



Mr Alvin Tan

Minister of State, Trade and Industry and Culture, Community and Youth
Republic of Singapore

Mr Alvin Tan was appointed Minister of State for Trade and Industry and Culture, Community and Youth on 1 September 2020. He was first elected as a Member of Parliament in July 2020.

Mr Tan has worked in the private, public and non-profit sectors. Before joining the government as Minister of State, he served as LinkedIn's Head of Public Policy and Economics for the Asia Pacific, where he and his team helped economies prepare for the rapidly changing nature of work using analytics and data solutions.

Before LinkedIn, Mr Tan was Head of Public Policy and Trust and Safety at Facebook (as well as Instagram and WhatsApp) where he was responsible for strategic investments, helping small and medium businesses digitise, authenticity, cybersecurity and online safety.

Between 2010 to 2015, Mr Tan worked in investment banking at Goldman Sachs in Hong Kong and Singapore. Before that, he worked as a speech writer and on technology projects at the Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary-General in New York. Mr Tan has also served in the Ministry of Defence in diplomacy, research and counter-terrorism roles, and at Oxfam in Australia.

Mr Tan has been an active community leader in Singapore since 2005, serving youth, seniors and vulnerable families in both the Kreta Ayer-Kim Seng and Moulmein-Cairnhill constituencies. He was also Chair of the Kreta Ayer-Kim Seng Inter-Racial and Religious Confidence Circle (IRCC).

Mr Tan holds a First Class Honours in Economics from the University of Sydney 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.

Mr Tan is married with two children.