

Statement by Ambassador Ishikawa Hiroshi at Explore Innovative  
Technologies at Japanese Corporates Technology Innovation (JCTI)  
Launchpad

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Mr. Michael Goh, CEO, IPI Singapore  
Distinguished guests, Ladies and gentlemen,

A very good afternoon to all, and a warm welcome to my residence.

It is truly a pleasure to host all of you this afternoon. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to JCTI Launchpad and IPI Singapore for organizing this important event with support from JETRO and N9.

JCTI Launchpad began in 2024 to offer a unified platform for Japanese companies to anchor their innovation activities in Singapore. It focuses on connecting Japanese technologies and Singapore-based SMEs, startups and innovation enablers. This networking reception we have today is now in its fourth edition. Today's session will showcase Japanese technologies offered by 8 companies, Panasonic, Ricoh, Nitto Denko, Nisshinbo, Mitsui Chemical, Murata, Toyo Seikan, and Bando.

We recognise that many collaborations have already been made through JCTI Launchpad and they have explored co-development opportunities aimed at accelerating growth and realising practical innovation.

Ladies and gentlemen,

As you may have already noticed the logo displayed here, this year, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Singapore and Japan. The slogan for this celebration agreed by the governments of Singapore and Japan is: Co-imagine, Co-create, and Co-evolve. Behind this slogan, there is a firm conviction that now the two countries are destined to look toward the future together and create solutions hand in hand as we continue to progress in this world.

I am confident that our cooperation in innovation and technologies field best exemplifies this spirit. Going forward, initiatives for co-creation and open innovation that transcend borders and company sizes will become increasingly important on a global scale. I hope such innovations will continue to be created through JCTI Launchpad.

Last but not least, I would like to celebrate the success of today's JCTI Launchpad Event, and wish everyone gathered here continued happiness, good health, and the prosperity of both Singapore and Japan. Thank you very much.