MORE ATTRACTIONS NEEDED TO DRAW TOURISTS

"If Singapore does not possess differentiated attractions that give tourists reason to spend more time here... there is no reason why they will not go elsewhere. Even with two IRs, attractions need to be added... This can include promoting ecological attractions like Chek Jawa and reinvigorating the heartlands of mature HDB estates... by arranging more guided tours to such areas."

CHRISTOPHER CHOONG,
Singapore Management University

DEBATE HIGHLIGHTED EVERYBODY'S CONCERNS

"The concerns of the people are clear: social problems like gambling addiction. The concern of the Government is economic. The debate managed to highlight these two concerns... Support groups and measures to curb addiction have been introduced... It was likely that, had no debate taken place, such measures might not have been implemented."

DAHLIAWATI M. AMIN,
Singapore Management University

MORALS ARE IMPORTANT, BUT SO IS OUR SURVIVAL

"Before any government can spend money for the benefit of its citizens, it has to generate the money. I don't think I can explain to my child 30 years down the road that he has to suffer increased taxation and lower subsidies because we lost the revenue the casinos could have provided. Morals are important, but our survival is equally important."

AARON NG,
National University of Singapore