

International Women's Day – International Trade Council Board Woman of the Year Award

The International Trade Council, in conjunction with International Women's Day, is very pleased to be presenting, Ms. Ranjani Rangan, a highly accomplished Singaporean Professional, the ITC Board Woman of the Year 2022 award.



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Ranjani is a multi-talented, well-respected woman of substance who wears many different hats in her

daily life and is able to carry each one of them with admirable aplomb.

Professionally, Ranjani is an outstanding leader within the community and is a Senior Board Professional, Speaker, Trainer, and AML expert. A seasoned MBA professional and finance expert with a 25+ year track record as operator and advisor on a number of growth and restructuring initiatives. She has operating experiences and expertise in Banking, Money Services Business, Travel Services, Corporate Secretarial, Accounting, and Training Companies gained from working for top global public and private companies. Having lived and worked in 3 continents (the USA, UK, and Singapore) across the world, Ranjani is able to collaborate effectively across borders and cultures to unlock optimal value for her clients.

She is currently the Executive Director of Changi Travel Exchange (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Changi Travel Services and the Changi Airport Group) and is approved by the Monetary Authority of Singapore to head a Financial Institution given her excellent background in AML/CTF. A stellar leader who excels in her role through unique innovations, Ranjani heads the entire Payments function for the organization under the Changi Recommends Brand and strives to bring one-stop offerings to travelers through her payment offerings. A strong believer of Corporate Social Responsibility, Ranjani led the organization's initiative in helping the Migrant Worker Community to send money back to their families digitally during the Covid-19 lockdown period. In addition, she organized retail bazaars onsite at the dorms so as to ensure that the essential needs of the workers were taken care of. Her tireless efforts were covered in the local papers and she was also praised by the local regulator for her timely help.

Ranjani is also a director at Olimea Advisory, a firm committed to helping clients make informed decisions about their business expansion plans (strategy and on-the-ground execution) to Singapore. Under her leadership, the companies that she has assisted have grown successfully not just in Singapore but around the world as well. Given her experience, Ranjani is regularly invited to serve on reputed boards where she provides strategic guidance for the organization's growth as their director. The Global boards that she serves on include Multinational Corporates within the Fintech, Global Human Resource, and Financing industries. She is also asked to speak as an SME and AML/CTF expert in local and overseas conferences as well as to the local media's info-ed programs.

Ranjani's passion for giving back to the community has allowed her to helm the International Trade Council as the Honorary Chairperson for the Singapore Chapter where she is focused on promoting and enabling cross-border trade between Singapore and the rest of the world. In this capacity, she works closely with Chambers, Embassies, and Corporates to add value to the Council members to facilitate networking sessions, trade missions and also assisted them with business mentoring initiatives. She has also been regularly invited as a judge and as a speaker for several pitch competitions or conferences and has been very generous with her knowledge sharing to help deserving member companies succeed. One cause that is especially close to her heart is in shaping more future women leaders and especially getting them into reputed board positions. She also regularly engages in pro-bono SME advisory initiatives in collaboration with NGOs in Singapore to help struggling organizations get back on their feet. Her willingness to help the council not just in Singapore but across the globe for any help that requires her expertise has been a huge asset for the Council Team.

Her other community roles include being a grassroots leader for the People's Association in Singapore and are especially focussed on bettering the lives of minority Singaporeans through her role as a Vice-Chair at the Indian Activity Council, Queenstown CC as well as being a key member of the Minority Taskforce. An accomplished Indian Arts Professional where her love and passion over the years has enabled her to give back as a Dancer, Judge, Emcee, Teacher among others has paved the way for her to contribute back as a board member to reputed arts organizations in Singapore. This includes being

the current Chairperson for Community and Integration Initiatives at the Singapore Indian Fine Arts Society and a Director at the Singapore Indian Orchestra and Choir where she plays an active role in promoting the Indian Arts using her Arts and professional experience.

A cause that Ranjani truly believes in is helping women in distress having suffered a major personal setback in her life. She has since made it her life mission to help fellow women in similar situations and has worked with organizations such as the Financial Women's Network, Project Smile and has also served on the board of Club2Care, an organization that has been set up specifically to address this. On the personal front, Ranjani is married to a wonderful partner who backs her in everything she does and is a mother to 2 beautiful teenage daughters aged 18 and 16.

"Ranjani strongly believes that without the blessings of the Almighty, her parents and her extended family, the support of her husband and kids, the encouragement of all her bosses, colleagues, friends over the years, all of whom who have played a critical role in shaping her at different stages of her life, she would not have been able to don the several hats that she wears today. She humbly thanks the International Trade Council for this very special recognition and hopes to continue to make a difference to all around her as long as her health permits".

The International Trade Council is indeed very proud and pleased to present the ITC's Board Woman of the Year 2022 Award to Ranjani Rangan, a woman of several talents, a woman who continues to break her own glass ceilings, and a woman who is indeed a true inspiration and a role model to aspiring young ladies on how anything in life can be achieved with sincerity, perseverance, dedication, and hard work. We congratulate her for this much-deserved recognition and wish her continued success in all her endeavors.

About the Council

The International Trade Council is a non-profit, non-aligned, peak body chamber of commerce. Since 1956, the International Trade Council has been the premier supranational platform for networking. The International Trade Council is owned by, and works for, a network of Government Trade and Investment Agencies, Chambers of Commerce, Industry Associations, Corporations, Entrepreneurs, and Investors around the world.

The Council's direct reach includes more than 79 government trade and investment agencies, 418 chambers of commerce, 29000 businesses, 13000 investors, and 2.4 million newsletter subscribers in 176 countries. Together with the council's network of constituent chambers of commerce, industry associations, and business collectives, the Council's reach exceeds 40 million organizations worldwide.

The Council's global headquarters are complemented by a network of local chapter offices in 17 countries. Working together, the council is united by a common purpose; to enhance collective capabilities and organizational strengths and to bring influential companies and leaders together.

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