Adjunct Professor Seek Ngee Huat received an Outstanding Service Award

Dr Seek Ngee Huat, an illustrious NUS alumnus, was lauded at the NUS University Awards 2015 on 24 April at the University Cultural Centre. This annual event honours and recognises individuals who have excelled in the areas of education and research, and displayed exceptional contributions to Singapore and the global community. Dr Seek received an Outstanding Service Award.

Dr Seek is one of Singapore’s international real estate titans. His influence extends beyond the real estate sector; he has served the profession, academia and the wider community with distinction in many ways. Within his professional sphere, Dr Seek systematically raised the bar for industry practitioners within Singapore and internationally. As an eminent thought leader, he is actively sought after for his insights and expertise within the corporate and academic circles. He is also a generous philanthropist with a heart for the less fortunate.

Dr Seek Ngee Huat served as President of the Government of Singapore Investment Corporation’s Real Estate Private Limited for 15 years. He transformed real estate investment into a compelling business model and asset class for sovereign wealth funds. In addition to being Chairman, Global Logistic Properties, Dr Seek is also the Chairman of the Institute of Real Estate Studies (IRES) at the NUS, a position he has held since 2009.

It is Dr Seek’s single-minded conviction to the cause of excellence in research and education that saw the establishment of IRES in 2007 where he actively supported the initiative. He continued to champion the mission of this institute as part of its inaugural Management Board, and subsequently assumed Chairmanship in 2009. Through the years, he reinforced the foundation of the institute and continued to raise its profile by setting the direction, building industry alliances and working fervently to fundraise. Today, IRES is a world-renowned real estate research institute and we owe much to Dr Seek. Aside from this, Dr Seek has always taken an interest in trying to advance NUS’ curriculum with industry-relevant elements. In this respect, he is instrumental in the establishment of the MBA Real Estate programme. He is also an adjunct professor of real estate at the School of Design and Environment. His magnanimous gift to NUS has enabled the establishment of the NH Seek Fund for Real Estate Education and Research. Dr Seek also has a heart for the underprivileged as he has generously donated funds to provide scholarships for top performing needy students.

Dr Seek was also conferred the Singapore Public Administration Gold Medal in 2007 and the NUS Distinguished Alumni Service Award in 2011.