

Interdean backs Singapore plan to revolutionise public services

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Leading overseas relocation specialist, Interdean, has welcomed Singapore's plans to transform the way they provide public services through better use of technology.

Technological innovation has been identified as being a key component in addressing problems associated with rapid urbanisation, such as environmental degradation.

Singapore has pledged to utilise technology so that quality of life for its inhabitants is not compromised as the population increases.

The idyllic Jurong Lake District is the location for a pilot project involving 15 "smart" solutions that will be rolled out across the city-state once they are validated.

The infrastructure for these solutions consists of sensors, video cameras and above-ground boxes that contain a range of data-gathering devices.

They will capture information that will enable benefits such as real-time traffic signal phasing that responds to vehicular and pedestrian traffic volume and smart queuing that will direct taxis to stands with more people waiting.

It would also help monitor energy consumption, potentially improving the environmental friendliness of every structure.

Such ambitious plans are being made possible by advances in sensors and networks, which allow the collection of unprecedented volumes of data.

Smart analytics is able to make sense of this data in the form of actionable information in real time, which makes services such as those being tested in Jurong realistic.

Under its Open Data Initiative, the Singapore government has released more than 8,000 datasets and since 2011, companies have used them to create over 130 apps.

As a leading international shipping (<http://www.interdean.co.uk/moving-overseas/>) and removal services provider, Interdean has praised the ambition of Singapore and its commitment to improving the quality of life for its inhabitants.

A spokesman for the company said: "Countries like Singapore are leading the way with technological innovation. This alone will not instigate the changes being proposed but there is no doubt they also have the expertise and policy framework in place to make it happen.

"It is an incredibly modern and forward-thinking place to live, which is great news for people already residing there and for those about to relocate," he added.

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