ONE of Singapore’s leading think-tanks is poised to complete a merger with the National University of Singapore’s (NUS) public policy school.

The Institute of Policy Studies (IPS), whose members include Ambassador-at-large Tommy Koh, will begin operating from the university’s Bukit Timah campus on Monday.

The move completes a merger with the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, designed to give the think-tank access to more resources and a prime location.

It was previously located near Pasir Panjang.

IPS specialises in strategic policy research and holds roundtable discussions with some of the top minds in Singapore and around the world.

The think-tank will move into House Number Five at NUS, which was once home to the Economics Department of the University of Malaya.

It recently underwent a $3 million renovation.

IPS chairman Tommy Koh said he hopes the new location will be an “inspiring environment in which to think and work”.

Dean of the Lee Kuan Yew School Kishore Mahbubani said: “By returning to the former home of the Economics Department, IPS has symbolically and substantively increased its linkages with NUS.”