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University of Glasgow launches Singapore MedTech fund to take innovation onto global stage

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A pilot programme that will connect Scottish innovators with Singapore's healthcare and MedTech ecosystem



UK-based University of Glasgow is helping its spin-outs and researchers build closer ties with the health tech industry in south-east Asia as part of a strategy to foster more international partnerships.

The University has launched the MedTech Innovation Singapore Fund, a pilot programme connecting Scottish innovators with Singapore's healthcare and MedTech ecosystem to accelerate collaboration, commercialisation and international growth.

Through the Fund, Scottish innovators will be supported to test and validate technologies, understand local healthcare needs, develop strategic partnerships and explore opportunities in Singapore and the wider Asia-Pacific region.

As part of the pilot, the University is working with Scottish Development International and collaborative partners to also support a trade mission to the city state in February next year.

The wider programme is designed to connect entrepreneurs with healthcare providers, investors, innovation agencies and commercial partners, helping them explore opportunities across the Asia-Pacific region.

Co-designed by the Head of School at the James Watt School of Engineering and led by the University's Innovation & Enterprise Programmes team and University of Glasgow Singapore (UGS), the initiative supports the University's internationalisation strategy by creating new opportunities for researchers, students and spin-out companies to collaborate and expand overseas.

Launched during the University's 575th anniversary year and Singapore graduation week, the goals of the MedTech Singapore initiative embody values that have defined Glasgow for generations: innovation, resilience and global impact.

Singapore combines advanced healthcare infrastructure, strong regulation, skilled talent and active investment, making it an attractive destination for health innovation.

The University of Glasgow has a strong track record in commercialisation, with its spin-out companies attracting more than £150 million in investment and generating over £500 million in enterprise value since 2010.

Support is being provided by Scottish Enterprise's international arm, Scottish Development International (SDI), aligning with the strategic alliance between Scottish Enterprise and Enterprise Singapore to strengthen cooperation in healthcare, deep technology and other high-growth sectors.