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Is the Global Economy Still in Crisis? A Public Talk by Dr Jacques Attali

As the global economy continues its recovery, there remains a need for effective global policy to address downside risks. In this context, what is the future for Asia?

Dr Jacques Attali, professor, writer, banker and named by the Foreign Policy magazine as one of the top 100 public intellectuals in the world, will speak about threats and dilemmas of global economic crises on Thursday 13th January 2011.

Dr Attali is an honorary Member of the Council of State of France. He was the founder and the first President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development from 1991 to 1993. He was Special Adviser to the late French President François Mitterrand from 1981 to 1991. President of PlaNet Finance, an international non-profit organisation that promotes microfinance institutions in some 80 countries, Dr Attali was appointed by French President Nicolas Sarkozy in August 2007 as head of the Commission for the promotion of French economic growth. Dr Attali has written some 50 books with over six million copies sold internationally. His works include essays on a wide range of subjects: mathematics, econometrics, music, biographies, and plays.

This public talk is organised by the Asia-Europe Foundation in partnership with the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies. It will be an open forum where Dr Attali will interact with members of the public and answer their questions. Singapore Foreign Minister George Yeo will introduce Dr Attali at the talk.

Admission to the talk is free. It will be held at the Ballroom of the Raffles Hotel.

Venue: The Ballroom, Level 3, Raffles Hotel
Address: 1 Beach Rd, Singapore 189673
Date: Thursday 13 January 2011
Timing: 10.00 AM – 12.00 PM

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