

AIT-ZDT Forum Workshop-1:

Regional Development in the Semiconductor Age

Regional development in the semiconductor age is not merely about producing chips—it's about building ecosystems of innovation, resilience, and collaboration that define the economic geography of the 21st century.



Thursday, 13 November 2025

13.00-17.00 (Workshop) | 17.30-20.30 (Networking & Cocktail)

(In-person Forum and Academic/Business/Industry Networking)



Royal Orchid Sheraton Riverside Hotel Bangkok

Key Themes/Highlights

- ◆ The Strategic Role of Semiconductors in Regional Transformation
- ◆ Regional Collaboration and Value Chain Integration
- ◆ Academia-Industry Synergy for Sustainable Growth
- ◆ Market Forces, Policy, and Technological Sovereignty
- ◆ Digital Transformation and Advanced Manufacturing

Technology Visionaries, Industry Pioneers, and Academic Leaders



Dr. Burn J. Lin

Distinguished Speaker
Former Vice President in Research of TSMC
Dean of the NTHU College of Semiconductor Research



Dr. Chen-Fu Chien

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Agenda of ACTIVITIES

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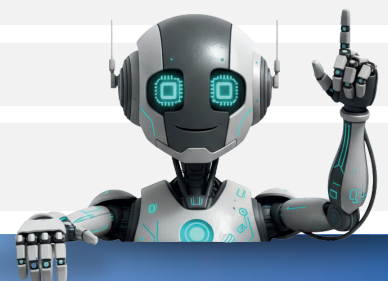
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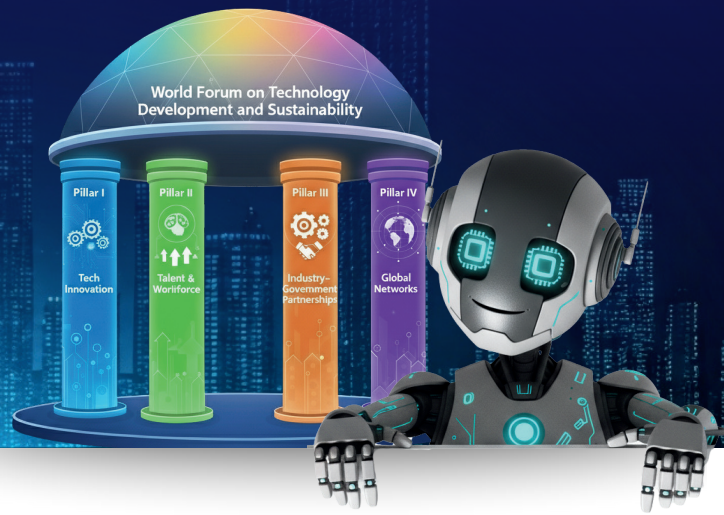
Time Schedule

Content / Form of the Workshop

13:00-13:30	Registration, and Welcome Drink	
13:35-13:45	Greetings and Welcome by the Moderator	
13:45-13:50	Opening Remarks by Asian Institute of Technology (AIT)	Prof. Pai-Chi Li , AIT President
13:50-14:05	ZDT VDO Presentation	
13:50-14:05	Opening Remarks by ZDT Chairman	Mr. Charles Shen
14:05-14:15	Messages from sponsors and key partners	Key messages from industry, business and R&D institutional partners
14:15-14:25	Group Photos	
14:25-14:55	Keynote by Distinguished Speaker FREE MARKET AND SEMICONDUCTOR TECHNOLOGY	Prof. Burn J. Lin Distinguished Speaker Former Vice President in Research of TSMC Dean of the NTHU College of Semiconductor Research
14:55-15:00	About our Mascot: Cir-Q Connector	Story and messages from AIT-ZDTtech forum mascot
15:00-15:20	Keynote: SMART MANUFACTURING AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION	Dr. Chen-Fu Chien President Zhen Ding Technology Holding Ltd.
15:20-15:55	Coffee/Tea Break and Networking/Knowledge Markets	
15:50-16:10	Keynote: SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRY AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT	Prof. Siddharth K. Jabade Vice President for Administration and Development, AIT
16:10-16:50	Panel Discussion: Leaders Dialogue: A high-level dialogue exploring collaboration, innovation ecosystems, and value-chain integration in Asia's semiconductor landscape.	Panelists from R&D institutions, industries and universities
16:50-17:00	Q & A and Introduction of the Next Networking Activities	
17:30-20:30	Cocktail Party, Networking Activities, Special Talk and Cultural Program	



Speakers' BIODATA



Prof. Burn-Jeng Lin

Distinguished Speaker
Former Vice President in Research of TSMC
Dean of the NTHU College of Semiconductor Research

Prof. Lin is a global leader in semiconductor research and technology policy. His keynote will reflect on the industry's evolution into a multinational, interdisciplinary ecosystem, highlighting the challenges of scaling, costs, and geopolitics. He will emphasize how talent diversity and international collaboration are essential to sustaining innovation, growth, and global stability.

Dr. Chen-Fu Chien

President
Zhen Ding Technology Holding Limited

Dr. Chien is the President of the world largest PCB manufacturer and has been leading corporate digital transformation to empower vertical integration of PCB with semiconductor and advanced packaging ecosystems. His address will show how PCB technologies have become critical enablers of AI, 5G, smart vehicles, and next-generation electronics, while highlighting ZDT's leadership in smart manufacturing and intelligent automation.

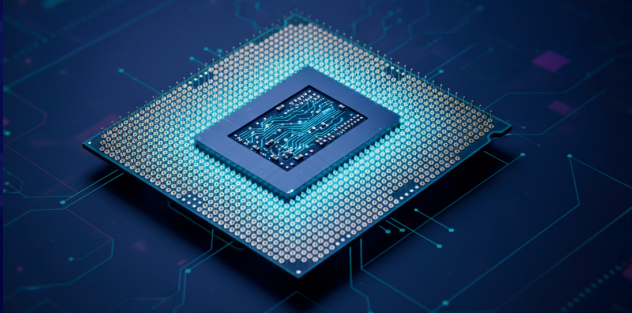


Prof. Siddharth K. Jabade

Vice President for Administration and Development
Asian Institute of Technology

Prof. Jabade represents the role of academia in advancing Asia's technology future. His keynote will focus on how higher education can partner with industry to develop skilled talent, foster research excellence, and build global networks that ensure the benefits of semiconductor and digital transformation reach societies and economies across the region.

About Us



Zhen Ding Technology Holding Limited

Zhen Ding Technology Holding Limited (Taiwan Stock Exchange: 4958) specializes in the research, development, production, and sales of a diversified range of products, including flexible printed circuit board (FPC) and surface mount assembly (SMA), substrate-like PCBs (SLP), high-density interconnect (HDI) PCBs, high-layer-count and high-density (HLC-HDI) boards, multilayer rigid printed circuit boards (RPCB) and IC substrates (ICS).

These products are widely used in end products such as computer information, consumer electronics, communications networks, automotive electronics, AI server high-speed computing, optical module and medical applications. The company offers professional one-stop shopping, full-solution services to customer worldwide.

According to Prismark's global PCB industry rankings by revenue, Zhen Ding has been ranked the world's largest PCB manufacturer for eight consecutive years, from 2017 to 2024. For more detailed information, please visit the company website: www.zdtco.com.



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Today, AIT's internationally recognized engineering, environment, and management graduates are highly sought after by employers in their home country and elsewhere. Across many walks of life in Asia, AIT alumni have distinguished themselves as CEO's of private and state enterprises, as business owners, as well-respected researchers and faculty, and as senior university and government officials.

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