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Digital Economy Summit Asia (DESA) 2025

brings the world to Asia — a high-impact platform where global vision meets regional opportunity to define the next era of the digital economy.

Join over 250 C-Level Executives, Directors, and Heads of Technology to explore the transformative power of digital transformation, Agentic AI, and sustainable innovation—uncovering the critical insights needed to drive meaningful, immediate change.



Connecting Visionaries, Sparking Ideas, Driving Digital Growth

Now in its fourth year in Asia, Digital Economy Summit Asia 2025 will foster the sharing and discussion of best practices, successful project implementations, emerging business trends, and regional start-up insights.



Who Should Attend?

- Corporate Leaders & CXOs seeking scalable, adaptive coaching solutions for diverse teams.
- Business Executives & Strategists looking to integrate AI-driven decision-making into operations and governance.
- Innovation & Digital Transformation Leads driving adoption of next-generation technologies across sectors.
- Sustainability & ESG Professionals aiming to combine AI innovation with climate-conscious investment strategies.
- Educators & Training Providers wanting to personalise learning experiences through voice-enabled, autonomous AI.

Guest of Honour: Mr Lee Hong Chuang



Lee Hong Chuang

BBM Member of Parliament
Chairperson Jurong East
– Bukit Batok GRC
(Hong Kah North)

Lee Hong Chuang is a dedicated advocate for community wellbeing, supports individuals of all ages, and believes in strengthening family bonds and assisting the vulnerable. With over 30 years of volunteering experience and being a community leader, he sees the vital role of robust community support to help residents navigate challenges while ensuring collective wellbeing.

Having worked in several MNCs in professional and corporate social responsibility leadership roles, he has initiated volunteerism among colleagues and mobilised resources to support the social sector. In his grassroots capacity, he is a resourceful problem-solver who is proactive in tackling challenges faced by the community and improving the lives of his residents.

Hong Chuang obtained his Bachelor in Computer Science from NUS and is currently working in an IT MNC.

Special Guest: H.E. Dr Shilpak Ambule



H.E. Dr Shilpak Ambule

High Commissioner of
India to Singapore



High Commission of India
Singapore

Dr. Shilpak Ambule joined the Indian Foreign Service in 2002 and specialised in the Chinese language, spending eight years at the Indian Embassy in Beijing. During this time, he held various diplomatic roles, including Third Secretary, Second Secretary, First Secretary (Political Wing), and Chief of Staff to the Ambassador.

He later served at the Ministry of External Affairs Headquarters as Deputy Head of the East Asia Division and, from January 2015 to August 2018, as Chief of Staff to the Indian Foreign Secretary. His subsequent assignments included Deputy High Commissioner of India in Colombo (2018–2019), Joint Secretary in the External Affairs Minister's Office (2019–2022), and Joint Secretary (East Asia) from June 2022 to July 2023, where he held dual charge until July 2023.

On 23 July 2023, Dr. Ambule assumed his current role as High Commissioner of India to Singapore. Dr Ambule is married to Mayuri, and they have two daughters.

Summit Themes

This year's summit spotlights three pivotal themes

1

Innovation at the Edge: Shaping the Next Era of Knowledge Economy

Step into the future of value creation with a dynamic panel featuring pioneering thinkers and industry leaders as they reimagine the frontiers of innovation. actionable insights on how organisations can unlock new growth opportunities through continuous upskilling and professional development –positioning themselves to thrive in a world where ideas, networks, and creativity are the ultimate drivers of success.

2

Green is the New Gold: Investing in a New Regenerative Future

The future of growth is green—and digital. This session explores the powerful convergence of sustainability and technology, revealing how their integration is fueling innovation, accelerating decarbonisation, and unlocking new opportunities. Discover how forward-thinking businesses are shaping a regenerative and resilient future where doing good and doing well go hand in hand.

3

From Assistive, Agentic to Autonomous: The Strategic Leap in AI Technologies

As AI evolves from assistive tools to fully autonomous systems, organisations face a profound strategic shift. This session explores the transformative potential of agentic AI, examining its implications for governance, ethics, and decision-making. Join us to understand how these technologies are reshaping operations, competitiveness, and the very nature of human-machine collaboration.

Innovation at the Edge: Shaping the Next Era of Knowledge Economy



Professor Alex Siow

Senior Exec Ed Fellow, School of Computing
National University of Singapore



Professor Alex Siow is a distinguished leader in academia, technology, and governance, with decades of experience at the intersection of engineering, IT, and executive leadership. He has held senior roles including Managing Director of Health & Public Service at Accenture, Chief Information Officer of HDB, and Senior Vice-President of StarHub Ltd. Currently, he serves as a faculty member at the Advanced Computing for Executives Centre, where he designs and delivers executive education programmes focused on digital transformation, governance, and leadership.



Luke Tessensohn

Head of AI Project and Innovation
Aventis Graduate School



Luke is the Head of AI Projects and Funded Programmes at Aventis Graduate School, where he drives the integration of cutting-edge AI agentic technologies into WSQ and industry-funded training to future-proof workforce capabilities. Armed with an MBA from the University of Manchester and a degree in Information Systems & Management from Monash University, Luke combines business acumen with technological expertise. A passionate advocate for digital transformation, he empowers professionals to harness AI, blockchain, Web3, and cybersecurity to accelerate career growth, lead organisational change, and embrace lifelong learning.

Innovation at the Edge: Shaping the Next Era of Knowledge Economy



Dr CJ Meadows

Head of Innovation, Asia
SP Jain School of Global Management



Awarded as one of Asia's Top-10 Women in IT, Dr. Meadows leads the Innovation & Entrepreneurship Center at S P Jain School of Global Management, a Forbes Top-20 International Business School. With over 25 years of global experience across Asia, Europe, and North America, she has worked as a consultant, coach, entrepreneur, eBusiness builder, and Accenture IT & Business Strategy consultant. Her expertise spans Design Thinking, Leadership, Creativity, Entrepreneurship, Sustainability, and the Future of Work & Education. Dr. Meadows holds a Doctorate in Business Administration & IT from Harvard Business School.



Dr Victor Tay

Governing Council
China ASEAN Business Alliance



Victor is an award-winning business leader recognised by international organisations for innovation and sustainability, including being named one of the "Top 30 Most Innovative Leaders to Watch in 2024" by CEO Review and receiving accolades such as "Most Influential Sustainable Business CEO in Southeast Asia" and "Most Innovative Strategy Consulting CEO in Asia." He is Group CEO of Global Catalyst Advisory, founded on the "Triple P" philosophy of people, planet, and profit, and Regional Managing Director at Stout Investment Banking, a global leader in intellectual property advisory. Victor also chaired key sustainability and business alliances in Singapore, and is a scholarship recipient with the University of Oxford, having also studied at Harvard, MIT, and Fudan University.

Green is the New Gold: Investing in a New Regenerative Future



Raymond Cheung

Lead Faculty (ESG), Aventis Graduate School
CEO, CER Consultancy



Raymond Cheung is a Chartered Actuary and seasoned C-suite executive with over 20 years of leadership experience across healthcare, fintech, and ESG. As CEO of CER Consultancy, he spearheads ESG advisory and sustainability training initiatives across ASEAN, collaborating with TÜV SÜD, Aventis, and S P Jain. Raymond also serves as an independent director for SGX- and Nasdaq-listed companies, providing strategic guidance on governance, sustainable finance, and risk management. Previously, he was Group CEO of Basel Medical Group (Nasdaq: BMGL), where he led the company's IPO and acquisitions.



Clara Kwan

Chief Sustainability Officer
Singapore Manufacturing Federation



Clara Kwan is the Chief Sustainability Officer at the Singapore Manufacturing Federation, where she leads the development and implementation of sustainability strategies. Clara has held senior roles including COO, Head of Sustainability, and Managing Director at a regional green power producer, as well as Global Head of Sustainability and Impact Investments at an international creative change firm. She also shares her expertise as a lecturer in sustainability leadership and governance. Clara holds a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the National University of Singapore, an Executive MBA from Kellogg-HKUST, and multiple professional certifications in ESG and sustainability standards.

Green is the New Gold: Investing in a New Regenerative Future



Raghu Reddiam

Director of Operations

UN Global Compact Network Singapore



Global Compact
Network Singapore

Reddiam Raghu Ram brings over three decades of leadership and strategic transformation experience across global business and HR domains. Currently serving as Director of Operations at the UN Global Compact Network Singapore, he plays a pivotal role in advancing sustainable business practices and forging impactful partnerships within the region. Earlier in his career, Reddiam spent 14 years as Director of HR at Motorola, designing and implementing HR policies that supported global operations and talent development. This diverse background cements his reputation as a seasoned expert in HR transformation, organisational design and leadership development.



Alvin Lee

Board Advisor to the Singapore Digital
Chamber of Commerce (SGDCC)



Alvin Lee is a versatile leader with cross-sector experience across finance, tech startups, government, and nonprofits, with global exposure in Southeast Asia, Greater China, and Europe. At Temasek Trust, he supports the CEO on corporate strategy, mandates & impact, while driving enterprise development, AI innovation, strategic risk, and impact partnerships, while also serving as Board Advisor to the Singapore Digital Chamber of Commerce, guiding governance, digital transformation, and ESG for a 2,000+ member ecosystem. Notably, he orchestrated the SGD3.2 billion Singlife-Aviva merger, Asia's largest tech-powered insurer, underscoring his expertise in M&A, digital integration, and enterprise transformation.

From Assistive, Agentic to Autonomous: The Strategic Leap in AI Technologies



Carmen Yap

Head of Customized Learning
Aventis Graduate School



A nominee for the 2025 Global Women of Influence Awards, Carmen Yap is the Head of Customized Learning at Aventis Graduate School, where she leads Executive Education and tailored corporate training solutions powered by the Agentic AI platform. Holding a Business degree from Singapore Management University and a Master's in Global Human Resource Management from Roehampton University, London, Carmen is passionate about driving innovative corporate training that empowers a smarter, more agile workforce. She also spearheads initiatives in student engagement, employability, wellness, and alumni success, positively shaping the learning journeys of thousands of adult learners and professionals.



Damien Kopp

Managing Director, RebootUp
Founder, Koncentrik



Damien Kopp is a global technology advisor and innovation leader with over 20 years of experience across Europe, North America, and Asia, specialising in AI strategy, data capabilities, and emerging technologies. He is Managing Director of RebootUp, advising C-level executives and boards, and founder of Koncentrik, a thought-leadership platform on technology, geopolitics, and AI sovereignty. Previously Head of Innovation at NCS (Singtel Group), he led an AI research lab and product incubator across Singapore, China, and India, driving commercialisation of robotics, IoT, video intelligence, and generative AI. A frequent keynote speaker and media commentator, he also runs the Technopolitics Webinar Series and holds an Executive MBA from Kellogg-HKUST and a Master's in Electronics Engineering.

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Amit Gupta

**Group Chief Executive Officer & Founder
Ecosystem Group**



Amit is the founder of Ecosystem, a technology research and advisory platform, and Kampd, a social learning platform. An entrepreneur since 23, he has held senior leadership roles at IDC Asia Pacific and Global Data, and led the acquisition of CoVentured to connect Fortune 500 firms with global innovation. Actively engaged in the innovation ecosystems of Singapore, India, Indonesia, and New Zealand, he is Chairman of TiE's Global Board of Trustees, an angel investor, board member of several start-ups, and Co-Chair of the MIIM Blended Finance Fund. A former advisor to the New Zealand government and global ambassador for the Singapore FinTech Festival, he has been honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the International Startup Foundation.



Fabian Hoong

**Industry Mentor & Speaker
Asia Pacific University of Technology & Innovation**



Mr. Fabian Hoong, named the 2019 Global Most Outstanding Chinese Young Person, is a recognised leader dedicated to social causes and community development. He has served in key leadership positions, including Chairman of the Malaysian Fire Protection Committee's Training Department, Deputy Chairman of the Dongguan Foreign Investment Association, and National Vice President of JCI Malaysia. Now honoured as a JCI Senator, Mr. Hoong continues to champion community impact and youth leadership development.

Programme Schedule



9.00AM – 9.30AM	Registration cum Coffee Biz Networking
9.30AM – 9.40AM	Recognition
9.40AM – 9.50AM	Welcome Address
9.50AM – 10.20AM	Guest of Honour's Speech
10.20AM – 11.20AM	Panel 1: Innovation at the Edge: Shaping the Next Era of Knowledge Economy
11.20AM – 12.00PM	Keynote address by India High Commissioner to Singapore
12.00PM – 1.00PM	Lunch Break
1.00PM – 2.15PM	Panel 2: Green is the New Gold: Investing in a New Regenerative Future
2.15PM – 2.40PM	Memorandum of Understanding Ceremony
2.40PM – 3.00PM	Launch of SGDCC Foundation
3.00PM – 4.30PM	Panel 3: From Assistive, Agentic to Autonomous: The Strategic Leap in AI Technologies
4.30PM – 4.45PM	Launch of Digital for Good Awards
4.45PM – 5.00PM	Closing Remarks

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