



The Iwate International
Innovation Convention

Notice Regarding the Event



Overview

Organizer: Iwate Prefecture (IIC Executive Committee)

Co-organizer: Insignia Ventures Partners

Event Dates: October 29 (Thu) - 30 (Fri), 2026

Venue: Morioka Grand Hotel (1-10 Atagoshita, Morioka City, Iwate, Japan)

Expected Number of Participants: Approximately 200 attendees, including: Entrepreneurs, investors, and companies from Japan and overseas, Domestic and international financial institutions and VC, Government officials (including representatives from the Government of Japan, the Embassy of Singapore in Japan, and the Embassy of Japan in Singapore)

Participation Fee: 100,000 JPY per person (tentative)



Program Outline (Tentative)

- **Keynote Speech** (Featuring entrepreneurs, investors etc.)
- **Fireside Chat** (Discussion in a conversational format)
- **Breakout Sessions**
- **Networking Reception**

Purpose

The IIC is **an international conference on startups**, organized through a partnership between Iwate Prefecture and the Singapore-based venture capital firm **Insignia Ventures Partners**.

By **building networks** among entrepreneurs, investors, and other stakeholders participating from Japan and overseas, the conference aims to **create new growth opportunities for startups both within Japan and within Iwate Prefecture**.

Impact

Domestic and International

- Startup Companies
- Entrepreneurs
- Founders



Domestic and International

- Investors



Building a
Global Network

Learning through
Lectures and
Breakout Sessions

Creation of Opportunities for
Networks and Funding in
Regional Areas



Creation and Growth of
Numerous Startups in Japan
and within Iwate



Economic Growth and
Revitalization in Japan and
within Iwate Prefecture

About Insignia Ventures Partners



Yinglan Tan

44 years old, Singaporean

Insignia Ventures Partners

Founding Managing Partner (Founder and Representative)

- Founded Insignia Ventures Partners in 2017
- Selected as a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum (2012-2017)
- Venture capitalist listed in Forbes China's "100 Most Powerful Chinese" (2023)
- Current Panelist, Pro-Enterprise Panel, Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI), Government of Singapore

About Insignia Ventures Partners

Insignia Ventures Partners INSIGNIA VENTURES PARTNERS

- Founded in 2017 with the vision of being the largest outside shareholder in the most valuable technology companies, the group comprises Insignia Ventures Southeast Asia, Insignia Ventures Japan, and Insignia Ventures Academy.
- Invested in and supported more than 100 companies across industries and geographies.
- Supporting founders with the tools they need for growth through a team of investment and operating professionals who bring together decades of experience and proprietary networks.
- Operating Insignia Ventures Academy, a different kind of academy to nurture the next generation of leaders investors and entrepreneurs (currently delivered online).

Building a globally connected startup ecosystem in Iwate

Iwate, Open to the World

Cross-border overseas investors, startups, and corporations

Building human networks
/Creating funding opportunities
/Startup creation and growth

Cross-prefectural domestic investors, startups, and corporations

Generating a virtuous cycle



Iwate Industrial Promotion Center

Business Associations /Economic Organizations

Municipalities



岩手県 Iwate Prefecture

Higher Education Institutions (Universities & Colleges of Technology)

IWATE INNOVATION BASE

Financial Institutions

VC