

**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**

**Recommended Reading: 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**

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	<b>Toni SCHOENENBERGER</b> Founder and Executive Chairman, stars Foundation, Weinfelden, Switzerland	Auditorium
16:45	Complexity is Destiny - Orientation in Times of No Direction	<b>Parag KHANNA</b> 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) **John R. ALLEN** Strategic Advisor, Microsoft; Four-Star General (Ret.), United States Marine Corps; Member, stars Global Advisory Panel, Washington DC, United States

Auditorium

**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

**Farina 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

**John R. ALLEN** Strategic Advisor, Microsoft; Four-Star General (Ret.), United States Marine Corps; Member, stars Global Advisory Panel, Washington DC, United States

Auditorium

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**Moderator:**

**Mark DITTLI** Co-Founder and Financial Journalist, The Market, Zurich, Switzerland

Deep Dive Breakout Group 2: Anticipating Emerging Powers Futures

**Nomfundo Faith DLAMINI** Head of Ecosystem Enablement, Allan and Gill Gray Philanthropy, Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa

Breakout Room

**Farina HOSSAIN** Director, Operations, BURO Bangladesh; stars Alumna, Dhaka, Bangladesh

**Agung PRIANTA** Director, Jimbaran Hijau Estate, Bali, Indonesia

**Moderator:**

**Stefan RAESAMEN** Member, stars Foundation Board, Zurich, Switzerland

12:15 Lunch

Auditorium Foyer

13:30 Peers-Exchange in Breakout Groups

Auditorium

## Thursday, 25 June 2026 - Singapore

Circular Economy: From Net Zero to Net Positive

**Dozie IGWEILO** Founder and CEO, Quadloop Technologies; stars Alumnus, Lagos, Nigeria  
**Moderator:**  
**Stefan RAESAMEN** Member, stars Foundation Board, Zurich, Switzerland

Watershed Ecology: Sustaining Biodiversity and Development in an Era of Emerging Disruptions

**Elfritzon PERALTA** Assistant Professor and Academic Researcher, University of Santo Tomas; stars Alumnus, Manila, The Philippines  
**Moderator:**  
**Tom LUDESCHER** Entrepreneur; Co-President, stars Singapore alumni chapter, Singapore

Timor-Leste 2030: Balancing Economic Development, Energy Security and Sustainability

**Eligio BELO** Digital Transformation and System Design Specialist, Ministry of Planning and Strategic Investments; stars Alumnus, Dili, Timor-Leste  
**Caetano Efandy PINTO** CEO and Managing Director, Uni Graca Gloess; stars Alumnus, Dili, Timor-Leste  
**Moderator:**  
**Mark DITTLI** Co-Founder and Financial Journalist, The Market, Zurich, Switzerland

Laos 2030: Preparing People for an Unpredictable Future

**Alanya BOUTXADY** Project Coordinator, Skilldream Association; stars Alumna, Kaysone Phomvihane City, Laos  
**Limleevanh SYSANONH** Head, Human Resources, Dux Recruitment and Training; stars Alumnus, Vientiane, Laos  
**Moderator:**  
**Christoph SCHMID** Member, stars Foundation Board, Zurich, Switzerland

Deep Dive: China's New Frontiers

**Xiaofei DONG** CFO, Bright Capital; stars Alumna, Shenzhen, China  
**Chunlai LI** Country Manager, Oatside; stars Alumna, Beijing, China  
**Tao XU** General Manager, Beijing Xingxiu Technology; stars Alumnus, Beijing, China  
**Kelvin YU** Director, MBA Center, National School of Development at Peking University; stars Alumnus, Beijing, China  
**Moderator:**  
**Markus PRANDINI** Professor, Entrepreneurship and International Business, Kalaidos University of Applied Sciences; stars Alumnus, Zurich, Switzerland

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 **Yee HUANG** Chief Revenue Officer, fileAI, Singapore  
**Jianfeng LU** Co-Founder and CEO, WIZ.AI, Singapore  
**Jonathan Viet PHAM** Founder and CEO, Diaflow, Singapore Auditorium Foyer

09:45 Coffee Break Auditorium Foyer

10:15 Plenary Discussion **Jonathan Viet PHAM** Founder and CEO, Diaflow, Singapore  
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**Yee HUANG** Chief Revenue Officer, 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  
**Hwee Loo TAN** Head, Private Equity Asia, GIC, Singapore

15:15 Coffee Break Auditorium Foyer

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

**John R. ALLEN** Strategic Advisor, Microsoft; Four-Star General (Ret.), United States Marine Corps; Member, stars Global Advisory Panel, Washington DC, United States  
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**Victor KUK** Group CEO, Peak Re, Hong Kong, China  
**Moderator:**  
**Mark DITTLI** Co-Founder and Financial Journalist,  
The Market, Zurich, Switzerland

**LIM Siong Guan** Former Group President, GIC;  
Former Head of Singapore Civil Service; Member,  
stars International Board, Singapore  
**Moderator:**  
**Natalia LANDOLT** Head, International and Global  
Accounts Switzerland and Austria; stars Alumna,  
Ricoh Schweiz AG, Zurich, Switzerland

**Marcus LAM** Executive Chairman, PwC Singapore;  
stars Alumnus; Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel,  
Singapore  
**Moderator:**  
**Tom LUDESCHER** Entrepreneur; Co-President, stars  
Singapore alumni chapter, Singapore

**PNG Chin Yee** CFO of Temasek and President of  
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18:00 Departure

Meeting Point:  
Hotel Lobby

19:00 Cocktails and Dinner including a  
tasting from SGProtein  
([www.eatsgprotein.com](http://www.eatsgprotein.com))

Swiss Club  
Singapore

Night Cap

The Conservatory

## Saturday, 27 June 2026 - Singapore

07:00	Breakfast		White Olive Cafe
08:30	Asian Companies Going Global	<b>KUOK Khoon Hong</b> Chairman and CEO, Wilmar Group, Singapore <b>Girish RAMACHANDRAN</b> President, Growth Markets Asia Pacific, Middle East, Africa and Latin America, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS); Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel, Singapore <b>TAN Chong Meng</b> Deputy Chairman, Temasek; Former Group CEO, PSA International; Member, stars Asia Advisory Panel, Singapore <b>WONG Su-Yen</b> 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	<b>BEH Swan Gin</b> Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry; Former Chairman, Economic Development Board EDB, Singapore	Auditorium
	Plenary Discussion		
11:45	Concluding Remarks	<b>Toni SCHOENENBERGER</b> 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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