



Press Release

Standard Chartered marks World Mental Health Day and World Investor Week with mentoring session for university students

11 October 2025, Brunei Darussalam – In conjunction with World Mental Health Day and World Investor Week, Standard Chartered organised an engaging Speed Mentoring Session and Virtual Panel Discussion with students at University Brunei Darussalam (UBD) on 10 October 2025 at the Senate Room of Chancellor Hall at UBD.

The initiative was part of the bank's leadership programme, aSCent, a strategic talent initiative aimed at identifying and grooming the next generation of leaders for the Bank across our ASEAN markets. The programme will engage nominated cohort members in a series of initiatives and activities to further develop leadership capabilities and provide opportunities to interact with senior leaders in the Bank.

The Speed Mentoring session covered diverse and meaningful conversations around wellness, career choice, life in client service and the role of technology in banking. One of the mentors also shared their experiences in educating clients on investment decisions – highlighting the importance of financial literacy, trust and long-term perspective of building client relationships. The mentors include:

- Brenda Low, Head of Wealth & Retail Banking, Standard Chartered Bank and CEO Standard Chartered Securities
- Jocelane Basir, Chief Technology and Operations Officer, Standard Chartered Bank
- Sharon Tan, Associate Director, Corporate & Investment Banking, Standard Chartered Bank
- Josh Yen, Team Manager Priority Banking, Standard Chartered Bank

This was then followed by a Virtual Panel Discussion in conjunction with World Mental Health Day where our panellists spoke candidly about the importance of mental health, work-life balance,



resilience and personal growth. They explored how wellbeing is more than just managing stress but it's also about finding purpose, setting boundaries, nurturing passion outside of work and leading with empathy in both professional and personal spaces. The panelists featured were:

- Patrick Lee, CEO Singapore and ASEAN, Standard Chartered Bank
- YS Wong, Head of HR for Singapore and ASEAN, Standard Chartered Bank
- Ruchira Raj, Psychotherapist from Incontact Counselling and Training

Brenda Low, one of the mentors in the morning session remarked:

“It's an honour be part of this initiative where, together with my colleagues, we have the privilege of engaging with students from UBD who were eager to learn, exchange ideas and prepare for their professional journeys. I'm proud to be part of an organisation that continues to champion initiatives that foster both professional development and human connection across generations. Through this initiative, we continue to bridge experiences with aspirations, empowering the next generation to pursue success that's both meaningful and sustainable.”

Josh Yen, also shared his reflection of the initiative:

“In my role in Standard Chartered, I am constantly engaging with clients to understand their investment and financial aspirations. With World Investor Week, we also want to highlight the importance of financial literacy and gaining trust for the long-term building of client relationships.”

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