

2025 ARMS-SG Symposium

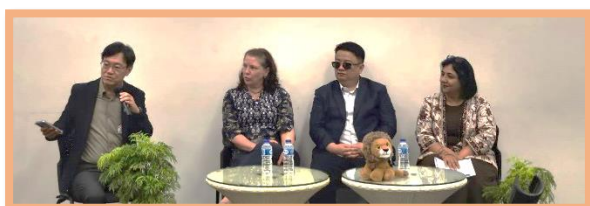
The Australasian Research Management Society Singapore Chapter (ARMS-SG) held its annual Symposium on **25 June 2025** at James Cook University's Singapore campus. With the theme **"Leadership, Strategy & Security Amid a Climate of Global Uncertainty,"** the half-day event brought together close to 50 research management professionals and stakeholders from across Singapore.



The Symposium was opened by **Dr Willie Koh**, Co-Convenor of ARMS-SG, who highlighted the Society's mission to support research management professionals and reflected on past chapter activities. He also underscored the increasing importance of research security in today's complex geopolitical climate, setting the stage for the discussions ahead.

The speaker line-up featured **Dr Majeed Khader** (Chief Psychologist, Ministry of Home Affairs), **Assoc Prof Denise Dillon** (Dean Research (Acting), James Cook University Singapore), **Dr Neo Loo Seng** (Associate Director, RySense Academy), and **Ms Natasha Raina** (Managing Director, LegalEASE Pte Ltd). Each speaker offered valuable perspectives on enabling impactful and translational research, and the evolving competencies required of research management professionals. A recurring theme was the need to communicate research outcomes effectively to stakeholders beyond academia, thereby enhancing their societal and policy relevance.

The event concluded with a Panel Session, chaired by **Prof Michael Khor**, Co-Convenor of ARMS-SG. The discussion explored strategies to sustain stakeholder engagement throughout the research lifecycle and identify key skillsets for research management professionals to remain future ready.



Panelists from left to right: Prof Michael Khor (moderator), Assoc Prof Denise Dillon, Dr Neo Loo Seng, Ms Natasha Raina.

A highlight of this year's Symposium was the **ARMS-SG Chapter Awards**. These awards celebrate individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and service in research management.



The **Outstanding Service Award** received eight nominations and was awarded to **Ms Yennie Kadarusman** (*left*) while the **Leadership Award**, with two nominations, went to **Ms Goh Su Nee** (*right*).

This year's Symposium concluded with a networking session over canapés, providing participants a relaxed setting to continue exchanging insights and reflections on the day's discussions.



The ARMS-SG Symposium 2025 concluded successfully, with overall feedback received being that it was a good event. We thank all speakers, attendees, and partners for their meaningful contributions and active engagement.

