



Associate Professor (Practice) Yeo Li Pheow

Assoc Prof Yeo Li Pheow has helmed IAL as its Executive Director since March 2023.

Prior to that, Assoc Prof Yeo's illustrious career with the Polytechnics started in 1990 and he was the Principal & Chief Executive Officer of Republic Polytechnic for close to 15 years before joining IAL. From May 2001 to Apr 2003, Assoc Prof Yeo held the appointment as Deputy Director, Higher Education Division at the Ministry of Education. Assoc Prof Yeo also spent the first six and half years of his career in the banking industry before entering the Education service.

Assoc Prof Yeo graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Economics (Accountancy Major) from Macquarie University, Australia in 1983 through the Australian Assistance Development Bureau Scheme. In 1993, he completed his Master's Degree in Business Administration at the Institut Supérieur de Gestion (ISG), France, through a scholarship jointly awarded by ISG through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore and Temasek Polytechnic. In 2013, Assoc Prof Yeo completed the Advanced Management Programme at Harvard Business School.

Assoc Prof Yeo is a Fellow of the Australian Society of CPAs, an Associate of The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (UK) and a member of the Singapore Institute of Directors.

For his distinguished service to the Education sector and the Singapore Public Service, Assoc Prof Yeo was awarded the following National Day Awards:

Public Administration Medal (Bronze) in 2003;
Public Service Long Service Medal in 2017;
Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2019;
Public Administration Medal (Bronze) – CoViD-19 in 2023; and

CoViD-19 Resilience Medal in 2023

Drawing on his expertise in education and training, Assoc Prof Yeo is currently serving as a Board member of NTUC LearningHub. He previously served as a member on the Board of Civil Service College.

He was also conferred the award of Honorary Doctor [Dr. (h.c.)] of the James Cook University in 2018 in recognition of his exceptional services that have significantly contributed towards the advancement of the James Cook University.