

## Taking the lead for inclusion: Accelerating through diversity

Raffles City Convention Center, Singapore, 18-20 September 2019

Asia's young, increasingly educated workforce and its growing middle class are a wellspring of dynamism. Millennials and women in Asia are poised to comprise a new generation of leaders, and engage in [entrepreneurship](#) at exponential rate. Nineteen of twenty of the world's most [dynamic cities](#) are in Asia, making the region attractive to investment, capital, and talent.

Yet across Asia, [gaps remain](#) in women's political empowerment, educational attainment and other measures of gender parity. At current rates of change, the gender gap in East Asia and the Pacific will take 171 years to be closed. Women's full participation and leadership in its economies and societies is needed to sustain Asia's attractiveness, grow its influence globally, and build a brighter future for its people from the ground up. Global challenges like climate change, technological disruption and political upheaval will not be fully addressed without diverse ideas, vision and commitments, including those of women.

Women's leadership is critical to unlock the power of Asia's rich diversity - of culture, age, gender, class, and religion, among others - to ensure that solutions to those challenges are inclusive and lasting. Diverse viewpoints and experiences must be included and put towards a common good, whether the creation of inclusive communities, built environments and public spaces; making organisations future-ready; or fairly sharing the rewards of trade, growth and technological change.

Drawing from insights and conclusions of Women's Forum Meetings across the year, as well as the G7 summit in August and other global conversations, the very first Women's Forum Asia meeting will take place from 18-20 September 2019 in Singapore. Under the theme *Taking the lead for inclusion: Accelerating through diversity*, it will gather 1,500 leaders from across the region and the world to connect on how women's leadership can accelerate revolutionary and inclusive changes in our communities, organisations and economies for better future for all.

Women's Forum Asia 2019 will take you on the journey to accelerate positive changes through diversity. On the first day, we focus on *Breaking barriers to inclusion*. This pathway focuses on ways and means to drive inclusion and women's empowerment, such as education and culture, and create lasting change both within organisations and across wider society.

The second day's focus *Embracing inclusive growth* examines ways to accelerate growth that is sustainable by making inclusion a core guiding principle of cities, systems and communities - for example, by tapping women's leadership to help address climate change, and designing cities and public spaces that harness new technology but are also safe for all. Such inclusive growth helps sustain the region's attractiveness in the long run.

## PROGRAMME

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### Tuesday 17 September

8:30-13:30

**ACCELERATE HER: Training for startups** [INSEAD] [By invitation only]

*In partnership with Facebook, La French Tech and INSEAD Centre for Entrepreneurship and INSEAD Executive Education*

### YOUTH & LEADERS FORUM

**Taking the lead: Our Future belongs to All of Us**

Singapore, 17 September 2019

[By invitation only]

Master of Ceremony: **Janet Neo, Board Director, Temasek Foundation Ecosperity & Women's Forum Rising Talent 2015**

13:00-13:30 **Welcome & Registration**

13:30-13:35

Welcome remarks by **Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Women's Forum for the Economy & Society**

13:35-14:00

A talk by **Sim Ann, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth & Ministry of Communications and Information, Republic of Singapore**

Interactive Q&A with the youth

14:00-14:40

**A generation disrupted: Our call, Our planet, Our future**

Young people are taking charge of climate change by putting themselves at the center of the present and the future of the climate change conundrum. They not only demand top government and business leaders to take serious action to address climate change, but also themselves jump into the solution space, actively work on potential game-changing innovations and engage in advocacy and awareness-raising. A closer look on their vision and ambition for the future and their actions to change the status-quo.

Moderator: **Janet Neo, Board Director, Temasek Foundation Ecosperity & Women's Forum Rising Talent 2015**

Speakers:

- **Chanamrithvatey Kim, Co-Founder and CEO, SmartBin Cambodia**
- **Venezia Wee, Founder, Global Water-crisis Awareness (GWA) International Movement**
- **Jay Wong, Head, Fossil Free Yale-NUS**

14:40-15:30

**Evolving Knowledge: Future of skills and education**

In the Fourth Industrial Revolution, knowledge evolves at an accelerated rate, and countless business sectors improve everyday by reinventing their approaches, bringing the need for individuals to keep up with the rapid innovation in their sectors. And with rapid advances in automation and artificial intelligence, humans' unique contribution to the economy and society will center on soft skills. What values, behaviours and skills must be taught to the new generation so they become responsible citizens in life and work? How can we foster lifelong learning as it is no longer optional? What are the new challenges of education in this context of fast evolution?

Moderator: **Elizabeth Faber, Chief Talent Officer, Deloitte Asia Pacific**

Speakers:

- **Ming Chen, Chief Culture Officer, EF Education First**
- **Lily Kong, President and Lee Kong Chian Chair Professor of Social Sciences, Singapore Management University**
- **Aarti Ramaswami, Deputy Dean of ESSEC Asia-Pacific & Academic Director of the ESSEC Global MBA Program in France and Singapore**

Front-row commentators & interactive Q&A

- **Li Peng Cheok, MBA Candidate, INSEAD & Co-President, INSEAD Women in Business Club**
- **Sylvia Grangier, MiM Student, HEC**
- **Chelsea Ong, Research Associate, Shirin Fozdar Programme**

15:30-16:10

**Youth pioneering inclusive and sustainable development**

Young pioneers and leaders will talk about their projects and how they contribute to a better world. The interactive session will allow the inclusive and sustainable future to come to life through concrete examples of what can be done so as to inspire other youth.

Moderator: **Sharon Tan, Senior Vice President, Digital Consumer Finance & Card Payments, DBS Bank**

Speakers:

- **Vanessa Paranjothy, Co-founder, Freedom Cups**
- **Supriya Paul, Co-Founder & Director, Josh Talks**
- **Chuu Wai Nyein, Artist**

16:10-16:25 **Coffee Break**

16:25-17:10

**Talent on the move: Future of the global workforce**

Demographic changes and economic forces have transformed business landscape and international mobility. The global mobile workforce is set to increase to 1.88 billion in 2023, accounting for 43.3% of the global workforce. So how do organisations meet the needs of a diverse and increasingly varied employee base? What are strategies to attract, retain, develop and engage talent? What role does local talent development play in the fast changing context of global mobility?

Moderator: **Margie Warrell, Founder, Global Courage**

Speakers:

- **Sara Cheng, CEO, Fuji Xerox Singapore**
- **Shweta Sharma, General Manager Global Travel Retail, Procter & Gamble & Women's Forum Rising Talent 2018**
- **Andrew Vo, Managing Director and Head of HR Asia Pacific, Africa, and Middle East (AAPAC), Accenture**
- **Simon Woollard, Regional Vice-President Human Resources, Nissan Asia & Oceania**

17:10 -17:55

**Diversity in tech: Shaping the gender balance of tomorrow**

STEM and ICT are at the heart of today's innovation but they also are traditionally male-dominated areas of business. Over 900 million jobs are expected to be automated and this shift will disproportionately impact women as well as create new opportunities for them. Still only 28.8% of all of the world's researchers are women. Listen to leaders in STEM with their best advice on unlocking opportunities for the next generation of women in STEM.

Moderator: **Su Shyan Lee**, Head Planning & Control & Investor Relations, Singapore Press Holdings

Speakers:

- **Gabriele Fioni**, Director for International Cooperations, Alternative Energies & Atomic Energy Commission & Chairman of the Global Science Forum, OECD
- **Omuoy Heang**, Regional Ambassador of Technovation of Cambodia, Founder of Camsolution Technology
- **Nurul Jihadah Hussain**, Founder, The Codette Project

17:55-18:25

**The Secret Ingredient: What does it take to be a great leader?**

Leadership doesn't have a users' manual, but in this candid talk, a senior leader shares "The Secret Ingredient" - her simple but crucial advices for youth to thrive and lead in this ever-changing world.

Keynote speakers:

- **Margarita Prieto**, Chief Financial Officer, Nissan Thailand

**Youth engagement**

Discussion on different leadership styles.

18:30 **Dinner at South Beach Café (Level 33)**

## Wednesday 18 September

### In focus: Breaking barriers to inclusion

12:00 Registration  
12:30 Networking coffee

13:30-13:40 [Padang Room]

Opening keynote speech by Mdm Halimah Yacob, President of the Republic of Singapore

13:40-13:45 [Padang Room]

Highlights from the G7 Summit 2019 by Agnès Pannier-Runacher, Minister of State Reporting to the Minister for the Economy and Finances, Government of France

13:45 – 14:40

[Opening plenary] [Padang Room]

Leading Asia's future: Attract and retain capital, talent & investors

Developing Asia is facing a serious infrastructure shortfall, [requiring \\$1.7 trillion per year](#). Also more than [60% of employers are experiencing difficulty attracting critical-skill employees and retaining high-potential employees](#). How can gender inclusion and women's leadership help Asia address the challenges of attracting and retaining talent as well as drawing private capital for infrastructure investment? In addition, how can these challenges be resolved to further promote diversity and inclusion? In what ways can governments and companies collaborate to turn the promise of Asia into reality, while ensuring fairer and more inclusive opportunities for all?

Firestarter: Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Women's Forum for the Economy & Society & Jean-Pascal Tricoire, Chairman & CEO, Schneider Electric

Moderator: Smita Pillai, Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer, Dow Jones

Speakers:

- Datuk Shireen Muhiudeen, Chairwoman, Bursa Malaysia
- Chih Ching Ong, Executive Chairwoman and Executive Director, KOP Limited
- Yenny Wahid, Director, Wahid Foundation

14:40 – 15:05 [Padang Room]

**All in the family: Nurturing creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship for good**

Family businesses are a critical pillar of many Asian economies, and have [different needs](#) at different stages of growth: some are seeking non-family professionals to lead their businesses, while others are tapping their next generation to form new ventures and harness technology to scale. How can Asia's family firms nurture the entrepreneurship of their millennial generations a- [particularly women](#) - for longevity? In a world with increasing connectivity between businesses; and greater mobility and collaboration, how does entrepreneurship help firms adapt to change, compete, and survive? How can government help to support entrepreneurs, and in turn how can entrepreneurship foster inclusion and women's leadership?

Moderator: [Margie Warrell, Founder, Global Courage](#)

Speakers:

- [Ren Yung Ho, Vice President Brand HQ, Banyan Tree Holdings Limited](#)
- [Annie Koh, Vice President Business Development & Academic Director of Business Families Institute and International Trading Institute, Singapore Management University](#)

15:05 – 15:25 [Padang Room]

**A conversation with Violet Oon, Culinary Curator & Chef & Su-Lyn Tay, Director, Violet Oon Inc**

Moderator: [Wy-Lene Yap, Founder & Managing Editor, High Net Worth](#)

15:15-16:25 [Blundell Room]

**Dialogue in the Dark Workshop: Leading for An Inclusive Community** (pre-registration & limited capacity)

15:25-15:35 **Networking break**



15:35-16:15 [Padang Room]

**Up with inclusion: How businesses can take a stand for inclusive growth**

*Women & supply chain DC session*

By examining markets through a lens of inclusion, businesses can uncover new opportunities:

for instance, the base-of-pyramid market worldwide comprises 4 billion people and is worth an estimated \$5 trillion. Throughout Asia, what supply chain investments and business models are helping to create income opportunities and deliver affordable, relevant products and services to low-income and marginalized communities? How might businesses take a stand for inclusive growth beyond their own organisational practices in ways that also benefit their bottom line? What kinds of perspectives and leadership do they need to do so?

Moderator: **Georgette Tan, President, UN Women Singapore**

Speakers:

- **Rahimah Abdulrahim, Director of Public Policy for Southeast Asia, Facebook**
- **Chetna Sinha, Founder, Mann Deshi Bank**
- **Wendy Teleki, Head, Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative (We-Fi) Secretariat, World Bank Group**
- **Regine Wassmuth, APAC Sourcing Center Director, L'Oréal**

16:15-17:00 [Padang Room]

**Rebooting finance: how can fintech shape a more inclusive financial system?**

Banking development in Asia, with a more focus on corporate lending, is leaving 800 million Asians [without access to traditional banking](#). Meanwhile, innovations like mobile banking, crowdfunding and blockchain have radically transformed the way we shop, pay, even purchase insurance, making financial services more inclusive and purposeful. What is the future of traditional banks? How should governments and regulators facilitate digital finance and at the same time manage cybersecurity and other risks? And how can women's perspectives enable financial products and the regulations that govern them to reflect users' and clients' needs?

Moderator: **Natalia Blokhina, Co-founder, Brighter Ventures**

Speakers:

- **Sarah Chen, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, The Billion Dollar Fund for Women**
- **Agnes Hugot, CEO & Co-founder, Fast Track Trade**
- **Rashmi Kwatra, Founder & Chief Investment Officer, Sixteenth Street Capital**
- **Kalle Siebring, Head of Communications, Nissan Indonesia & Head of communications strategy and planning, Nissan Asia & Oceania**



17:00-17:45 [Padang Room]

**The talent puzzle: Filling the gaps through inclusion**

One variable that's rarely discussed about the future of work is [labour mobility](#): how and where people move for work. Demographic changes such as falling birth rates, combined with technology and other disruptions, mean gaps in talent need to be filled. [Asian women](#), in particular, are one of the fastest-growing mobile worker groups, and their contribution is critical to economies. What are the risks of business-as-usual mobility, recruitment and retention policies? What policies help develop homegrown but globally-minded talent and inclusive organisations for the future of work in Asia?

Moderator: [Star Jones](#), President, Professional Diversity Network, NASDAQ

Speakers:

- [Feon Ang](#), Vice President APAC Talent and Learning Solutions, LinkedIn
- [Emmanuel Jacomy](#), Partner, Shearman & Sterling
- [Datuk Shireen Muhiudeen](#), Chairwoman, Bursa Malaysia
- [Alicia Yi](#), Vice Chairman, Board & CEO Services, Korn Ferry

17:00-18:10 [Blundell Room]

**Dialogue in the Dark Workshop: Leading for An Inclusive Community** (pre-registration & limited capacity)

17:45-18:30 [Padang Room]

**Reinventing cities for life through urban innovation and design**

Advancements in big data analytics and other technologies offer governments, planners and the private sector new opportunities to make urban life more sustainable, inclusive and efficient, from platforms involved in [shared mobility](#), to giving people more control over their data. How can cities reduce the negative impacts of car traffic without reducing the mobility of their citizens? Can air pollution, congestion, CO2 emissions or the use of public space be limited while enhancing people's access to jobs, shops, health services or educational institutions? How open data and urban innovations, viewed through a lens of inclusion, can help to build human-centered cities? In what ways they create value for the people and support the sustainable development of the city?

Moderator: [Irene Tham](#), Tech Editor, The Straits Times

Speakers:

- [Borina Andrieu](#), Managing Director, Wilmotte & Associates
- [Young Tae Kim](#), Secretary-General, International Transport Forum at OECD

19:00-21:30 [Canning Room]

**Cocktail Reception, Raffles City Convention Center**

## Thursday 19 September

### In focus: Embracing inclusive growth

8:00-8:30     **Networking coffee**

8:30-9:15     [Padang Room]

#### **Connecting Asia: infrastructure and mobility for tomorrow**

Asia is undergoing a much-needed infrastructure boom, building transport and communication links that facilitate [integration and trade](#), and urbanising developing regions. As smart cities use digital technology to connect, protect, and enhance the lives of citizens, empowering cities and people will become essential. Meanwhile, the need to build access to unserved and underserved communities cannot be ignored. How can we build infrastructure while enhancing access, convenience and efficiency for all users? How to ensure that mobility technology also used to address environmental issues? What roles do industry and government play in ensuring the right enabling environment to deliver sustainable and inclusive solutions?

Moderator: **Jennifer Tay, Partner, PwC Singapore**

Speakers:

- **Julien Esch, Managing Director, Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd**
- **H.E Aishath Nahula, Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, Government of Maldives**
- **Miyuki Suzuki, President Asia Pacific, Japan, and Greater China, Cisco**
- **Vincent Wijnen, Senior Vice President, Nissan Asia & Oceania**

9:30-11:00    [Canning Room]

**Unconscious Bias Workshop** (pre-registration & limited capacity)

9:15-9:25     [Padang Room]

**A conversation with Jeanne Lim, CEO, Hanson Robotics & Sophia, The Human-Like Robot**

9:25-10:15 [Padang Room]

**Embracing humility: When AI meets with Emotional Intelligence**

*Women & AI DC session*

The adoption of machines and algorithms in the workplace will [create 133 million new jobs, compared to 75 million lost by 2022](#). As artificial intelligence is applied more and more widely throughout business, healthcare, cybersecurity and other domains, these applications will also need to be paired with high emotional intelligence (EQ) and empathy. What skills will we need to imbue AI with EQ? What are the implications for women who are shown to have a distinct EI advantage? What is the role of business, government and civic organisations in rebuilding citizens' trust in AI?

Moderator: [Linda Lee, Head of Communications Southeast & North Asia, LinkedIn](#)

Speakers:

- [Amar Babu, Vice President, Intelligent Devices Group Rest of World Services, Lenovo](#)
- [Sara Cheng, CEO, Fuji Xerox Singapore](#)
- [Ayesha Khanna, Co-Founder and CEO, ADDO AI](#)
- [Sonal Saxena, Program Manager, Microsoft Business Operations](#)
- [Kevyn Yong, Chief Learning Officer, Singapore Institute of Management](#)

10:15-11:00 [Padang Room]

**Beyond the tipping point: Gender balance cannot wait!**

*In collaboration with INSEAD*

Gender diversity is not only the right thing to do but it also makes smart business sense, from improving organisational performance, boosting employee retention, driving transparency, fairness to encouraging innovation and more. Yet, why is it still difficult? How does gender bias manifest within an organization? And how can individuals and organizations be effective in tipping the scales?

Moderator: [Neha Thakkar, Associate Director Gender Initiative and Social Impact Initiative, INSEAD Hoffmann Global Institute for Business and Society](#)

Speakers:

- [Helen Duce, Leader, Lean In Singapore](#)
- [Sarah McKensy, Head of Diversity & Inclusion, Asia Pacific, Johnson & Johnson](#)
- [Balaka Niyazee, CEO, P&G Korea and Executive Sponsor for Gender Equality, Asia Pacific, Middle East & Africa](#)
- [Vikram Subrahmanyam, Managing Director, Asia Pacific Chief Information Officer & Head of Operations and Technology, Citibank N.A](#)

11:00-11:50 [Canning Room]

**Speed Mentoring: Ask me anything** (onsite registration & limited capacity)

11:00-11:10 [Padang Room]

Call for commitment: Charter on women leading climate action

A conversation with Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Women's Forum for the Economy & Society & Antoine Sire, Director of the Company Engagement Department, BNP Paribas

11:10-11:55 [Padang Room]

Climate consciousness: Make climate action count

*Women & climate DC session*

[Humanity has only 18 months left to save our planet.](#) The environmental impact will directly affect business, society, and ecosystems; and governments are seeking to mitigate its effects with far-reaching regulations. Meanwhile, the private sector, accounting for 60% of global GDP, are taking the lead in dealing with climate change. Yet, to be effective in this leadership role, businesses need a radical shift in their consciousness. So how do companies shift from treating climate change solely as a corporate social responsibility issue to an important business problem? What are the opportunities for consumers and governments to demand more sustainable environmental, labor and other practices from the private sector? And what can be done to catalyze such action?

Moderator: Jessica Cheam, Founder and Managing Editor, Eco Business

Speakers:

- Cherine Fok, Director, Sustainability Services, KPMG Singapore
- Sasha Kalb, Vice President Risk & Compliance, APAC and Global Alliances, American Express Global Business Travel
- Pamela Lee, Director Policy and Planning, Strategy Group National Climate Change Secretariat
- Craig Leeson, Filmmaker, "A Plastic Ocean" and "The Last Glaciers"

11:15-12:25 [Blundell Room]

Dialogue in the Dark Workshop: Leading for An Inclusive Community (pre-registration & limited capacity)

11:55-12:40 [Padang Room]

**What if the future of work is the key?**

Technological advances, demographic shifts, and consumer pulls are fundamentally changing the way we work and the way companies design jobs and environments. What are implications for policy makers, for companies and for individuals? How will businesses operate under the new realities of work? What are the impacts of the future of work? How can we take this opportunity to reimagine talent models, organizational practices, and business models for a more inclusive organizations and better future for both women and men?

Moderator: **Lihui Zhang, Executive President, Caixin Media**

Speakers:

- **Connie Heng, Partner, Head of Capital Markets Asia Pacific, Clifford Chance**
- **Aruna Jayanthi, Managing Director APAC and LatAm & Member of the Groupe Executive Committee, Capgemini**
- **Chris Kimmell, Executive Vice President & Head of EdTech, Asia, EF Education First**
- **Lay Lim Teo, Senior Managing Director, Accenture ASEAN & Member of the Global Leadership Council Accenture**

12:40-13:40 [Canning Room] **Networking lunch**

13:40-14:30 [Padang Room]

**Step in, step up: Closing the leadership gap in the boardroom**

In Asia Pacific, women account for just [12.4% of board seats](#). The lack of women in leadership positions remains significant, even though compelling research shows that women enhance the top decision-making process dramatically. What is contributing to this gap, and how can executives remedy it?

Moderator: **Karen Gilchrist, Make It reporter, CNBC**

Speakers:

- **Sarah Cottle, Global Head of Market Insight, S&P Global Platts**
- **Louise Harvey, Non Executive Chair, FTI Strategic Communications, Brussels**
- **Anne-Gabrielle Heilbronner, Member of the Directoire and Secretary General, Publicis Groupe**
- **Helena Ma, Managing Director, IDEA Communications**
- **Kaori Sasaki, Founder and CEO, ewoman**

14:15-15:25 [Blundell Room]

**Dialogue in the Dark Workshop: Leading for An Inclusive Community** (pre-registration & limited capacity)

14:30-15:20 [Padang Room]

**Underhyped, overstretched: Health Innovation in Asia**

*Women & Access to Health DC session*

With an ageing population and a rising incidence of chronic and non-communicable diseases such as cancer, cardiovascular disease and mental health conditions, Asia needs new health technology, products and services, as well as innovative solutions and strategies. What are the opportunities and challenges for healthcare in Asia's markets? How can governments, businesses and tech companies collectively build an enabling environment for support citizens' access to health tech solutions and better healthcare, especially for women who often have unique health challenges?

Moderator: **Leesa Soulodre, General Partner, r3i Ventures**

Speakers:

- **Aleli Arcilla, President and General Manager, Reckitt Benckiser Health Philippines**
- **Rosaline Chow Koo, Founder & CEO, CXA**
- **Harjit Gill, CEO, Asia Pacific Medical Technology Association**
- **James Miles Lambert, CEO, Hello Health Group**
- **H.E. Daw Mya Lay Sein, Vice Minister of Health and Sport, Government of Myanmar**

15:20-15:30 **Networking break**

15:30-16:05 [Padang Room]

**Moving the needle: A conversation with inclusive leaders**

Today, effective leadership is inclusive leadership. It is vital for leaders to know how to leverage diversity of thought in order to drive business growth, performance and innovation. Listen to our amazing leaders who lead by example on what are the keys to achieving true diversity and inclusion!

Moderator: **Sandhya Devanathan, Managing Director, Facebook Singapore**

Speakers:

- **Indra Nooyi, Former Chairwoman & CEO, PepsiCo**
- **Gordon Watson, CEO Asia, AXA**

15:30-16:20 [Canning Room]

**Speed Mentoring: Ask me anything** (onsite registration & limited capacity)

16:05-16:50 [Padang Room]

[Building an inclusive future: Be the change-makers](#)

*Women & STEM DC Session*

Globally, women are underrepresented in STEM at all levels. According to the OECD, only 29 percent of those in science research and development are women, with a low of 19 percent in South and West Asia and a high of 48.8 percent in some countries like Malaysia. This disparity of inclusion will further perpetuate gender-biased technology in different parts of the world. How can we create a new narrative on the crucial participation of women in STEM, which can address gaps in technology design and usability? How should different stakeholders work together to encourage women and girls pursue careers in STEM?

Moderator: [Cheryl Liew-Chng, CEO, The 24 Hour Woman](#)

Speakers:

- [Natalia Cano, Head of Brand & Reputation APAC, Google](#)
- [Maria Faury, Director of International & Big Infrastructures of Research, Alternative Energies & Atomic Energy Commission \(CEA\)](#)
- [Thu Huong Nguyen, President, Women Leaders International Network & Director, Nam Huong Corp](#)
- [Vaishali Rastogi, Senior Partner, Head of BCG SE Asia, The Boston Consulting Group](#)

16:30-18:00 [Canning Room]

[Human-centered Leadership Workshop](#) (pre-registration & limited capacity)

16:50-17:35 [Padang Room]

[Ask us the moon: Extraordinary women in space](#)

Fifty years on from the first moon landing, we have not yet gotten further. NASA and SpaceX are planning missions to Mars, and these endeavors to make humans a space-faring civilization requires diverse perspectives and equal representation to drive innovation as we venture out into the solar system. Yet much more work to be done to diversify the scientific community and STEM occupations. Let's listen to the extraordinary stories and reflections of women who are rewriting the history of astronomy and space.

Moderator: [Rachel Rosenthal, Opinion Editor, Bloomberg](#)

Speakers:

- [Bidushi Bhattacharya, Former NASA Scientist and CEO & Founder of Astropreneurs HUB Pte Ltd](#)
- [Simonetta Di Pippo, Director, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs](#)
- [Lynette Tan, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Singapore Space and Technology Association](#)
- [Ersilia Vaudo, Chief Diversity Officer, European Space Agency](#)



17:35-18:30 [Padang Room]

[Closing Plenary]

**HIStory & HERstory: Inclusion for sustainable governance and attractiveness**

Women represent 50% of the world's working age population but generate only [37% of GDP](#). What are the implications for Asia if this gap is not closed? How can governments and companies lead the way to enhance women's leadership? How do we shift the culture and narrative of business, science, government and other institutions to value better the qualities of feminine leadership, both in the professional realm and in other domains?

Moderator: [Pamela Qiu, Director, Economist Corporate Network, South-East Asia, The Economist](#)

Speakers:

- [Jérôme Chartier, First Vice President, Conseil Régional Ile-de-France & Founder, Les Entretiens de Royaumont](#)
- [Helen Clark, Former Prime Minister of New Zealand & Former Executive Director, United Development Programme](#)
- [Anne-Gabrielle Heilbronner, Member of the Directoire and Secretary General, Publicis Groupe](#)
- [Kwon Ping Ho, Conference Chairman, Singapore Summit & Executive Chairman, Banyan Tree Holdings Limited](#)

19:30-21:30

**Cocktail Reception at The Clifford Pier, The Fullerton Bay Hotel**

Welcome remarks by Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Women's Forum for the Economy & Society

*Dress code: Long dress / Black tie or Traditional costume*

## Friday 20 September

8:00-10:00

**ACCELERATE HER: Startup Pitch Contest** [By invitation only]

*In partnership with Facebook, INSEAD Centre for Entrepreneurship, INSEAD Executive Education and La French Tech*

12:00-14:30

**CEO Champions Initiative** [By invitation only]

*Co-organized with Singapore Summit and McKinsey*

A special conversation with Peter Grauer, Chairman, Bloomberg & Kevin Sneader, Global Managing Partner, McKinsey & Company

## SELECTED CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

Opening Speaker: Mdm Halimah Yacob, President of the Republic of Singapore

Rahimah	Abdulrahim	Director of Public Policy for Southeast Asia	Facebook
Borina	Andrieu	Managing Director	Wilmotte & Associates
Feon	Ang	Vice President APAC Talent and Learning Solutions	LinkedIn
Sim	Ann	Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth & Ministry of Communications and Information	Government of Singapore
Aleli	Arcilla	President and General Manager	Reckitt Benckiser Health Philippines
Amar	Babu	Vice President, Intelligent Devices Group Rest of World Services	Lenovo
Bidushi	Bhattacharya	CEO & Founder Former Scientist	Astropreneurs HUB Pte Ltd NASA
Natalia	Blokhina	Co-founder	Brighter Ventures
Natalia	Cano	Head of Brand & Reputation APAC	Google
Jérôme	Chartier	First Vice President Founder	Regional Council Ile-de-France Les Entretiens de Royaumont
Jessica	Cheam	Founder and Managing Editor	Eco Business
Ming	Chen	Chief Culture Officer	EF Education First
Sarah	Chen	Co-Founder & Managing Partner	The Billion Dollar Fund for Women
Sara	Cheng	CEO	Fuji Xerox Singapore

Li Peng	Cheok	MBA Candidate Co-President	INSEAD INSEAD Women in Business Club
Rosaline	Chow Koo	Founder & CEO	CXA
Helen	Clark	Former Prime Minister Former Executive Director	Government of New Zealand United Nations Development Programme
Chiara	Corazza	Managing Director	Women's Forum for the Economy & Society
Sarah	Cottle	Global Head of Market Insight	S&P Global Platts
Sandhya	Devanathan	Managing Director	Facebook Singapore
Simonetta	Di Pippo	Director	United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs
Helen	Duce	Leader	Lean In Singapore
Julien	Esch	Managing Director	Dragages Singapore Pte Ltd
Elizabeth	Faber	Chief Talent Officer	Deloitte Asia Pacific
Maria	Faury	Director of International & Big Infrastructures of Research	Alternative Energies & Atomic Energy Commission (CEA)
Gabriele	Fioni	Director of International Cooperation  Chairman of the Global Science Forum	Alternative Energies & Atomic Energy Commission (CEA)  OECD
Cherine	Fok	Director Sustainability Services	KPMG Singapore
Karen	Gilchrist	Make It reporter	CNBC
Harjit	Gill	CEO	Asia Pacific Medical Technology Association
Sylvia	Grangier	MiM Student	HEC
Louise	Harvey	Non Executive Chair	FTI Strategic Communications, Brussels

Omuoy	Heang	Regional Ambassador Founder	Technovation of Cambodia Camsolution Technology
Anne-Gabrielle	Heilbronner	Member of the Directoire and Secretary General	Publicis Groupe
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