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IMDA APPOINTS 18 SINGAPOREAN DIGITAL LEADERS IN 2023

The Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) appoints 18 Singaporeans from 14 companies as SG Digital Leaders. This is part of the efforts to groom Singaporean leaders in the tech ecosystem to take on leadership roles in the digital economy. The SG Digital Leaders are founders of high growth tech startups, leaders in large companies, and innovators building tech products for the world.

“Through the SG Digital Leaders programme, we are grooming the next generation of leaders for our digital economy. They have diverse work experience, such as leading large engineering teams in tech MNCs, founding fast-growing tech startups, and developing ground-breaking products for the world. As we support their growth as leaders, I hope that they will in turn be role models for Singaporean youths, and nurture future talent for the tech ecosystem,” said Singapore’s **Senior Minister of State for Communications & Information, Mr Tan Kiat How**.

Launched in August 2022, the SG Digital Leadership Accelerator aims to build a strong community of Singaporean digital leaders for the tech ecosystem, and it does so by bringing together emerging leaders in different stages of their careers to support one another on their professional and personal leadership journeys. Through the network, the SG Digital Leadership Accelerator will fast-track leadership development of IMDA's SG Digital Leaders and SG Digital Scholars. The programme will provide networking opportunities, mentorship from global tech leaders and allow these leaders in turn to mentor our younger Singaporeans in the ecosystem.

IMDA, in collaboration with the private sector, identifies tech professionals who have the potential to take on senior leadership positions. These leaders come from diverse backgrounds, lead regional teams, and specialise in product development with backgrounds in Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), data, software and engineering. Among the 18 SG Digital Leaders include:

- Four female tech leaders who are spearheading the industry, including Ms Annabel Lee, the first female Asian policy lead in Amazon Web Services (AWS), helps to define how cloud service providers like AWS can help organisations build trusted digital infrastructure. She also develops policies for digital transformation across the region by engaging with companies and government agencies.
- Leaders managing business growth from major companies. For example, Mr Manik Saha, founding Managing Director of the recently established SAP Labs in Singapore oversees the development of AI and other Intelligent Enterprise technologies and solutions. With a current staff strength of 185, SAP Labs aims to grow to 400 employees in Singapore in the next two years.
- Founders and Innovators leading high growth tech start-ups. For instance, Mr Keith Oh, the Head of Product Design at Carousell, who played an integral role in launching innovative features like 'Carousell Certified' and 'Sell to Carousell' that tapped onto new target segments for the business.

IMDA will continue to partner high-growth companies to identify and groom their next bench leaders and form a strong network of Singaporean Digital Leaders who will drive our Digital Economy.

Annex A: List of 2023 SG Digital Leaders

S/N	Name	Designation	Company
1.	Aaron Tan	Senior Vice President, Head of Data Engineering	GIC Private Limited
2.	Annabel Lee	Director, Digital Policy (Asia Pacific and Japan) and Public Policy (ASEAN)	Amazon Web Services
3.	Benjamin Wong	Co-Founder & CEO	Kinobi
4.	Derrick Lee	Co-Founder and Chief Technology Officer	Accredify Pte. Ltd.
5.	Gaurav Lakhanpal	Global Head Real time payments, Head APAC payments	JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A.
6.	Jan Lim	Country Leader, Singapore Marketplace	Amazon Asia Pacific Holdings Pte Ltd
7.	Janson Seah	Co-Founder and CEO	StaffAny Pte Ltd
8.	Josh Soh	Associate DevOps Director	TiMi Studio Group
9.	Joshua Phua	Co-Founder and CTO	Kinobi
10.	Keith Oh	Head, Product Design	Carousell Pte Ltd
11.	Lee Chiew Khim	Whole-of-Government Lead, Public Sector	Microsoft Operations Pte Ltd
12.	Leong Ai Lin	Director, LemmaTree Group	LemmaTree Pte. Ltd.
13.	Lim Han Rui	Investment Lead	LemmaTree Pte. Ltd.
14.	Manik Narayan Saha	Managing Director, SAP Labs Singapore	SAP Asia Pte Ltd
15.	Marvin Tan	Division Head, Business Partner & Solutions and Regional Technology	GIC Private Limited
16.	Meliza Ho	Director, Product Design	Delivery Hero APAC Pte. Limited (foodpanda)
17.	Ong Jun Hao	Chief Information Officer	DC Frontiers Pte Ltd

18.	Ronnie Liew	Director of Engineering, APAC	Delivery Hero APAC Pte. Limited (foodpanda)
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The Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) leads Singapore’s digital transformation by developing a vibrant digital economy and an inclusive digital society. As Architects of Singapore’s Digital Future, we foster growth in Infocomm Technology and Media sectors in concert with progressive regulations, harnessing frontier technologies, and developing local talent and digital infrastructure ecosystems to establish Singapore as a digital metropolis.

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