

Mr Alvin Tan
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Mr. Alvin Tan serves in the Government of Singapore as Minister of State for the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, and the Ministry of Trade & Industry.

Mr. Tan also serves on the board of the Monetary Authority of Singapore and is Deputy Chairman of the National Youth Council.

He was first elected to Parliament in July 2020 as member for Tanjong Pagar GRC.

At MTI, he spearheaded the recovery of the tourism sector during and after the COVID-19 pandemic, led efforts to transform the advanced manufacturing, aerospace, wholesale trade, precision engineering and logistics sectors as Co-Chair of the Future Economy Council's Sub-Committee on Advanced Manufacturing and Trade. He also led efforts to sign two landmark free trade agreements in Latin America, with the Pacific-Alliance Singapore Free Trade Agreement and the Mercosur-Singapore Free Trade Agreement. He also leads trade efforts to strengthen trade and investment links to Sub-Saharan Africa.

At MCCY, he drove the refresh of the Racial & Religious Harmony Circles to safeguard and modernize Singapore's local approach to racial and religious harmony, spearheaded the launch of MentoringSG, the national mentoring movement and led MCCY's national efforts on mental well-being, setting up the SG Mental Well-Being Network.

At MAS, Mr. Tan has been driving the development of the financial sector, particularly in the areas of fintech, green finance and financial sector talent development.

Mr. Tan has worked in the private, public and non-profit sectors. Before joining the government as Minister of State, he served on LinkedIn's Asia Pacific management team, expanding LinkedIn's businesses in the region and helping economies prepare for the rapidly changing nature of work using analytics and data solutions.

Before LinkedIn, Mr. Tan led the expansion of Facebook's businesses in Southeast Asia. He was responsible for strategic investments, helping small and medium businesses digitize, cybersecurity and online safety.

Between 2010-2015, Mr. Tan worked in investment banking at Goldman Sachs in Hong Kong and Singapore. Before that, he worked on tech projects at the Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary-General in New York. Mr. Tan has also served in the Singapore Armed Forces as an armour officer, and the Ministry of Defence in diplomacy, research and counter-terrorism roles. He has also worked at Oxfam in Australia.

Mr. Tan holds a First Class Honours in Economics from Sydney University and a Master in Public Policy from Harvard University. He was awarded the 2008 Tan Kah Kee Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship, and the International and Global Affairs Fellowship from the Belfer Centre of Science and International Affairs at Harvard.