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### **DIGITAL ECONOMY SUMMIT ASIA 2025**

11th Sept | 9.30am to 5.00pm | Marina Bay Sands



### **CHAMPIONING SUSTAINABLE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION**



**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 Al, 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 Aldriven decision-making into operations and governance.
- Innovation & Digital Transformation Leads driving adoption of next-generation technologies across sectors.
- Sustainability & ESG Professionals aiming to combine Al 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 BBM**



# Lee Hong Chuang

**Member of Parliament** 

Chairperson
Hong Kah North
(Jurong East-Bukit Batok GRC)

Lee Hong Chuang BBM 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



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

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.

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.

From Assistive, Agentic to Autonomous: The Strategic Leap in Al 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 technologies are reshaping operations and 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.



### **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.

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



Luke Tessensohn
Head of Al Project and Innovation



**Aventis Graduate School** 

Luke is the Head of Al Projects and Funded Programmes at Aventis Graduate School, where he drives the integration of cutting-edge Al 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 Al, blockchain, Web3, and cybersecurity to accelerate career growth, lead organisational change, and embrace lifelong learning.



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.

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



Michael Ho Quang Minh

Chairman for HOF Venture National Director, BNI



As an entrepreneur who started at the age of 14, Michael has experienced numerous ups and downs in the business world, accumulating valuable insights along the way. From practical experience in learning, researching, and successfully operating franchise models in the U.S., to building high-quality global connections through BNI, managing business growth to meet global standards under ActionCOACH, and facilitating the expansion of international projects and trade for medium and large enterprises through CorporateConnections, he has been honored with a global CFE certification and is a member of the International Franchise Association (IFA).



**Moderator: Goh Jon Keat** 

Academic Director Aventis Graduate Scool



Jon Keat is the Academic Director at Aventis Graduate School, with over two decades of experience in Finance, Investments, and Economics. He began his career in the Treasury Department of a foreign bank, before moving into stockbroking as an investment analyst with Ong & Co, UOB Securities, and OUB Securities, and later in institutional sales with Cazenove & Co. Since 1998, he has been dedicated to academia, shaping future professionals through his expertise and industry insights.

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# 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



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, Al 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.



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



Andrew Cameron
Founder & CEO of Enzyme Consulting



Andrew Cameron is the Founder & CEO of Enzyme Consulting, Asia Pacific's only consultancy for hospitality systems innovation and winner of AustCham Singapore's Start-up of the Year. With a hospitality background, global procurement at Accor, and applied research with institutions like the Smithsonian, he works at the intersection of technology, procurement, and tourism to drive regenerative innovation. His work-from eliminating single-use plastics across 5,500 hotels to advising resorts and communities risk-emphasises climate exposed data-driven most to transparency and guest experience in building a regenerative digital economy.



# Moderator: Chris Daniel Wong Malaysia Digital Chamber of Commerce (MDCC)

MDCC

Malaysia Digital Chamber of Commerce

Chris Daniel Wong is a seasoned entrepreneur and corporate restructuring strategist with expertise in capital markets, private equity, and capital raising. He is Founder & CEO/General Partner of MCM CoMetro 5 Pillars Venture LLP and Partner at Max Capital Holdings Ltd, where he co-founded the Global Investment Community (GIC). Licensed by the Labuan Financial Services Authority, he advises on IPOs in Bursa Malaysia and the Singapore Exchange and serves on boards of listed companies in Singapore and Australia. Chris has founded 12 companies across sectors including medical wellness, ICT, e-commerce, and manufacturing. He has driven initiatives such as ATA Plus and Singapore Digital Exchange (SDAX).

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



Carmen Yap

Head of Customised Learning

Aventis Graduate School



A nominee for the 2025 Global Women of Influence Awards, Carmen Yap is the Head of Customised 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
Ecosystm Group



Amit is the founder of Ecosystm, 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.

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



### **Moderator: Tushar P. Doshi**

Co-Founder and CEO iTechGenic Global Pte Limited



Tushar P. Doshi is the Co-Founder & CEO of iTechGenic Global Pte Limited (ITG), where he leads the vision, strategy, and execution of DevBoost, an Al-powered Engineering Intelligence platform designed to provide real-time, actionable insights that empower DevOps and IT teams to deliver projects on time and within budget. Under his leadership, ITG has positioned itself at the forefront of leveraging artificial intelligence, machine learning, and generative Al to transform how engineering leaders make critical decisions, optimise resources, and drive operational excellence.

With more than 25 years of experience spanning business development, marketing, and strategy, Tushar has consistently bridged the gap between technology and business outcomes. His career reflects a strong track record of building partnerships, scaling businesses, and steering organisations through digital transformation. Beyond ITG, he is actively engaged as a Director at SGDCC and a Charter Member of TiE Singapore, where he contributes to nurturing the start-up and innovation ecosystem. He also serves as an advisor and board member to various organisations in travel technology and emerging industries, reflecting his passion for fostering collaboration and growth across sectors.



# 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 – 11.25AM Learning Journey from Aventis

11.25AM – 12.00PM Keynote address by India High Commissioner

to Singapore

12.00PM - 12.15PM Launch of SGDCC Foundation

12.15PM - 1.15PM Lunch Break
1.15PM - 1.25PM Lucky Draw 1

1.25PM - 2.40PM Panel 2: Green is the New Gold: Investing in a New

**Regenerative Future** 

2.40PM - 3.00PM Memorandum of Understanding Ceremony

3.00PM – 4.30PM Panel 3: From Assistive, Agentic to Autonomous:

The Strategic Leap in Al Technologies

4.30PM – 4.45PM Launch of Digital for Good Awards

4.45PM – 4.55PM Appreciation to Sponsors & Speakers

4.55PM - 5.05PM Lucky Draw 2

5.05PM – 5.15PM Closing Remarks







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