

**ANNEX – Key Events and Panellists**



**Mr Tan Kok Yam**

**Chief Executive**



**SkillsFuture Singapore**


Mr Tan Kok Yam joined SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG) in November 2021 as its Chief Executive. He leads the organisation to drive and implement the national SkillsFuture movement. To this end, SSG strives to promote a culture of lifelong learning, build a support system to enable the pursuit of skills mastery, and raise the quality of adult education and training in Singapore.


Prior to Nov 2021, Mr Tan was the Deputy Secretary of the Smart Nation and Digital Government Office. In this role, he established plans to realise impactful projects for Smart Nation, and developed policies and initiatives for the public sector to improve its use of data and IT to serve citizens better. Mr Tan also held a concurrent Deputy Secretary in Strategy Group overseeing issues related to climate change.

Mr Tan had also served in a number of other Ministries within the Singapore Public Service. He was the Director of Manpower in the Ministry of Defence, overseeing the human resource and national service policies of the Singapore Armed Forces. He also served previously in the Ministry of National Development and the Ministry of Education, dealing with public housing and higher education policies respectively.

Mr Tan is an engineer by training, having graduated from the University College London in 1997 with a Bachelor in Electrical and Electronic Engineering and a

	<p>Master of Science in Telecommunications. He also completed the 1-year Sloan Program at the Stanford Graduate School of Business as a Fulbright Scholar.</p>
	<p><b>Mr Joseph Wong</b>  <b>Managing Director</b>  <b>Cragar Industries</b></p> <p>Joseph Wong is a transformative leader in driving business growth, transformation, and sustainability and technology, bridging the gap between strategy and execution. As a seasoned executive with nearly 40 years of practical experience, his career spans across multiple industries including private education sectors, precision engineering industry, biomedical manufacturing sectors, construction industry, etc. His expertise includes change management, digital transformation, and sustainable manufacturing through industry 4.0 adoption.</p> <p>Joseph has diverse accomplishments, including mentoring startups, and leading initiatives to support workforce transformation. With extensive experience working with senior stakeholders, he excels in people development, change management, and innovation. A passionate advocate for lifelong learning, he provides guidance on navigating the future of work and is dedicated in helping professionals develop the skills and strategies needed to thrive in an ever-changing business landscape.</p>
	<p><b>Mr Sagar Goel</b>  <b>Managing Director and Partner</b>  <b>Boston Consulting Group</b></p> <p>Sagar Goel is a Managing Director and Partner at Boston Consulting Group and leads the firm's work in digital reskilling and workforce development. He is the</p>

	<p>Global Insights Lead at BCG Henderson Institute (BCG's strategy think tank) on People &amp; Organization topics.</p> <p>He writes and speaks actively on the topic of "Reskilling in the age of AI", and how the government, industry, academia, and the workforce must come together to solve the global skills crisis. He is a TED speaker and has multiple marquee publications on talent and skills, including the latest one in HBR magazine front cover, that won the HBR Best article award in 2023.</p>
	<p><b>Ms Ong Chin Yin</b>  <b>Chief People Officer</b>  <b>Grab</b></p> <p>Chin Yin is the Chief People Officer at Grab, and a member of Grab's Board of Directors. She leads our global People (people operations), Places (corporate real estate), Security (corporate security) and Systems (employee technology solutions) teams, where she is responsible for overseeing and designing physical, human and digital experiences to empower all Grabbers to thrive.</p> <p>Since joining Grab in 2015, Chin Yin has built up multiple teams from scratch and drove the hypergrowth of the company through expanding teams, launching new businesses and constantly evolving the culture. She and the People team at Grab has won multiple awards such as Best Places to Work For 2020, Top 50 HR Leaders in Asia 2024 amongst others. She has also been recognized by IHRP as a HR Master Professional since 2018.</p> <p>Chin Yin comes with more than 25 years of experience that spans across Sales &amp; Marketing and Human Resources in both FMCG (Yum Brands) and Hi-Tech</p>

	<p>industries (Hyperion, F5 Networks, Orange, DXC). She has led numerous transformative programmes across organisational design and development, rewards, talent acquisition, talent management and industrial relations in Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa.</p> <p>In addition to her role at Grab, Chin Yin serves as a Board Member at Workforce Singapore and the Human Capital Leadership Institute as well as an advisor to venture capital funds as well as tech companies. She also gives back to the community where she can, serving as a Human Resource Committee Member at Assisi Hospice and mentor at the Young Women's Leadership Connection.</p>
	<p><b>Mr Jeremy Au Yong</b>  <b>Associate Editor (Newsroom Strategy)</b>  <b>The Straits Times</b></p> <p>Jeremy Au Yong oversees newsroom strategy in The Straits Times, which includes working on planning, innovation as well as workflow improvement across the different parts of the publication. His work covers ST's AI strategy and experiments with new AI tools in the newsroom. He has been a journalist for 20 years and has worked across the various sections of the newsroom. His previous roles include foreign editor, lifestyle editor, mobile editor and US bureau chief.</p>

## LIST OF KEY SKILLSFUTURE FESTIVAL 2025 EVENTS

### For Individuals/Working adults

<p><b>SkillsFuture Festival Professional Series</b></p> <p>7 July- 18 August</p>	<p>The SkillsFuture Festival Professional Series aims to boost individual employability through webinars and workshops focused on in-demand skills.</p>
<p><b>SkillsFuture Roadshows</b></p> <p>10-13 July, 12-15 August</p>	<p>The two roadshows will feature information on in-demand jobs and skills in growth sectors, jobs and training opportunities, as well as SkillsFuture initiatives to help Singaporeans upskill, such as the SkillsFuture Level-Up Programme, and Training Allowance. Participants can also approach the Skills Ambassadors and Career Coaches on-site to receive personalised Skills and Training Advisory as well as career guidance.</p>
<p><b>SkillsFuture Festival x NUS 2025: FutureWork</b></p> <p>12 July</p>	<p>Organised by National University of Singapore (NUS) and supported by the autonomous universities, polytechnics and ITE, this event will feature a range of learning workshops and exhibition booths. Participants will also be able to explore the range of courses eligible for the SkillsFuture Credit and SkillsFuture Level-Up Programme.</p>
<p><b>CDCs @ SkillsFuture Festival</b></p> <p>16 July-16 August</p>	<p>The five Community Development Councils (CDC) have organised a series of roadshows for residents in the heartlands. Residents will be able to engage in learning activities, as well as explore jobs and skills opportunities in the Care, Digital and Green economies.</p>
<p><b>Skills Ignited: The AI Digital Security Roadshow</b></p> <p>17-20 July</p>	<p>Organised in partnership with Microsoft, the roadshow promotes training and career opportunities in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Digital Security to help individuals and businesses stay competitive in a fast-evolving digital landscape. Individuals and employers will have</p>

	<p>the opportunity to engage directly with training partners to explore upskilling pathways in AI and digital security, speak with solution providers about adopting technologies that enhance efficiency and productivity, and discover over 500 career opportunities available within the Tech sector.</p>
<p><b>Unlocking Opportunities in Cybersecurity</b> 18-19 July</p>	<p>Organised in partnership with Cyber Security Agency of Singapore and CyberSG TIG Collaboration Centre, this event aims to promote jobs and training opportunities in the Cybersecurity sector. Participants will be able to explore showcases, training opportunities by training providers, and job opportunities by Cybersecurity sector employers.</p>
<p><b>Care Economy Jobs &amp; Skills Fair</b> 25 – 27 July</p>	<p>The roadshow aims to promote jobs and training opportunities in the Healthcare, Early Childhood and Community Care sectors. Participants will be able to explore showcases, training opportunities by training providers, and job opportunities by Healthcare, Early Childhood and Community Care sector employers.</p>
<p><b>My Career Health Matters: SSG x WSG Jobs &amp; Skills Roadshow</b> 31 July-3 August</p>	<p>Jointly organised by SSG and Workforce Singapore (WSG), this roadshow will feature information on in-demand jobs and skills, jobs transformation and career pathways, as well as initiatives from SSG and WSG to support your training and career needs. Jobseekers can also attend walk-in interviews with potential employers, receive personalised Skills and Training Advisory, and speak to training providers on suitable training programmes.</p>

**For Students**

<p><b>SkillsFuture Work-Study Fair</b></p> <p>28 July</p>	<p>This year's fair is organised by Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP), in collaboration with other Polytechnics and ITE. Themed "Empowering Careers, Bridging Education and Industry", it aims to connect fresh graduates with industry partners and participating employers for potential career opportunities.</p>
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**For Enterprises**

<p><b>SkillsFuture Festival Enterprise Series</b></p> <p>7 July- 18 August</p>	<p>Targeted at enterprises looking to upskill their workforce and develop their business capabilities, the Series will comprise of masterclasses, seminars and networking sessions on growth opportunities in the Care, Digital and Green economies. This Series will be conducted by SkillsFuture Queen Bee partners, enterprises, and training providers.</p>
<p><b>SkillsFuture Human Capital Conference</b></p> <p>18 August</p>	<p>The SkillsFuture Human Capital Conference, organised by the Singapore Business Federation (SBF) and NACE Centre @ Singapore Polytechnic (SP), with support from SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG) and Lifelong Learning Singapore (LLSG), aims to engage enterprises, particularly SMEs, in recognising the value of upskilling and tapping into relevant SkillsFuture initiatives to meet evolving business needs. As the closing event of SkillsFuture Festival 2025, the conference also highlights the importance of nurturing career health within the workforce, encouraging employers to build future-ready teams by supporting continuous learning, adaptability and long-term employability.</p>