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EnterpriseSG opens Boston office to strengthen support for Singapore firms' US expansion through the East Coast

New Boston Overseas Centre unlocks Massachusetts' business and innovation ecosystem for Singapore companies seeking growth in the US

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1. Enterprise Singapore (EnterpriseSG) today announced the opening of its Boston Overseas Centre to strengthen support for Singapore companies growing their presence in the United States (US) through the East Coast. The centre marks EnterpriseSG's fifth office in the US, following the opening of its Austin Overseas Centre in April this year.[1] The new office complements the existing centre in New York, expanding access to regional business opportunities and innovation ecosystems, as well as fostering closer bilateral trade, business and innovation collaborations between Singapore and the US.

2. The office was officially opened by Singapore Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs Mr Edwin Tong SC and attended by Managing Director of EnterpriseSG Ms Cindy Khoo, Boston Mayor Ms Michelle Wu, Cambridge Mayor Ms Sumbul Siddiqui and Massachusetts Secretary of Economic Development Mr Eric Paley. More than 90 representatives from government, academia, investors, innovation community, and businesses from Singapore and the US were also present at the opening ceremony.

3. The new Boston Overseas Centre will equip Singapore businesses with market insights, access to project opportunities, and connections to corporates, innovation and capital networks. Located in the heart of Greater Boston's innovation hub, it connects Singapore companies to one of the world's most dynamic innovation ecosystems, supporting them to forge strategic partnerships and pursue new business opportunities. This builds on EnterpriseSG's first state-level partnership in the US, signed earlier today with the

[1] EnterpriseSG's US network comprises five Overseas Centres in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Austin and Boston.

Massachusetts Office of International Trade and Investment (MOITI), which will strengthen collaboration between Singapore and Massachusetts-based businesses, investors and institutions in areas such as life sciences, energy, advanced manufacturing, robotics and AI.

4. "The US remains an important market for Singapore companies, with growing interest from Singapore businesses in recent years. Massachusetts is a natural partner on the East Coast for Singapore tech firms, given its vibrant business community with complementary strengths in innovation and deep tech. Our presence in Boston will deepen connections between our business and tech communities, spark new partnerships, accelerate innovation and bring new solutions to markets in the US and beyond," said Ms Khoo.

5. "Massachusetts is proud to welcome Singapore to Boston and deepen our partnership between two of the world's leading innovation economies," said Massachusetts Governor Ms Maura Healey. "This new office will connect Massachusetts companies with new markets, investment and partners across Southeast Asia—strengthening our economy and helping the next generation of groundbreaking ideas grow right here at home."

Deepening business and technology collaborations with Massachusetts

6. Singapore and Massachusetts enjoy strong and growing economic ties underpinned by trade, investment and innovation partnerships. Total trade in goods between Singapore and Massachusetts more than doubled between 2021 and 2025 to reach US$2.75 billion in 2025,[2] with Massachusetts consistently recording a trade surplus with Singapore over the past 5 years.

7. Massachusetts has also developed one of the world's leading hubs for business and innovation, with a dense concentration of academic, research and corporate capabilities. The state is home to globally renowned universities, including the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Harvard University, as well as world-leading hospitals like Mass General Brigham. Its strong corporate R&D base includes major players such as Pfizer, Sanofi and Alphabet.

[2] Source: US Census Bureau

8. Singapore companies across sectors, including manufacturing, life sciences and deep tech areas such as robotics and AI, have established a presence in Massachusetts to work with partners in its vibrant ecosystem and expand their US operations. For example, **MAK Technologies**, a subsidiary of ST Engineering, has long operated in Massachusetts, which accounts for most of its over 80 employees across the US. The company develops engineering software for modelling and simulation across the US aerospace and defence industries. Singapore startup **Cirrus Therapeutics** operates across Singapore and Boston, combining complementary R&D capabilities to accelerate advanced gene therapies for age-related macular degeneration and other chronic blinding diseases, while **Roceso Technologies** is tapping Massachusetts' deep pool of robotics talent and industry networks as a springboard to build its commercial capabilities and expand its rehabilitation robotics solutions in the US.

Building on six decades of US-Singapore partnership

9. The opening of EnterpriseSG's Boston Overseas Centre comes as Singapore and the US commemorate 60 years of bilateral relations this year. Singapore and the US share strong and longstanding economic ties, with bilateral trade reaching S$139.2 billion in 2025.[3] The US remains one of Singapore's largest trading and investment partners, while Singapore is the third-largest Asian investor in the US.

10. The US continues to be an important market for Singapore companies seeking growth and innovation opportunities. More than 250 Singapore companies have established a presence across 45 US states, making the US one of the top five overseas markets for Singapore businesses.

Annex: Remarks by EnterpriseSG's Managing Director Ms Cindy Khoo

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[3] Source: Department of Statistics Singapore

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THE LAUNCH OF ENTERPRISE SINGAPORE'S BOSTON OVERSEAS CENTRE

ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2026, RAFFLES HOTEL BOSTON

Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs, Mr Edwin Tong,
His Excellency, Mr Lui Tuck Yew, Singapore's Ambassador to the United States,
Mayor of Boston, Ms Michelle Wu,
Mayor of Cambridge, Ms Sumbul Siddiqui,
Massachusetts Secretary of Economic Development, Mr Eric Paley,
President and CEO of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, Mr James Rooney,
Distinguished partners and guests,
Ladies and gentlemen,

1. Good evening. It is a joy to be here for the launch of Enterprise Singapore's Boston Overseas Centre.

2. It is fitting that we mark this at Raffles Hotel Boston – a hotel that carries the distinguished Raffles name from Singapore to Boston, much as our new office will deepen the connections between our two markets.

3. The Boston Overseas Centre is Enterprise Singapore's fifth office in the US and second on the East Coast. Why Massachusetts, and why Boston?

4. Over 250 Singapore companies operate across 45 US states, and close to half are active on the East Coast. With growing interest from our companies in this region, we are expanding our presence here – augmenting our New York office that has been the sole East Coast hub since the 1970s.

5. Massachusetts and Singapore are natural partners. Both are globally recognised hubs with complementary strengths in life sciences, advanced manufacturing, robotics, and sustainability.

    a. Massachusetts offers a dense ecosystem of world-class universities, research institutions, hospitals, investors, and technology companies – and is a key connectivity gateway to the six-state New England region.
    b. Singapore, likewise, has built a strong ecosystem as a rising deeptech hub in Asia – one that complements what Massachusetts has achieved. We are also a gateway to Southeast Asia.
    c. Together, I believe we can achieve more.

6. We are already seeing this play out.

    a. Vertex, the global venture capital platform under Singapore investment firm Temasek, has invested approximately US$100 million across nine Massachusetts startups.
    b. Cirrus Therapeutics, a biotech company dual-headquartered in the US and Singapore, is developing transformative ocular immunology therapies, backed by investors from both sides of the Pacific.

7. Beyond individual companies, we are building institutional bridges.

    a. Through our Global Innovation Alliance plus (GIA+) programme, Enterprise Singapore supports Singapore startups' participation in globally competitive accelerator programmes by MassChallenge and MassRobotics to accelerate their US market growth.

8. As the first Southeast Asian country to establish a trade office in Massachusetts, we are committed to strengthening linkages between Massachusetts and Singapore – and we are pleased to play a bridging role to connect Massachusetts with the opportunities, growth and talent that the broader Southeast Asian region has to offer. This morning, Enterprise Singapore signed a partnership agreement with the Massachusetts Office of International Trade and Investment (MOITI), laying the foundation for deeper, sustained collaboration.

9. My sincere thanks to the State of Massachusetts, the City of Boston and the City of Cambridge – your support made this possible. And to the business communities here today – thank you for being the connective tissue between our two ecosystems.

10. I warmly invite all of you – our Massachusetts partners and our Singapore companies – to reach out to our team in Boston. We are here, we are ready, and we look forward to growing together.

11. Thank you.