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AmCham Singapore launches white paper to map out its next 50 years

'The Future of AmCham in Singapore' white paper spells out a comprehensive and inclusive plan for the largest foreign business chamber in the region

June 14, 2023, SINGAPORE - The American Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (AmCham Singapore) hosted a Balestier Series event with Minister for Trade and Industry Mr. Gan Kim Yong yesterday (June 13, 2023) as part of the year-long celebration of its 50th Anniversary.

The Balestier Series hosts distinguished Singaporean leaders who address AmCham members on subjects of significance. Launched in 2014, AmCham's Balestier Series celebrates two centuries of economic and commercial exchange between Singapore and the United States. The Series is named after Joseph Balestier, the first consul to Singapore for the United States who served from 1837 to 1852.

During the event, AmCham Singapore Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Hsien-Hsien Lei 雷闲闲, launched 'The Future of AmCham in Singapore' white paper.

In her presentation, Dr. Lei spoke to the need to recognize, celebrate, and amplify the contributions of the American business community to Singapore and the region's economic progress and strengths.

She noted that the chamber will continue to have a critical role to play in advancing relevant thought leadership and advocacy to deepen and strengthen the Singapore and U.S.' business relationship; highlighting the contributions of AmCham member companies through AmCham channels and platforms including engagements with key stakeholders such as senior U.S. and Singapore government officials, connecting members with their counterparts, as well as senior business leaders in Singapore, the region, and across the globe.

Please read 'The Future of AmCham in Singapore' white paper at https://amcham.com.sg/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/The-Future-of-AmCham-in-Singapore-White-Paper-Final-Jun-13.pdf.

In his foreword to the white paper, Minister Gan noted, "AmCham has been an important and valued partner in Singapore's economic development over the past five decades. I look forward to an even closer relationship between the Ministry of Trade & Industry and AmCham. I am confident that AmCham will continue to play a vital role in Singapore as a convener, enabler, and leader in the industry for the next 50 years and beyond."



Dr. Lei said, "Looking back on the last 50 years, AmCham is thankful for the strong partnerships we've had with U.S. and Singapore key stakeholders across the public and private sectors. Looking forward to the next 50 years, we believe there are boundless opportunities for our members to demonstrate American business values that support the community in Singapore and the region.

We thank Minister Gan for his presence today and members of the American business community for being part of AmCham Singapore's 50 year journey, and look forward to another 50 years of partnership, collaboration, and co-creation."

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About AmCham Singapore

Established in 1973, the American Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (AmCham Singapore) is the largest and the most active international business association in Singapore and Southeast Asia, with over 6,000 members representing about 650 companies.

Our Chamber comprises 12 industry-specific committees: five sectoral and seven functional. AmCham is a forward-thinking, business-progressive association. Our mission is to create value for our members by providing advocacy, business insights, and connections. Our membership includes American companies and Singaporean and third-country companies with significant U.S. business interests.

AmCham is an independent, non-partisan business organization. Our goal is to provide the information and facilitate the access and connections that give members insight into the local, regional, and global operating environment, enhance their professional capabilities, and enable them to make well informed business decisions.

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