

The 2025 Fudan University-Singapore Management University Forum Set to Launch in Shanghai




2025 Fudan University- Singapore Management University Forum on AI, Digital Governance & Sustainable Societies

Co-organizers: Fudan University; Singapore Management University

Co-organizers: College of Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence, Fudan University

Co-organizers: School of Economics, Fudan University

Time: 13:00-17:00, September 29, 2025

Venue: Wu Wenzheng Auditorium, Level 2, Guanghua Building, Fudan University, Shanghai, China

13:00-13:30 Registration

13:30-13:35 Welcome



Xin Peng
Vice Dean, College of Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence (ACSI), Fudan University

13:35-13:40 Opening Address by Vice President of Fudan University



Zhimin Chen
Vice President, Fudan University

13:40-13:45 Opening Address by President of Singapore Management University



Lily Keng
President, Singapore Management University

13:45-14:00 Keynote Address 1: Social Mobility in Ancient Empires and the Digital Age - Reimagining History and Contemporary Society through AI for the Social Sciences and Humanities (AI4SSH)



Xiaoming Fu
IEEE Fellow, Member of Academia Sinica
Member of National Academy of Science and Engineering (Germany)
Chair Professor of Computer Science, Institute of Computer Science, University of Goettingen, Chair Science, Social Intelligence Research Centre, Fudan University

14:00-14:15 Keynote Address 2: Collaborative Intelligence & Tokenized Economy for Sustainable Digital Future



Felix Zhu
Agata More Chair Professor, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Associate Dean (Partnership & Engagement), School of Computing and Information Systems, Singapore Management University

14:15-14:30 Keynote Address 3: Regulating for AI Legitimacy



Hind Almot
Associate Professor of Law, Co-Director of Program on Law & Innovation, School of Transnational Law, Peking University
Senior Research Affiliate, Center for Digital Law, Singapore Management University

14:30-14:45 Keynote Address 4: China's Population Ageing and Digital-Intelligent Elderly Care



Heng Li
Professor, Fudan Institute on Ageing, Fudan University
Secretary General of the Shanghai Population Association

14:45-15:00 Intermission with tea-break

15:00-15:50 Panel Discussion 1: AI's Governance: Co-Evolution, Tensions, and Synergies for Social Good

Moderator:



Felix Zhu
Agata More Chair Professor, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Associate Dean (Partnership & Engagement), School of Computing and Information Systems, Singapore Management University

Panelists:



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Jingling Zhu
Distinguished Professor, College of Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence, Fudan University
Chair Science, BICIS (China)



Gael Lee
Professor, School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University
Vice President, Shanghai Big Data Social Applications Research Association



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15:50-16:40 Panel Discussion 2: Why AI-Ready Leadership Matters: Rethinking Business, Talent, and Value Creation

Moderator:



Yu Lin
Associate Professor, School of Economics, Fudan University
SMU-ECU DBA (Tash) Academic Director Designate

Panelists:



Zhou Chen
Professor and Vice Dean, School of Economics, Fudan University



Keng Looi Kien
Lim Keng Looi Professor of Information Systems, School of Computing and Information Systems, Singapore Management University



Sandy Jin
Founder and CEO, Vland Live



Hanyang Li
Founder and CEO, Nonsolaki, Co-Founder, Ranzara

16:40-16:50 Memorandum of Agreement Signing Ceremony



Lily Keng
President, Singapore Management University



Zhimin Chen
President, Fudan University

16:50-16:55 Signing

16:55-17:00 Closing and Group Photo

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Shanghai, China Sep 26, 2025 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - As the capabilities and reach of AI grow, it is increasingly a societal force that is shaping how we live, work and govern. Now more than just a technological frontier, the rise of AI has brought about opportunities and challenges that demand robust governance frameworks that ensure safety, fairness, accountability, transparency, and ethical use. Besides regulation, the innovation of AI also requires the harnessing of collective knowledge, shared data and open collaboration between stakeholders across sectors and disciplines. Together, AI must be developed and applied in ways that ensure responsibility, inclusion and long-term societal impact – helping to advance sustainable development and build resilient societies. This imperative requires global platforms and mechanisms that build trust and align incentives among governments, industry, academia and the larger society.

Against this backdrop, Fudan University (FDU) and Singapore Management University (SMU) will jointly organise the “2025 FDU-SMU Forum on AI, Digital Governance and Sustainable Societies” on 29 September, 2025, at Fudan University, Shanghai, China, as an interdisciplinary and cross-border dialogue at the intersection of AI, digital governance, and sustainable development. Through keynote addresses and panels, the Forum will bring together leading scholars and practitioners to explore the frontiers of AI for digital inclusion, ageing and computational social science, and technology-driven business innovation that supports resilience in the AI era. Both universities will leverage the Forum to generate insights for impactful research collaborations, strengthen cooperation across regions and sectors, and chart pathways towards a more inclusive digital future.

The Forum will commence with opening addresses by Professor CHEN Zhimin, Vice President of FDU, and Professor Lily KONG, President of SMU. Following their remarks, a series of four distinguished keynote presentations will offer diverse perspectives on the Forum’s central themes. Professor FU Xiaoming, IEEE Fellow and Member of Academia Europaea; *Chair Professor of Computer Science, Institute of Computer Science, University of Goettingen*, will examine “Social Mobility in Ancient Empires and the Digital Age” through a historical lens. Associate Professor ZHU Feida, Associate Dean of SMU’s School of Computing and Information Systems and Aptos Move Chair Professor, will explore innovative pathways for “Collaborative Intelligence & Tokenised Economy for Sustainable Digital Future”. Associate Professor Gilad ABIRI from Peking University’s School of Transnational Law will delve into the legal framework for “Regulating for AI Legitimacy”, and Professor LI Qiang from FDU’s Institute on Ageing will provide an in-depth analysis of the real-world challenges of “China’s Ageing Population and Digital-Intelligent Elderly Care”, drawing on contemporary practices in China.

The second half of the Forum is dedicated to fostering cross-sector dialogue through two dynamic panel discussions. The first, “AI x Governance: Co-Evolution, Tensions, and Synergies for Social Good,” aims to dissect the complex interplay between AI’s technological trajectory and our systems of social governance. The focus then shifts from governance to industry with the second panel, “Why AI-Ready Leadership Matters: Rethinking Business, Talent, and Value Creation.” This session will bring together economists, computer scientists, and renowned entrepreneurs to collectively explore the profound shifts in business paradigms and the necessary reimagining of leadership driven by technological innovation.

The Forum will culminate with the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement by Professor JIN Li, President of FDU, and Professor Lily KONG, President of SMU to elevate our longstanding ties to strategic level. The centerpiece of the strategic partnership will be a pioneering interdisciplinary joint

research programme on Digital Technology and Society, jointly anchored by a virtual global research hub hosted by SMU and a physical laboratory on FDU's campus. This initiative will integrate research, education and community engagement across regions to develop knowledge and solutions to address pressing societal challenges at the intersections of AI, digital governance and urban sustainability.

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