Every breath we take: How safe are we?
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Synopsis
Air is an essential consumable that all human life depends on. Most of us seldom have a choice in determining the quality of air that we breathe. Yet the quality of air that we consume has a direct impact on our health. In 2021, the World Health Organization provided stricter air quality targets to inform public policy and plans to help reduce the concentrations of air pollutants associated with health burden. In this talk, Joel will share about the health impacts of air pollution, the priorities for mitigation, and the implications for population health in South-East Asia.

Speaker’s Biography
Joel is an environmental epidemiologist with a background in public health and environmental engineering. His present research focuses on assessing the influence of climate variability and air quality on the risk of communicable and non-communicable health outcomes in human populations, as well as the evaluation of interventions and programmes to inform public health policy and practice.

He previously consulted for the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the World Health Organization (WHO) on vector-borne disease studies. He graduated from NUS with a Bachelor’s degree in Environmental Engineering, then completed his Masters in Epidemiology at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. He received his Doctorate in Public Health from the University of New South Wales.

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