



# EU-Indo-Pacific Digital Partnership Conference 2025

## 28-29 October 2025

**Shaw Foundation Alumni House,  
National University of Singapore**

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### Overview

The EU-Indo-Pacific Digital Partnership Conference 2025 will bring together policy makers, researchers, innovators, and business leaders to discuss and advance the cooperation between the European Union and the Indo-Pacific countries in the field of digital technologies and their application. It supports the implementation of the Digital Partnerships between the European Union and Japan, South Korea, Singapore, and the Trade and Technology Council with India.

The EU-Indo-Pacific Digital Partnership Conference 2025 will discuss core digital technologies and opportunities for collaboration between the EU and the Indo-Pacific countries on the development of technologies and their applications and technology-related regulations and policies.

**Core topics** of the 2025 EU-Indo-Pacific Digital Partnership Conference will be:

- Digital Policies
- Technologies for and applications of Artificial Intelligence
- Semiconductors
- Secure Internet of Things and applications
- Digital identities, Digital Product Passport, Trust Anchors in industry
- Innovation hubs to foster the application of digital technologies

## Agenda

Day 1 - 28 October 2025

### Digital Partnership Conference Singapore 2025

Day 1 October 28, 2025

10.00 – 13.00	<b>Innovation Convergence Lab: Where Technology Push Meets Market Pull</b>
10.30 – 11.30	Session #1 - Setting the scene and matchmaking
11.30 – 12.00	Coffee Break
12.00 – 13.00	Session #2 – Building projects together
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch Break
14.30 – 17.30	<b>Opening Public Session</b>
14.30 – 14.45	Welcome Remarks
14.45 – 15.00	Opening Remarks
15.00 – 15.30	Keynote Addresses
15.30 – 15.50	Building an AI-First Nation
15.50 – 16.10	Leading trustworthy AI globally: the EU approach
16.10 – 17.25	Panel Discussion: Connecting Digital Partnerships in the Indo-Pacific
17.25 – 17.30	Closing remarks

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### Innovation Convergence Lab: Where Technology Push Meets Market Pull

#### ROOM: WATERWAY

This intensive 2.5-hour co-creation workshop is designed to bridge the gap between cutting-edge technology and real-world market needs. Interdisciplinary teams of technology developers, policy experts, and industry leaders from Europe and the Indo-Pacific will tackle two critical challenges: AI for Sustainable Cities and Resilient Digital Infrastructure. Using proven Design Thinking methodologies, participants will move from exploration to concrete prototyping, creating tangible outputs that could shape the future of digital collaboration.

The session is a structured innovation lab where technology push meets market pull. Each round table will become a mini-incubator, fostering unexpected collaborations that could lead to pilot projects, joint research initiatives, or policy breakthroughs. Participants will be expected to leave with actionable blueprints, potential partnerships, and a clear follow-up roadmap. The workshop is limited to 100 participants across 10 collaborative tables. Secure your spot in this exclusive opportunity to co-create the digital future with leading experts from two of the world's most innovative regions.

- **10:00 - 10:30 Arrival and registrations**
- **10:30 - 11:30 Session #1 - Setting the scene and matchmaking**
  - **Warming-up introduction**
  - **Sleeping Beauties: Introduction to activities discovering sleeping (or dormant) digital technologies in Digital Infrastructure**  
Youngsoo Yoo, *The Institute of Information & Communications Technology Planning & Evaluation (IITP), South Korea*
  - **The EU Research collaboration framework: “10 min on Key priorities for 2026 workprogram”**
  - **Opportunities identification**

- **11:30 - 12:00 Coffee Break**
  
- **12:00 - 13:00 Session #2 – Building projects together**
  - **iHubs: a global network fostering co-creation**  
Dr. Alberto Abella, *FIWARE Foundation, Spain*
  - **Grouping along identified opportunities**
  - **Concepts refining**
  
- **13:00 - 14:30 Lunch**

Note: registered participants will be invited to join (non-mandatory) preparatory (10 October, 9:00-11:00 CET) and debriefing (28 November, 09:00-11:00 CET) sessions.

## Opening Public Session

### ROOM: AUDITORIUM

The 2025 International Digital Strategy for the European Union (EU) signals a decisive turn toward building a networked, value-driven digital order through a growing constellation of Digital Partnerships. These aim not only at advancing interoperable digital governance but also to foster multilateral innovation, strengthen competitiveness, and promote resilience in a rapidly evolving geopolitical and technological landscape. At the heart of this approach, the EU-Singapore Digital Partnership (EUSDP) serves as a key platform for piloting digital trust mechanisms, regulatory cooperation, and joint initiatives on topics ranging from Artificial intelligence (AI) to cross-border data flows. The recent EU-Singapore Digital Trade Agreement (EUSDTA) and the Administrative Arrangement (AA) on AI safety mark concrete achievements that reinforce the EU's ability to work with like-minded partners across the Indo-Pacific. As digital power becomes increasingly contested, the EU and its partners must navigate the tensions between openness and security, as well as between regulatory alignment and strategic autonomy.

Setting the scene for the EU-Indo-Pacific Digital Partnership Conference 2025, this opening panel brings together senior experts from the EU, Singapore, and other key Indo-Pacific countries to reflect on the EU's International Digital Strategy. What strategic opportunities can be leveraged to enhance joint competitiveness, security, and innovation? How can Digital Partnerships contribute to a more inclusive and rules-based digital order, while remaining agile amid growing geopolitical pressure and techno-nationalism? By focusing on both achievements and emerging obstacles, it will explore how the EU can operationalise its digital ambitions through trusted international cooperation and how Singapore and other Indo-Pacific partners can help shape this evolving multilateral digital ecosystem.

#### 14:30 - 14:45 Welcome Remarks

- **George Loh**, *Associate Vice President (Strategic Partnership), National University of Singapore*
- **Svetlana Klessova**, *Director, Research and Innovation Partnerships, G.A.C. Group, INPACE Project Coordinator*

#### 14:45 - 15:00 Opening Remarks

- **Sebastian Engell**, *Professor, TU Dortmund, INPACE Project*

#### 15:00 - 15:30 Keynote Addresses

- **H.E. Bertulis Artis**, *Ambassador-designate of the European Union to Singapore*

#### 15:30 - 15:50 Building an AI-First Nation

- **Laurence Liew**, *Director of AI Innovation, AI Singapore*

#### 15:50 - 16:10 Leading trustworthy AI globally: the EU approach

- **Valentina Ivanova**, *Deputy Director, CEA-List Institute, France*

**16:10 - 17:25 Panel Discussion: Connecting Digital Partnerships in the Indo-Pacific**

Moderator:

- **Eva Pejsova**, *Japan Chair, Centre for Security, Diplomacy and Strategy (CSDS), Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Belgium*

Speakers:

- **Benjamin Ang**, *Senior Fellow, Head of the Centre for National Security (CENS), S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU)*
- **Raluca Csernaton**, *Professor, Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB); Fellow, Carnegie Europe, Belgium*
- **Karthik Nachiappan**, *Research Fellow, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore*

**17:25 - 17:30 Closing remarks**

- **Shuzhi Sam Ge**, *National University of Singapore*

**17.30 – 18.30: Reception**



8.30 – 9.00				
9.00 – 10.45	<p><b>Closed-Door Policy Workshop:</b> AI Safety, Competitiveness, Regional Outreach</p> <p><b>CORIANDER</b></p>	<p><b>Taking 6G research collaboration between the EU and Singapore forward</b></p> <p><b>LAVENDER</b></p>	<p><b>Semiconductors:</b> Advanced Functionalities</p> <p><b>CLOVE</b></p> <p><b>Start at 8.30!</b></p>	<p><b>Human Centric and Sustainable Infrastructures for Resilience of Public Services</b></p> <p><b>LEMONGRASS</b></p>

## 9:00 - 10:45

- **Closed-Door Policy Workshop: AI Safety, Competitiveness, Regional Outreach**
- **Organisers:**
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  - Raluca Csernatoni, *Professor, Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB); Fellow, Carnegie Europe, Belgium*
- **Room: CORIANDER**
- **Summary:** Against the 2024 EU-Singapore Administrative Arrangement (AA) on AI Safety, this session explores how the EU’s risk-based AI Act and Singapore’s AI Verify toolbox, as well as the Global AI Assurance Sandbox for generative AI evaluations, can be integrated into collaborative “safety-by-design” pipelines. How can the AA underpin Horizon Europe opportunities, NUS and NTU-led testbeds, and industry sandboxes to align with the EU AI Act and Singapore’s AI Verify toolbox? Which joint research tracks, such as alignment methods, socio-technical risk indicators, and quantum-secure guardrails, should be prioritised? How can standardisation work and open tools accelerate the adoption of trusted and safe AI while preserving strategic autonomy? The second session reframes the EU’s Digital Partnership as a regional multiplier in line with the goal of the EU’s new International Digital Strategy. It aims to examine Singapore’s potential as a regional hub in promoting high-level data-protection and cybersecurity norms in ASEAN countries’ digital connectivity projects, by piloting interoperable data-protection standards, AI safety benchmarks, and SME compliance toolkits jointly with the EU. How can the EU-Singapore Digital Partnership become a “regional multiplier”? What are the opportunities and challenges in extending bilateral cooperation to ASEAN and beyond?

- **Agenda**

### 9:00 - 09:15 Welcome and Scene Setter

- **Chairs:**
  - Eva Pejsova, *Japan Chair, Centre for Security, Diplomacy and Strategy (CSDS), Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Belgium*
  - Raluca Csernatoni, *Professor, Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB); Fellow, Carnegie Europe, Belgium*
- **Input Remarks:** Benoit Sauveroche, *First Counsellor, Delegation of the European Union to Singapore*

**9:15 - 10:45 Session 1 | Safe and Trustworthy AI: Advancing Cooperation for Global Governance**

- **Chair:** Raluca Csernaton, *Professor, Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB); Fellow, Carnegie Europe, Belgium*
- **Input Remarks:**
  - Antonio Calcara, *Centre for Security, Diplomacy, and Strategy (CSDS), Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Belgium*
  - Lam Kwok Yan, *Digital Trust Centre (DTC), Strategic Centre for Research in Privacy-preserving Technologies & Systems (SCRIPTS), Singapore AI Safety Institute, Singapore*
  - Chung Sang Hao, *Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA), Singapore*

**9:00 - 10:45**

- **Taking 6G research collaboration between the EU and Singapore forward**
  - **Organiser:** Adam Kapovits, *Eurescom, Germany*
  - **Room:** LAVENDER
  - **Summary:** This session will look at current 6G research activities in Europe and in Singapore, and is expected to identify shared interests and opportunities for potential collaboration.
  - **Speakers :**
    - **Adam Kapovits**, *Eurescom GmbH, Germany*
    - **Prof. Tony Quek**, *Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), Singapore*
    - **Dr. Francois Chin**, *A\*STAR, Singapore*
    - **Prof Chan Mun Choon**, *National University of Singapore*

**8:30 - 10:45**

- **Semiconductors: Advanced Functionalities**
  - **Organiser:** Francis Balestra, *SiNANO Institute, France*
  - **Room :** CLOVE
  - **Summary:** Advanced functionalities in electronic systems, covering Smart Sensing, Power Electronics, Energy Harvesting for autonomous systems, and semiconductor-based photonics.
  - **Agenda**
    - **Semiconductor Flat Optics**
      - Son Tung Ha, *IMRE, A\*STAR, Singapore*
    - **Design of ultra low-power circuits and systems for distributed sensing and ubiquitous computing**
      - Massimo Alioto, *National University of Singapore*
    - **Development of Smart Sensor Systems for Sustainable Agri-Good and the Environment**
      - Alan O’Riordan, *Tyndall National Institute, Ireland*

- **Artificial Sensory Neuron for In-Sensor Spiking Neural Network**
  - Joon-Kyu Han, *Seoul National University, South Korea*
- **ZnO thin film and nanowires for piezoelectric energy transducer applications**
  - Gustavo Ardila, *University Grenoble-Alpes, France*
- **On-Device AI Sensors: Gaussian Transistors and Light-Driven Spikes for Deepfake Detection and Forest Fire Monitoring**
  - Hocheon Yoo, *Hanyang University, South Korea*

**9:00 - 10:45**

- **Human centric and sustainable infrastructures for resilience of public services**
  - **Organiser:** Franck Le Gall, *EGM, France*
  - **Room:** LEMONGRASS
  
- **Summary:** This session explores how digital technologies and data-driven innovation can help cities and nations reach their net zero carbon ambitions while improving quality of life. The session will examine examples of green digital infrastructure, federated local digital twins, identities management and urban service innovations from Europe and the Indo-Pacific.
  
- **Agenda**
  - **Data Interoperability in Public Services**  
Franck Le Gall, *ETSI TC Data vice chair, France*
  - **Trends and International Standardisation of Carbon-Neutral Cities**  
Jiyoon Song, *Korea Environment Institute, South Korea*
  - **Cross-domains platform for energy and water management at scale**  
Dr. Alberto Abella, *FIWARE Foundation, Spain*

**10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break**

<p>11.15 – 12.45</p>	<p>Closed-Door Policy Workshop: AI Safety, Competitiveness, Regional Outreach</p> <p>CORIANDER</p>	<p>AI in Education</p> <p>LAVENDER</p>	<p>11.15 - 11.55 Semiconductors: Advanced Functionalities Part 2</p> <p>12.00 - 12.40 Semiconductors: Advanced Packaging and Heterogeneous Integration</p> <p>CLOVE</p>	<p>Secure Cloud-Edge-IoT Continuum and Protection of Infrastructures</p> <p>LEMONGRASS</p>
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- **Room: CORIANDER**
- **Agenda**

#### 11:15 - 12:30 Session 2 | Revisiting Priorities: The EUSDP as a Regional Multiplier

- **Chair:** Eva Pejsova, *Japan Chair, Centre for Security, Diplomacy and Strategy (CSDS), Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), Belgium*
- **Input Remarks:**
  - Farlina Said, *Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS), Malaysia*
  - Raluca Csernaton, *Brussels School of Governance (BSoG), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB); Carnegie Europe, Belgium*
  - Jose Miguelito Enriquez, *Centre for Multilateralism Studies, RSIS, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore*
  - Karthik Nachiappan, *Institute of South Asian Studies (ISAS), National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore*

**11:15 - 12:45**

- **AI in Education: Opportunities for Collaboration**
  - **Organiser:** Karolina Gyurovszka, *Martel Innovate, Switzerland*
  - **Room:** LAVENDER
  - **Summary:** This session will delve into the transformative impact of Artificial Intelligence on research and educational landscapes, with a specific focus on the crucial area of AI skills development. It will present the key findings from our comprehensive survey on AI skills, conducted across Europe, Japan, India, South Korea, and Singapore. These results offer a unique insight into regional strengths, challenges, and emerging needs in the AI talent pipeline. This session is a must for educators, policymakers, industry leaders, and anyone invested in the future of AI and learning.
  - **Speakers**
    - **Edmund Lim**, *Singapore Education Network, Singapore*
    - **Caterina Bortolaso**, *DIGITAL SME, Belgium*
    - **Prof. Natalya Shakhovska**, *Lviv Polytechnic National University, Ukraine*
    - **Prof. Ben Leong**, *National University of Singapore*

**11:15 - 11:55**

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  - **Summary:** Advanced functionalities in electronic systems, covering Smart Sensing, Power Electronics, Energy Harvesting for autonomous systems, and semiconductor-based photonics.
  - **Agenda**
    - **Gas sensors for health management using IoT devices**  
Ken Uchida, *Tokyo University, Japan*

**12:00 - 12:40**

- **Semiconductors: Advanced Packaging and Heterogeneous Integration**
  - **Organiser:** Francis Balestra, *SiNANO Institute, France*
  - **Room:** CLOVE
  - **Summary:** Advanced packaging and heterogeneous integration for high performance, low power, low latency, miniaturisation, integration of new functionalities, and lower cost of electronic systems.
  - **Agenda**
    - **Wafer-scale photonics heterogeneous integration (PHI) platform towards 400G/lane optical transceiver**  
Xianshu Luo, *A\*STAR, Singapore*
    - **Advanced packaging and heterogenous integration**  
Mitsu Koyanagi, *Tohoku University, Japan*

11:15 - 12:45

- **Secure Cloud-Edge-IoT Continuum and Protection of Infrastructures**
  - **Organiser:** Monique Calisti, *Martel Innovate, Digital for Planet, Switzerland*
  - **Room:** LEMONGRASS
  
- **Summary:** This session will address the critical security challenges emerging from the convergence of Cloud, Edge, and IoT technologies – the “smart continuum” – and their role for digital infrastructure protection. As digital services become more distributed, ensuring end-to-end security, data privacy, and resilience is paramount for building trust.
  
- **Agenda**
  - **High-Efficient Batteries for Critical Infrastructure Protection: Femtosecond Laser Nanostructuring**  
Prof. Iaroslav Gnilitskyi, *Lviv Polytechnic National University, Ukraine*
  - **Getting IoT Standards to Interwork**  
Prof. Jaeseung Song, *Sejong University, South Korea*
  - **Resilient Autonomous Driving Perception**  
Prof. Rui Tan, *Nanyang Technological University, Singapore*

12:45 - 13:30 Lunch break

<p><b>13.30 – 15.30</b></p>	<p><b>Trusted Cross-Regional Data Transactions</b></p> <p><b>LEMONGRASS</b></p>	<p><b>Development of Safe AI Solutions</b></p> <p><b>LAVENDER</b></p>	<p><b>13.30 – 14.30 Semiconductors: Manufacturing, Supply Chains and International Cooperation</b></p> <p><b>14.30 - 15.30 Semiconductors: New Materials and Emerging Memories</b></p> <p><b>CLOVE</b></p>	<p><b>Innovation Hubs to Foster the Application of Digital Technologies</b></p> <p><b>CORIANDER</b></p>
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## 13:30 - 15:30

- **Trusted Cross-Regional Data Transactions**

- **Organiser:** Antonis Ramfos, *Athens Technology Center, Greece*
- **Room:** LEMONGRASS

- **Summary:** Trust is the foundation of the digital economy. As governments, businesses, and citizens increasingly interact across borders, ensuring secure, transparent, and reliable data transactions has become a strategic priority for both the EU and Indo-Pacific partners. By bringing together perspectives from policymakers, industry leaders, researchers, and innovators, the session will highlight key enablers, ongoing initiatives and regulatory approaches for interoperable and ethical data infrastructure in Europe and the Indo-Pacific, discuss challenges to data interoperability and trust, and identify opportunities for collaboration. The discussion will underline the role of Digital Product Passport as a key enabler for secured and interoperable data transactions as well as enabling innovation, competitiveness, and sustainable growth.

- **Agenda**

- **The Value of Trust in Data Monetisation**  
Richard Stevens, *IDC, Italy*
- **Beyond Barcode: Integrating with FIWARE's Open DPP Framework for Global EU and UN Interoperability**  
Suna Akbayir, *Artech International, Belgium*
- **Standardization of the EUDI Wallet**  
Sebastian Elfors, *IDnow Trust Services, Sweden*
- **Synthetic Data with Differential Privacy: Building Trust for Cross-Regional Data Transactions**  
Xiaokui Xiao, *National University of Singapore*
- **Building Bridges with Standards: Namirial's Standardization Work in Cyber Resilience, Digital Wallets, and Trusted Ecosystems**  
Filippo Giachi, *Namirial, Singapore*

13:30 - 15:30

- **Development of Safe AI Solutions**

- **Organisers:**

- Marc Zeller, *Siemens Mobility, Germany*
- Sebastian Engell, *TU Dortmund, Germany*

- **Room: LAVENDER**

- **Summary:** In many domains, as e.g. mobility (autonomous driving, driverless trains), health care, operation of production plants or of the power grid, the safety of AI-based solutions is a prime concern. The session will start with an overview of the aspects that have to be covered in the development process of safe AI solutions and then discuss specific methods and applications in different domains. At the end there will be a round-table discussion on streamlining approaches between Europe and the Indo-Pacific and perspectives for collaboration.

- **Agenda**

- **Assuring Safety of AI-based Systems: Overview and Lessons Learned in the Railway Domain**  
Marc Zeller, *Siemens Mobility, Germany*
- **Stable AI for Autonomous Vehicles**  
Shuzhi Sam Ge, *National University of Singapore*
- **Beyond Accuracy: Robustness and Explainability for Industrial AI under Dynamic Conditions**  
Gianluca Manca, *Ruhr University Bochum, Germany*
- **Evaluating and Hardening Large Language Models**  
Yong Liu, *A\*STAR, Singapore*
- **AI for Early Detection of Mental Impairment in Children**  
Ramesh Naidu Laveti, *Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), India*

13:30 - 14:30

- **Semiconductors: Manufacturing, Supply Chains and International Cooperation**

- **Organiser:** Francis Balestra, *SiNANO Institute, France*
- **Room: CLOVE**

- **Summary:** Manufacturing and Supply chains in the Semiconductor Industry, including green materials for sustainable electronics and International Cooperation to strengthen the economic resilience.

- **Agenda**

- **Supply and Value Chains & International Cooperation between Europe and Indo-Pacific**  
Francis Balestra, *SiNANO Institute, France*
- **Forging a Collaborative Future: Europe-Indo-Pacific Partnership in Heterogeneous Semiconductor Packaging with Photonics**  
Shankara Prasad, *IIT Guwahati, India*

14:30 - 15:30

- **Semiconductors: New Materials and Emerging Memories**
  - **Organiser:** Francis Balestra, *SiNANO Institute, France*
  - **Room: CLOVE**
- **Summary:** New materials and Emerging memories, covering nanomaterials for various applications and emerging nanotechnologies and nanodevices.
- **Agenda**
  - **Modeling Framework for 2D-material FETs aimed at Sensing, Neuromorphic, and Secure Electronics**  
Sheikh Aamir Ahsan, *National Institute of Technology Srinagar, India*
  - **Nanotechnologies and Nanomaterials for Electronic and Photonic Applications**  
Tay Beng Kang, *NTU, Singapore*
  - **Numerical Simulations of 2D Material-Metal Heterojunctions for Atomristors**  
Alessandro Cresti, *CNRS, France*

13:30 - 15:30

- **Innovation Hubs to Foster the Application of Digital Technologies**
  - **Organiser:** Vit Dockal, *Czech Technical University & International Neurodegenerative Disorders Research Center, CLARA, Czech Republic*
  - **Room: CORIANDER**
- **Summary:** This session will explore how Innovation Hubs accelerate the uptake of digital technologies by offering access to expertise, testing facilities, funding, and training. Speakers will demonstrate how these hubs drive collaboration, skills development, and ecosystem growth, enabling SMEs and public organisations to adopt innovative solutions with reduced risk. The discussion will highlight their role in advancing digital transformation, competitiveness, and sustainability.
- **Agenda**
  - **EIT, Testing and Experimentation Facilities (TEFs), and Best Practice Projects**  
Valentina Ivanova, *CEA-List Institute, France*
  - **European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIHs) and Innovation Cohesion in the EU**  
Anna Tahovská, *Czech Institute of Informatics, Robotics and Cybernetics, Czech Technical University in Prague (CIIRC CTU), Czech Republic*
  - **Innovation Hubs in India: Driving Digital Transformation**  
Senthilmurugan Subbiah, *IIT Guwahati, India*
  - **Digital Industry & Digital Trust**  
Dr. S. D. Sudarsan, *Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), India*

**15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break**

**16:00 - 16:45**

- **Information on EU Research and Innovation Funding**
  - **Room: CORIANDER**
  - **Summary:** This 45-minute session will provide an overview of European funding opportunities for research and innovation. The presentation will cover the Horizon Europe and EUREKA programs, highlighting their goals, funding schemes, and opportunities for collaboration. The session will also outline key eligibility criteria and the main application processes to help participants navigate these programs effectively. It will conclude with a Q&A, offering participants the chance to discuss specific questions and explore how to best engage with these funding instruments.
  - **Speakers**
    - Dr. Monique Calisti, *Martel Innovate, Digital for Planet, Switzerland*
    - Adam Kapovits, *Eurescom, Germany*
    - Dr. Svetlana Klessova, *G.A.C. Group, France*
    - Zi Yan Koe, *Enterprise Singapore*

**16:45 - 17:15**

- **Closing Ceremony**
- **Room: CORIANDER**

**17:15 - 18:30**

- **Reception**