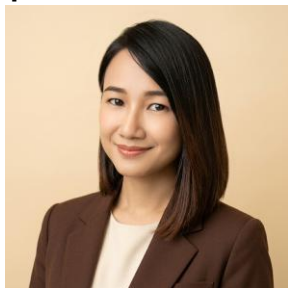


AICON 2026: e2i's Emerging Skills, Emerging Jobs

Day 1 – 8 Oct 2026	
Time	Programme Description:
10:30AM - 11:00AM	The Job Market Isn't Shrinking, Opportunities Have Moved Speaker:  Grace Fu Chief Customer Officer JobTech. Overview: This session shares a new JobTech × e2i whitepaper examining Singapore's job market and highlighting that even as overall hiring has cooled, specific roles across sectors are growing strongly, offering jobseekers realistic and trainable pathways forward.
11:30AM - 1:30PM	Are We Using AI Responsibly? Facilitating Partner:  NEVOX is a ground-up initiative building social infrastructure for people to explore, question, and reshape our collective relationship with work and career. Overview: A communal examination on our judgement on tool use. Through small-group sharing and guided reflection, we explore the many ways AI can, should and would be used in our work, and vice-versa.

1:45PM - 2:15PM

The Future of Data Analytics with AI

Speaker:



Joesan Santorcas

Senior Product Manager, Technology Skills, Core Skills



Overview:

AI is changing the way data analysts work, enabling them to work more efficiently, simplify routine tasks, and turn data into more meaningful business insights.

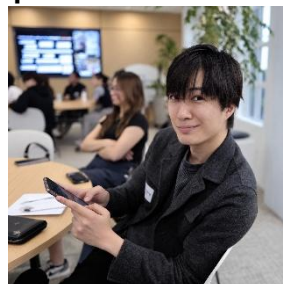
In this 30 minute introductory session, discover how AI can support different stages of the analytics workflow, from defining business questions and preparing data to assisting with SQL, Excel and BI workflows, generating insights, producing decision ready reports, and automating recurring reporting activities.

The session will also highlight the importance of human judgement, validation and responsible AI use, and how analysts can use AI as a practical partner to enhance productivity while remaining in control of their analysis.

2:30PM - 3:00PM

Art Education in an AI World

Speaker:



Raymus Chang

Film Producer & Co-Founder



Overview:

AI now produces most commercial creative work. The generation coming up may never go through what shaped the last one: the history behind a craft, the technical training, the long run of mistakes on a page, a canvas or a screen that teaches you what actually works, and the nerve to stand in front of an audience afterwards and answer for it.

Raymus asks what an art education has to protect, and what it can let go of. He makes the opposite case too: AI belongs in the

	formative years, used deliberately. Either way the aim is a personal style, which no model can hand you.
3:15PM - 3.45PM	Supercharge Your Workflow: The New Generation of AI Agents Speaker:  Irfan Co-Founder & Operations Director  Kai Wen Co-Founder & Creative Director  Overview: A new generation of AI agents just landed! Tools that don't just answer questions, but act like an actual team member who does the work for you. A personal secretary managing your calendar, an admin drafting and reading your email. The possibilities are endless. We've tried it. Tested it on our own workflows and real, practical applications, and we're bringing you our honest thoughts and tips. Here's the catch that makes this one worth your evening: it's the easiest AI agent to set up right now. You don't need to be technical, you don't need to know how AI works. If you can set up a new phone, you can set one of these up. This session isn't a lecture on how to use AI or which tool to pick. It's us showing you what we actually did: what we tested, what worked, what broke, and how you'd set one up yourself. Join Irfan and Kai Wen from Tangzen Digital as they walk through the newest agent tools hands-on: the practical setup, the tasks that are safe to hand over, and the tips we learned the hard way so you don't have to. Come with curiosity. Walk away knowing what these agents can really do, how to try one yourself this week, and where the real value is once the novelty wears off

4:00PM - 6:00PM	Future of AI Roles: Networking with Industry Experts Companies: • IBM • Trainocate • RISE by BCG U • Google • Cognizant Overview: Connect directly with industry professionals and explore how AI is shaping the future of work. Through facilitated round-robin discussions, participants will gain insights into emerging AI-enabled roles, in-demand skills, career opportunities, and industry trends while building valuable professional connections with experts in the AI ecosystem.
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Day 2 – 9 Oct 2026	
Time	Programme Description:
10:30AM - 11:15AM	Ask Me Anything with Dr Wan Rizal: Navigating the Future of AI Speaker:  Dr Wan Rizal Wan Zakariah Director, Employment and Employability Institute (e2i) Member of Parliament, Jalan Besar GRC Overview: Curious about how AI will impact your future? Join Dr Wan Rizal for an open and engaging discussion on the opportunities and challenges that AI brings. Explore common concerns such as job displacement, AI careers, responsible AI use, and the skills needed to thrive in the future workplace. Bring your questions and take part in a lively conversation about what the age of AI means for you.

11:30AM - 1:30PM	Is AI Taking Over Our Jobs? Facilitating Partner: NEVOX is a ground-up initiative building social infrastructure for people to explore, question, and reshape our collective relationship with work and career. Overview: A guided storytelling exploration our human jobs in a machine age. Through scaffolded communal story-telling, we reflect on AI's role in the workplace, and try to find clarity together on humanity in a digitalising workplace.
1:45PM - 2:15PM	Working with an AI Coworker (QwenWork) Speaker: Teo Boon Ping Senior Solution Architect Overview: Most people have chatted with AI, but far fewer have handed it a real piece of work. In this session, Alibaba Cloud shows what happens when AI moves from answering questions to completing tasks. Using QwenWork, Alibaba's all-in-one workplace AI agent, we take one plain-language brief, live on stage, and turn it into a research report, a presentation, a web page and a short promo video. Along the way we unpack the skills employers now expect: writing a clear brief, breaking down a task, checking and correcting AI output, and knowing when human judgement must stay in the loop. Participants leave with a practical picture of AI at work and a simple checklist to start building their own AI literacy.

2:30PM - 3:00PM

AI Storyboarding

Speaker:



Chee Man Wai
Head of Corporate Solution
 **Vertical
Institute**

Overview:

This session explores how AI tools are transforming the storyboarding process, from unstructured thoughts to rapid visual ideation. We will look at how learners can use AI to move faster from concept to visual narrative, while keeping the core idea central to the creative process.

3:15PM - 3.45PM

Unlock Intelligent Analytics & Visualization over Massive Data with OceanBase

Speaker:



Echo Lee
Senior Solution Architect

OceanBase

Overview:

This session features a hands-on demo of Datapolite, OceanBase's native intelligent analytics and data-visualization platform built for massive-scale datasets. We will walk through core capabilities including natural-language data query, AI-powered deep-data analysis, auto-generated business reports and flexible drag-and-drop visual dashboards. Running natively on OceanBase HTAP architecture, Datapolite removes the need for costly data copying and ETL transfers, allowing analysts to explore real-time, high-volume data and generate actionable insights with minimal coding effort. Attendees will see first-hand how enterprises can simplify their data-analytics stack and accelerate decision-making on large-volume operational data.

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