

**FOR IMMEDIATE REPORTING**

**NEW CHIEF STATISTICIAN AT THE SINGAPORE DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS**

1 The Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) today announced that Dr Koh Eng Chuan, currently the Deputy Chief Statistician, will be appointed as Chief Statistician at the Singapore Department of Statistics (DOS) on 1 April 2022. He will succeed Ms Wong Wee Kim when her term ends on 31 March 2022.

**Ms Wong Wee Kim 王辉锦**

2 Ms Wong was appointed Chief Statistician at DOS on 1 July 2006. She has served in the public sector for 39 years, and held various leadership positions in EDB prior to her appointment as Chief Statistician.



3 As Chief Statistician, Ms Wong led DOS in ensuring timely provision of major national statistical indicators, analytical insights to support policy evaluation and recommendations in the economic and social domains. She also played an integral role in driving DOS' transformation to be a leading national statistical office internationally, as well as a capability centre for individual and business data.

4 Under her leadership, DOS has increased the scalability of data access and has proactively rolled out user-centric platforms. This facilitates the provision of products and services catering to the specific data needs of different stakeholders, including government agencies, businesses, academics, research communities, students and the general public.

5 For her significant contributions to the Public Service, Ms Wong was conferred the Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2014.

**Dr Koh Eng Chuan 许永泉**

6 Dr Koh was appointed as Deputy Chief Statistician at DOS on 1 April 2015. He has made significant contributions to the development of population and household statistics, and expanded the use of integrated administrative databases to support studies and compilation of statistics on a more frequent and timely basis. A strong advocate of innovation, Dr Koh actively contributed to process re-engineering and enhancements to the collection and compilation of price statistics and household surveys. In 2020, he led the planning and conduct of Singapore's Census of Population, overcoming operational challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic.



7 Mr Gabriel Lim, Permanent Secretary for MTI, said, "I would like to thank Wee Kim for her contributions and commitment to DOS for the past 16 years. Her leadership has been invaluable in strengthening DOS' position as a leading national statistical office internationally, and increasing data access both within the government and for the public." Mr Lim welcomed Dr Koh as the new Chief Statistician at DOS.

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