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Dear *Dr Laconte*

Cities in Transformation - Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Commemorative 2010/2012

1 I would like to thank you for your continuous support and commitment as distinguished Prize Council member of the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize. I am forwarding for your reading pleasure a copy of the book entitled 'Cities in Transformation'.

2 The book will be launched on 1st Jul 2012, at the World Cities Summit 2012. It aims to facilitate the sharing of key learning points and best urban practices from the 2010 and 2012 Laureates and nominees accorded Special Mentions. Through this book, the Prize hopes to serve as an avenue for learning and sharing for cities.

3 Please feel free to contact the Prize Secretariat should you have any queries about the book. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
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**Chairman
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Mr S. Dhanabalan is currently chairman of Temasek Holdings (Private) Ltd, a member of the Council of Presidential Advisers and a member of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights. He was chairman of Singapore Airlines Ltd (1996–98), chairman of DBS Group Holdings Ltd (1999–2005) and director of Government of Singapore Investment Corporation (1981–2005). He started his career in the Singapore Civil Service in 1960 and later served in the Economic Development Board, the government investment promotion agency, from 1961 to 1968. He was part of a pioneer group that established The Development Bank of Singapore Ltd, where he served from 1968 to 1978. He entered politics in 1976 and while a member of parliament, he held a number of cabinet positions: minister for foreign affairs (1980–88), minister for culture (1981–84), minister for community development (1985–86), minister for national development (1987–92) and minister for trade and industry (1992–93).

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Mr J.Y. Pillay

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Mr J.Y. Pillay is the chairman of the Council of Presidential Advisers and a member of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights. He is also the newly appointed chairman of Tiger Airways. He served as chairman of the Singapore Exchange Limited from 1999 to 2010. He was in the administrative service of the Government of Singapore from 1961 to 1995, during which he held various portfolios, including Permanent Secretary for Ministry of National Development. He served in the ministries of Finance, Defence, the Monetary Authority of Singapore and the Government of Singapore Investment Corporation. Mr Pillay served as chairman on the boards of Singapore Airlines Ltd (1972–96), Temasek Holdings (Private) Ltd (1974–86), The Development Bank of Singapore Ltd (1979–84) and Singapore Technologies Holdings (Private) Ltd (1991–94).



Professor Fumihiko Maki

**Principal
Maki & Associates**

Professor Fumihiko Maki has been the principal architect of his own firm Maki and Associates in Tokyo since 1965. He was the 1993 Pritzker Architecture Prize Laureate. He studied architecture at the University of Tokyo. He taught at Harvard's Graduate School of Design from 1962 to 1965 and also at the University of Tokyo from 1979 to 1989 and has been a frequent guest lecturer at numerous other schools. Professor Maki is also a winner of the fourth UIA Gold Medal, the third Prince of Wales Prize in Urban Design, the Thomas Jefferson Medal in Architecture, the Wolf Foundation Prize, and the Praemium Imperiale award, as well as the Gold Medal of the American Institute of Architects in 2011.



Mr Achim Steiner

**Executive Director
United Nations Environment
Programme (UNEP)**

Acting on the nomination of Secretary-General Kofi Annan, the UN General Assembly unanimously elected Mr Achim Steiner as the executive director of UNEP for a four-year term in 2006. He is the fifth executive director in UNEP's history. At its 83rd plenary meeting in 2010, the UN General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, re-elected Mr Steiner as executive director of the UNEP for another four-year term. Before joining UNEP, Mr Steiner served as director general of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), from 2001 to 2006. His professional career has included assignments with governmental, non-governmental and international organisations in different parts of the world including India, Pakistan, Germany, Zimbabwe, the USA, Vietnam, South Africa, Switzerland and Kenya. He worked both at a grassroots level as well as at the highest levels of international policymaking to address the interface between environmental sustainability, social equity and economic development.



Dr John So

**Former Lord Mayor
Melbourne**

Dr John So is one of Melbourne's longest serving councillors, and twice elected lord mayor. Campaigning for social equity has been a constant theme in Dr So's public career, subsequently leading to community representation on a broad range of business, social, planning and environmental issues. Dr So has been accredited with the successful staging of the 2006 Commonwealth Games and his assiduous efforts to promote the city abroad, leading him to be personally identified with the That's Me!bourne initiative to promote the city. His focus on international business, culture and trade has resulted in the development of strong partnerships with world economic centres. In 2006, Dr So's promotion of Melbourne, nationally and internationally, led to him being named World Mayor by the international World Mayor Project. Dr So is a key figure in Australasian capital city and local government responses to climate change.



Dr Pierre Laconte

**Immediate Past President
International Society of City
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Dr Laconte is the president of the Foundation for the Urban Environment. He was one of the three planners responsible for the master plan and the architectural coordination of Louvain-la-Neuve, a new university town that was developed by the Louvain University from 1968 on agricultural land near Brussels and built around a new railway station. Entirely pedestrian and with numerous water- and energy-saving features, it was awarded the UIA Abercrombie Award in 1982. He served as vice president of the Scientific Committee, European Environment Agency (EEA, Copenhagen), EU Agency for environmental research and information. His published works include: *Human and Energy Factors in Planning: A Systems Approach*; *Water Resources and Land Use Planning: A Systems Approach*; *Train, Station and City*; *Airport, Train and City* and *Brussels: Perspectives for a European Capital*, which won the Society of Human Ecology Award for Best Publication 2008.