

# ASIA BOARD LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2024

The Asia Board Leadership Summit (ABLS) is established with the aim of improving board leadership practices in Asia that focus on long-term value creation and sustainable growth – for the good of the firm, shareholders, stakeholders, and society at large.

Hosted by the Human Capital Leadership Institute (HCLI), the Summit brings together Board leaders from across Asia to inspire discussion and lead collaboration in the face of the new opportunities, challenges, and risks arising from this new era in Asia.

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## PROGRAMME ELEMENTS



Meet other Board leaders across Asia to exchange ideas and develop new perspectives



Address top-of-mind board leadership and governance issues in Asia



Gain insights from subject matter experts to overcome Asia's boardroom challenges



## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- ✔ Board Chairs, Board Committee Chairs, Independent Directors, Executive and Non-Executive Directors and CEOs of listed and private corporations including family-owned businesses, government agencies and not-for-profit organisations

## PROGRAMME INVESTMENT

- ✔ SGD 5,900 per participant (before GST)

## DATES & VENUE

30 & 31 January 2024 (In-person)  
ABLS 2024 will be held in Singapore

**Application by 31 December 2023**

## OVERVIEW OF ABLS 2024

Asia is the fastest growing economic region in the world and expected to lead a new economic and political era as the world's "New Majority".

Asia is accounting for a larger share of the global pie, especially in terms of growth in GDP, trade, manufacturing, patents, technology revenue, the middle class, energy consumption, clean energy investments, and foreign direct investments.

This growth, however, comes with a set of challenges. While a globalised Asia can become the hub of world trade, this trade centrality can also increase geopolitical tensions in the region. While a fast-growing middle class fuels economic consumption in Asia, it also faces the economic challenge of a fast-aging population. While Asia is the manufacturing engine for the world, it needs to learn how to become the technology innovation platform for the world. While Asia leads in making new investments in clean energy, it is also the largest consumer of energy.



At ABLS, board leaders from a variety of industries meet to exchange ideas to develop fresh perspectives of these challenges in Asia. More than ever before, boards need to address the complexities that come with the new opportunities of this new era in Asia.

This new era presents boards with the opportunity to leverage Asia as the hub of global trade, a fast-growing middle class, manufacturing engine for the world, and clean technology. At the same time, boards in Asia face the pressures of geopolitical tensions, a fast-aging population, relative inexperience with technological innovation, and unrelentless energy consumption.

# CURRICULUM, APPROACH & KEY THEMES

The curriculum of ABLS is built around the most significant macro developments brought about by the growth of Asia. It addresses critical board leadership and governance issues through a combination of keynotes, presentations, panel discussions, analysis of case studies developed based on real life events faced by corporations in Asia, as well as experiential learning through role play and simulation.

ABLS is facilitated by teaching teams comprising academic and board leaders, is highly interactive, and peer-to-peer learning oriented in its format.

## FOUR KEY THEMES

- ✔ Boardroom Challenges for the New Era in Asia: Geopolitics and Non-market Strategies
- ✔ Boardroom Diversity for the New Era in Asia: Value Creation Strategies and New Business Models
- ✔ Asia as the Technology Platform for the World: Innovation, Cyber Risk, and Resilience
- ✔ Asia as the Global Leader in Resource and Energy Systems: Sustainability and Climate Change



# PROGRAMME AGENDA

Tuesday, 30th January 2024



## 0830-1300 Boardroom Challenges for the New Era in Asia: Geopolitics and Non-Market Strategies

Welcome Remarks

Opening Keynote: Asia at the Crossroads of a New Economic and Political World Order

Presentation: Geopolitics and Non-Market Strategies in the New Era in Asia

Case Discussion: Formulating New Strategies for the New Era in Asia

Panel Discussion: Capital, Talent and Information Flow in the New Era in Asia

## 1400-1830 Boardroom Diversity for the New Era in Asia: Creating and Capturing Value

Opening Remarks: Asia at the Crossroads of the Exploding Middle Class and Aging Population

Presentation: New Strategies and Business Models for Creating and Capturing New Value

Case Discussion: Creating and Capturing New Value for the New Era of Asia

Panel Discussion: Designing and Leveraging Board Diversity for the New Era in Asia

## 1830 Welcome Dinner



# PROGRAMME AGENDA

Wednesday, 31st January 2024



## 0830-1300 Asia as the Technology Platform for the World: Innovation, Cyber Risk, and Resilience

Opening Remarks: Asia as Manufacturer and Innovator for the World

Presentation: New Opportunities and Threats in the Face of Rapid Technological Innovation

Case Discussion: Cyber Risk & Disaster Recovery in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

Panel Discussion: Generative Artificial Intelligence and New Business Models

## 1400-1830 Asia as the Global Leader in Resource and Energy Systems: Sustainability and Climate Change

Opening Remarks: Asia as Consumer and Conservator for the World

Presentation: The Paradox of Energy Consumption and Climate Impact in Asia

Case Discussion: Growth & Governance in the Age of Climate Change

Panel Discussion: Purpose with Profit – Patience, Perspective, Pointless?

Closing Keynote: How Should Boards Lead in this New Era in Asia?

## 1830 Closing Dinner hosted by EY

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Through Asia-specific research and insights, industry-relevant executive development programmes, and fostering networks between thought leaders in business, government, and academia, HCLI aims to cultivate global leaders with a deep understanding of leading in Asia and develop Asian leaders with the ability to lead on a global stage.

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