recipe for friendship is our willingness to learn from each other.

# Social Media Engagement

## OPSG Website

Besides providing information on our programmes, our website also hosts useful race-related resources like our Singapore Ethnic Mosaic Education Series and avenues for volunteer recruitment and engagement. The booking platform on our website also allows those in search of a venue to host meetings and training courses to rent our facilities at affordable rates.



## OPSG Instagram

Apart from Facebook, OPSG concurrently engages the public on Instagram through regular updates on programmes, events, and interesting cultural-related facts. Unlike our Facebook page, our Instagram account allows for more direct connections with younger audiences through eye-catching images, polls, and short video clips, amongst others. Our Instagram has garnered more than 1,000 followers to date, including potential partners with a mission similar to ours.



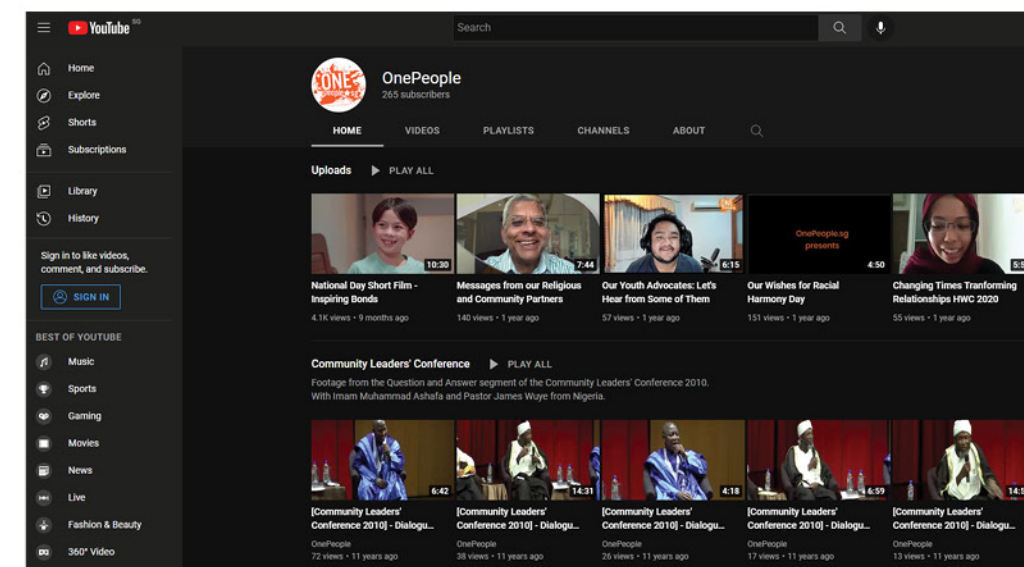
## OPSG Facebook

Facebook is one of OPSG's main platforms to engage the public on our latest updates with more than 6,900 followers. In addition, Facebook provides a useful platform to post our responses to race-related issues and share inspiring stories from our very own advocates.



## OPSG YouTube

OPSG hosts a wide selection of videos related to race relations in Singapore, in the form of dialogues, interviews, and short films on our YouTube channel. It also serves as a resource video library for educational purposes.





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My experience volunteering with OnePeople.sg for about 2 years has been very enriching. Having been involved in the Leadership Programme of the OPMUN, I have learnt more about spreading the message of racial and religious harmony. I also feel that I have been given the opportunity to enrich those around and beyond me on the exciting things we can learn about the people around us.

– Muhammad Zahid

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