

stars Singapore symposium 2026
Unknown Unknowns: Prepare for Disruptions!
24-27 June 2026
Singapore, Changi Cove

Objectives:

- Broaden the mindset to better understand **major global trends** which will impact business and society over the next couple of years, like **Disruptive Technological Developments, Geopolitics and Geoeconomics, Sustainability, Leadership**
- Understand the **World in Transition and the Potential of South and Southeast Asia**
- Engage in **interdisciplinary and intercultural dialogue** and contribute to the **personal development to drive responsible and sustainable actions**

Background Information: Link

Hint:

stars Alumni chapter meeting

On the eve of the symposium, 23 June 2026, 18.00-21.00, **John R. ALLEN**, Strategic Advisor, Microsoft; Four-Star General (Ret.), United States Marine Corps; Member, stars Global Advisory Panel, Washington DC, United States, will be speaking on "**Disruptions all-over: Business Risks in a World of Uncertainty and Insecurity**". **Further information**

Wednesday, 24 June 2026 - Singapore

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| 11:00 | Opening of Conference Check-in | | Hotel Lobby |
| 12:00 | Optional Early Bird Programme: Singapore City Tour | | Meeting Point: Hotel Lobby |
| 15:30 | Welcome Coffee | | Auditorium Foyer |
| 16:30 | Welcome Address | Toni SCHOENENBERGER Founder and Executive Chairman, stars Foundation, Weinfelden, Switzerland | Auditorium |
| 16:45 | Complexity is Destiny - Orientation in Times of No Direction | Parag KHANNA Founder & CEO, AlphaGeo, Internationally Bestselling Author and Global Strategy Advisor, Singapore | |
| | Plenary Discussion | | |
| 18:00 | Cocktails and Group Picture | | Changi Cove Command House |
| 19:00 | Dinner hosted by PwC Singapore | | |
| | Night Cap | | The Conservatory |

Thursday, 25 June 2026 - Singapore

07:00 Breakfast

White Olive Cafe

GEOPOLITICAL AND GEOECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE

08:30 A World Beyond Trump: Anticipating Geopolitical Futures (Plenary Discussion) Auditorium

John R. ALLEN Strategic Advisor, Microsoft; Four-Star General (Ret.), United States Marine Corps; Member, stars Global Advisory Panel, Washington DC, United States
Friedrich Christian HAAS Co-Founder and Managing Partner, Ake Group; stars Alumnus, Monheim am Rhein, Germany
Selina HO Vice Dean, Research and Development, Dean's Chair and Associate Professor in International Affairs, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS, Singapore

09:30 Anticipating Emerging Powers Futures (Plenary Discussion)

Nomfundo Faith DLAMINI Head of Ecosystem Enablement, Allan and Gill Gray Philanthropy, Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa
Farmina HOSSAIN Director, Operations, BURO Bangladesh; stars Alumna, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Agung PRIANTA Director, Jimbaran Hijau Estate, Bali, Indonesia

10:30 Coffee Break

Auditorium Foyer

11:00 Deep Dive Breakout Group 1: A World Beyond Trump: Anticipating Geopolitical Futures

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Auditorium

Deep Dive Breakout Group 2: Anticipating Emerging Powers Futures

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Moderator:
Stefan RAESAMEN Member, stars Foundation Board, Zurich, Switzerland

Breakout Room

12:15 Lunch

Auditorium Foyer

13:30 Peers-Exchange in Breakout Groups

Auditorium

Circular Economy: From Net Zero to Net Positive

Dozie IGWEILO Founder and CEO, Quadloop Technologies; stars Alumnus, Lagos, Nigeria

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| 15:00 | Time at your Disposal | |
| 15:30 | Departure | Meeting Point: Hotel Lobby |
| 16:30 | Tour of PSA Innovation Gallery, including Virtual Terminal Tour | PSA Headquarters |
| | Plenary Discussion | |
| 17:45 | The Transformation of PSA Singapore and the Tuas Ecosystem | Nelson QUEK Regional CEO, Southeast Asia, PSA; stars Alumnus, Singapore |
| 19:00 | Dinner, hosted by PSA | |
| | Night Cap | The Conservatory |

Friday, 26 June 2026 - Singapore

07:00 Breakfast White Olive Cafe

THE INTELLIGENCE AGE: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES RESHAPING POSSIBILITY

08:30 Presentations **Jonathan Viet PHAM** Founder and CEO, Diaflow, Singapore
Jennifer ZHANG Co-Founder and CEO, WIZ.AI, Singapore
Christian SCHNEIDER Co-Founder and CEO, FileAI, Singapore Auditorium Foyer

09:45 Coffee Break Auditorium Foyer

10:15 Plenary Discussion **Jonathan Viet PHAM** Founder and CEO, Diaflow, Singapore
Jennifer ZHANG Co-Founder and CEO, WIZ.AI, Singapore
Christian SCHNEIDER Co-Founder and CEO, FileAI, Singapore Auditorium Foyer

11:15 Short Coffee Break Auditorium Foyer

LEADERSHIP: SUCCESS IN BUSINESS AND BEYOND

11:30 The Essence of Leadership, followed by book signing: «Lim Siong Guan - The Best is Yet to Be» **LIM Siong Guan** Former Group President, GIC; Former Head of Singapore Civil Service; Member, stars International Board, Singapore Auditorium

12:30 Lunch

14:00 Lessons in Leadership **John R. ALLEN** Strategic Advisor, Microsoft; Four-Star General (Ret.), United States Marine Corps; Member, stars Global Advisory Panel, Washington DC, United States
Victor KUK Group CEO, Peak Re, Hong Kong, China
Marcus LAM Executive Chairman, PwC Singapore; stars Alumnus; Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel, Singapore
PNG Chin Yee CFO of Temasek and President of Temasek Singapore, Singapore

15:15 Coffee Break Auditorium Foyer

15:45 Leadership Dialogues (in Breakout Groups) Breakout Rooms

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Advisory Panel, Singapore

PNG Chin Yee CFO of Temasek and President of
Temasek Singapore, Singapore

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| 17:00 | Time at your Disposal | |
| 18:00 | Departure | Meeting Point: Hotel Lobby |
| 19:00 | Cocktails and Dinner including a tasting from SGProtein (www.eatsgprotein.com) | Swiss Club Singapore |
| | Night Cap | The Conservatory |

Saturday, 27 June 2026 - Singapore

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| 07:00 | Breakfast | | White Olive Cafe |
| 08:30 | Asian Companies Going Global | KUOK Khoon Hong Chairman and CEO, Wilmar Group, Singapore Girish RAMACHANDRAN President, Growth Markets Asia Pacific, Middle East, Africa and Latin America, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS); Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel, Singapore TAN Chong Meng Vice Chairman, Temasek; Former CEO, PSA; Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel, Singapore WONG Su-Yen Chair, James Cook University Singapore; Board Director - SGX-Listed companies and Kemin Industries (USA); Adjunct Professor, National University of Singapore; Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel, Singapore | Auditorium speakers |
| 10:00 | Coffee Break | | Auditorium Foyer |
| 10:30 | Transforming Singapore's Economy | BEH Swan Gin Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry; Former Chairman, Economic Development Board EDB, Singapore | Auditorium |
| | Plenary Discussion | | |
| 11:45 | Concluding Remarks | Toni SCHOENENBERGER Founder and Executive Chairman, stars Foundation, Weinfelden, Switzerland | |
| 12:00 | Lunch | | Auditorium Foyer |

Moderation:

Mark DITTLI, Founding Partner and Financial Journalist, The Market, Zurich, Switzerland

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