

# SWITCH 2025: Singapore Hosted a Global Journey Through Healthcare Innovation, Startups, and Deep Tech

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SWITCH 2025 a pivotal platform for innovation and entrepreneurship underscored dynamic opportunities in the evolving bioscience landscape in Asia and beyond



SWITCH 2025, the 10th edition of SWITCH kicked off with its largest-ever gathering of startup and innovation enthusiasts, bringing together a global community representing over 100 markets. Held across four stages, networking zones, and a bustling exhibition hall, the event sparked ideas, fostered connections, and turned conversations into collaborations. Attendees engaged in dynamic discussions, exchanged insights, and explored opportunities, underscoring SWITCH 2025 as a pivotal platform for innovation and entrepreneurship.

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Organised by Enterprise Singapore and supported by the National Research Foundation Singapore (NRF) of the Prime Minister's Office, SWITCH 2025 represents a pivotal opportunity to shape the future of transformation in Singapore – the homeground of innovation.

#### Four Stages of SWITCH 2025

SWITCH 2025 offers an expansive experience across four distinct stages, each meticulously designed to propel your ventures and insights forward. Whether you're seeking the next big idea, global market opportunities, deep tech mastery, or crucial connections for growth, SWITCH is your definitive platform for innovation.

#### Main Stage

Discover the future of technology as industry leaders unveil groundbreaking ideas in AI, quantum, and sustainable solutions. Witness tomorrow's unicorns at the SLINGSHOT deep tech grand finals, gaining unparalleled insights and strategic foresight.

#### Beyond Stage (Ticketed add-ons required)

Elevate your expertise with masterclasses in deep tech, designed for leaders who challenge the status quo. Acquire practical skills and collaborate with a global network of peers who share your drive for innovation.

#### **Global Stage**

Expand your horizons with a passport to the world's most dynamic markets, all from one central location. Access critical insights and connections through focused market access sessions, accelerating your entry into new international territories.

### **Converge Stage**

Secure essential knowledge and connections for growth, focusing on topics like Generative AI, Trustworthy AI, and innovative capital strategies. Understand industry gaps and connect with partners and talent to solve immediate business challenges and drive your company forward.

The Global Stage offered sessions on market access and internationalization, while the Converge Stage facilitated industry connections.

Attendees also enjoyed exciting partner events and valuable networking opportunities on the Trade & Exhibition Floor, making Day 1 a vibrant hub of global innovation.

SWITCH 2025 kicked off with a dynamic opening session featuring Tan Min-Liang, CEO of Razer, and Zoë Schiffer, Director of Business & Industry at WIRED Magazine, setting the stage for a day of innovation and collaboration.

**Main Stage Highlights** The Main Stage opened with the **Keynote on Agentic AI**, presented by Tao Zhang, Co-Founder of Manus AI. This session delved into Agentic AI's transformative potential, focusing on autonomous systems, automated workflows, and next-generation copilots.

The **panel on The New Industrial Revolution** brings together leaders from Microsoft, AMD, and Lenovo to discuss how smart AI drives innovation. Topics include responsible AI, data collaboration, and ethical design.

In the afternoon, the **panel on Embodied AI** examined the challenges of scaling this technology, addressing the need for vast datasets, optimized hardware, and interoperability.

**Beyond Stage Highlights** The Beyond Stage offers ticketed sessions, including a **fireside chat with Prof. Kenneth Mak**, discussing Singapore's precision medicine strategies and the shift from lifespan to healthspan using innovation.

Another key session, **Latest Developments in Quantum Hardware**, gathers experts to explore breakthroughs and engineering challenges in quantum technologies.

**Global Stage Highlights** The Global Stage features **Eureka**, an inter-governmental network supporting SMEs in international R&D collaboration. It also includes **Sustainability Without Borders**, showcasing UK innovators advancing technologies in energy, water, and environmental resilience.

Converge Stage Highlights The Converge Stage offers sessions like Navigating the Future of Air Traffic Management, which explores collaboration across startups, corporates, and regulators, and Beyond Equity: The Debt Playbook for Founders, unpacking alternative funding strategies for scaling businesses.

**Connect and Collaborate - SWITCH** 2025 connected over 20,000 attendees with opportunities in AI, quantum computing, robotics, and sustainability. The free-to-register SWITCH Attendee Pass provides access to the Main, Global, and Converge stages, along with networking activities. For deeper engagement, attendees can add Beyond Stage sessions during registration.

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The **SLINGSHOT** Domain Finals continued with two intense pitching rounds, while SWITCH Beyond hosted AI & Robotics and AI for Materials tracks, showcasing cutting-edge advancements.