

**THE DUTERTE MANIFESTO:
ASSESSING IMPLICATIONS OF DUTERTE PRESIDENCY
TO PHILIPPINE DEMOCRACY AND SOCIETY**

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Background: This roundtable aims to take stock of the prospects of the Philippines under the new government of Rodrigo Duterte. On many fronts, Duterte has been getting international spotlight due to his controversial statements and policies. At home, his violent national war against drugs has been the subject of intense public debates. Overseas, his move to re-orient the country's foreign policy away from the US and towards China is being watched closely. Within the Southeast Asian region, Duterte's regional leadership is assessed as he assumes the chairmanship of ASEAN at a critical time in the region's history. Coming from various disciplines and touching on distinct but interrelated issues, participants in this roundtable will attempt to answer this question: how will the Duterte presidency make an impact on the politics, economics and culture both of the country and in Southeast Asia?

Indicative list of presenters:

1. Michael Tiu, Jr., Department of Legal Studies, CEU
2. Esther Mary Calvo, Department of Political Science, CEU
3. Richard Karl Deang, Department of Gender Studies, CEU
4. Regina Baroma, Department of Economics, CEU
5. Tieza Santos, Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy, CEU
6. Veronica Gregorio, Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore