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## ACRES founder and former PAP MP Louis Ng joins National University of Singapore

Ng joins NUS as associate professor, and will be working on a programme that helps communities in Southeast Asia devise sustainability solutions.

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Louis Ng, the founder of Singapore animal welfare charity ACRES and former member of parliament (MP) for the ruling People's Action Party (PAP), has joined the National University of Singapore (NUS), Eco-Business has learnt.

Ng, who has a master's degree in primate conservation, returns to academia after 21 years as associate professor (Practice) with NUS College's special programmes team.

He will be teaching [Making Connections](#) courses as well as supporting the development of the college's [Impact Experience](#) programmes and initiatives. This will involve supervising students working with communities in Southeast Asia to devise sustainability solutions.

"I'm glad to be back at NUS, where I graduated in 2002," Ng told Eco-Business. "It's also where my journey as a changemaker began – I founded my non-profits, ACRES, while I was a second-year undergraduate. This university has given me so much and I'm excited to give back. At NUS, I look forward to engaging, empowering and inspiring our next generation of global leaders."

During his time as MP, Ng was the most active politician in parliament, asking 1,055 questions over 10 years as an MP. He championed a broad range of causes, including [greater protections for Singapore's wildlife](#), a [reduction in single-use plastic consumption](#), a ban on migrant workers being transported on the back of lorries, and allowing cats in public housing blocks.

Ng announced his retirement from politics prior to the [2025 general election](#). He had [stepped down](#) from his role as chief executive of ACRES in 2021 to focus on his parliamentary work.

In April, ACRES co-chief executive Anbarasi Boopal stepped down after almost 10 years with the organisation. Long-serving staffer Kalai Vanan now leads the charity, which rescues distressed and injured wildlife and campaigns for an end to the illegal wildlife trade. Singapore is a major global hub for the trade.