

## MEDIA FACTSHEET

### **Embodied AI, Quantum Computing and other frontier technologies to be featured at SWITCH 2025**

*Flagship conference celebrates 10 years of innovation in Singapore; designated as SG60 signature event with expanded activities to engage larger community*

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1. The **Singapore Week of Innovation and Technology (SWITCH) flagship conference** will return for its tenth edition from **29 – 31 October 2025** at the Sands Expo and Convention Centre, commemorating a decade of driving opportunities at the forefront of innovation and tech development in Asia. **Organised by Enterprise Singapore (EnterpriseSG)**, SWITCH has been catalysing important conversations on technology and its potential to drive positive global impact. The event has played a pivotal role in connecting global and innovation partners to explore cross-border collaborations, advance the development of new technologies, and deepen support and infrastructure for startups.
2. SWITCH has continued to grow in stature and scale alongside the region's rising demand for tech and innovative solutions, with last year's conference drawing a record turn-out of more than 20,000 attendees from over 100 countries. Over the years, it has **evolved to include a stronger focus on deep technologies** (deep tech) and its transformative impact across industries.
3. In celebration of SWITCH's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and in line with Singapore's SG60 festivities, **SWITCH 2025 will return with an expanded programme across its signature stages, to deep dive into frontier technologies and its impact on industries. There will also be more immersive experiences for the wider community to engage with innovation and tech across the exhibition show floor.**

- **SWITCH Main Stage:** This year's headline speakers include the likes of global and regional tech leaders, who will share their unique perspectives on scaling technology amid today's competitive business climate. In addition, **SLINGSHOT 2025**, Asia's premier deep tech startup competition, will also return for its ninth edition to attract the best-in-class innovators from all over the world. This year's competition has seen a record number of more than 6,800 startup applications, vying for over S\$2 million<sup>1</sup> in grant prizes and the opportunity to anchor their operations in Singapore.
- **SWITCH Beyond Stage:** Industry experts – including startup founders, corporates, researchers and academics – will take to the sectoral thought leadership stage to spotlight the transformative power of frontier technologies like **embodied Artificial Intelligence (AI) and quantum technologies**. They will also discuss topics including the **trends shaping the future of precision medicine and the opportunities and challenges for players in this space**.
- **SWITCH Global Stage:** As the leading platform connecting the global-Asia innovation ecosystem, SWITCH will bring together global partners to explore new cross-border collaborations and initiatives to help startups scale.
- **SWITCH Converge Stage:** The dedicated startup-centric stage will feature sharing sessions on the latest industry, funding and talent trends, as well as networking and deal-making opportunities.

**SWITCH 2025 to celebrate Singapore's innovation journey, provide immersive experiences to encourage greater collaborations in science and technology**

4. Aside from the various content sessions, SWITCH 2025 will feature an extensive exhibition to feature new technologies, including for robotics and quantum computing.
5. For the first time, SWITCH will be partnering with the **National Youth Council (NYC)** to launch a youth-focused innovation and technology track in support of the SG Youth Plan<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> This is an increase of almost 80% from last year.

<sup>2</sup> The SG Youth Plan by the National Youth Council is a five-year action plan created by youths, for youths, and supported by the rest of society. It will hold the hopes and aspirations of youths, and how they can be supported

This will **spotlight emerging technologies and how this will affect the future of work**. It will bring together Singaporean entrepreneurs, corporates and Institutes of Higher Learning (IHLs) to help youth envision and navigate new trends in the workforce. The one-day programme will take place on the final day of SWITCH, and feature fireside discussions, networking sessions and a hands-on hackathon for students to have an immersive experience and be exposed to the latest in tech.

6. In addition, the **Signature Lab Crawl** will return bigger and better – with a full-day programme to reach more participants and provide them with behind-the-scenes access to Singapore’s innovation activities. The Signature Lab Crawl will take place on **28 October 2025** and offer a curated tour of innovation infrastructure and facilities to over 20 corporates, research institutes, IHLs and more<sup>3</sup>.
7. Beyond the flagship conference, SWITCH has continued to catalyse opportunities for networking and industry collaborations throughout the year. This includes the recent **OIconnects event** held on 31 July at lyf Funan Singapore, which saw investors, corporates and startups come together to explore new collaboration opportunities across various industries. It also announced the new corporate and startup partnerships arising from the Open Innovation Challenges (OICs)<sup>4</sup> launched at SWITCH 2024. More details on upcoming OICs will be shared at this year’s conference.
8. For information on SWITCH 2025, please visit <http://go.gov.sg/switch2025>

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with opportunities, platforms, and resources to take action to do good, and include ideas for how every part of society can play a part in doing so.

<sup>3</sup> There are more than 20 locations for the Signature Lab Crawl, which includes visits to Arrow Electronics, Schneider Electric, Thales Air Lab, and the Singapore Science Park, among others.

<sup>4</sup> This includes the inaugural AI OIC, Nordic OIC and 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Sustainability OIC, which were launched at SWITCH 2024.

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### **About SWITCH**

The SWITCH flagship event returns to Singapore at the Sands Expo and Convention Centre from 29 – 31 October 2025. Join an international delegation of innovators, investors, and industry leaders who meet at this annual innovation festival where mutual collaboration and cross-market opportunities take place.

With Singapore being a hub for the Global-Asia innovation community, startups, entrepreneurs, investors, innovation teams, community multipliers, MNCs, and government representatives all meet at SWITCH to create positive change in our respective industries and markets.

Through the power of collaboration that drives this spirit of innovation, the connections made at SWITCH will further technology and innovation development, bring them to market, as well as establish relationships with like-minded colleagues to create a sustainable future through innovation and technology.

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