

ICAEW International Thought Leadership Events in South-East Asia

AN INTRODUCTION TO TECHNOLOGY, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND CYBERSECURITY

Kristin Gillon, Technical Manager of ICAEW IT Faculty, embarked on her journey through South-East Asia as she led the ICAEW Technical Roadshow in six cities. She presented topics around Artificial Intelligence (AI), how it is becoming an everyday occurrence and whether having more intelligent systems can help accountants provide more insight and move further up the value chain. She also analysed the extent of business knowledge on today's advancing technology and cybersecurity.

MALAYSIA

9 – 10 April

The ICAEW Technical Roadshow session commenced first in Kuala Lumpur. Kristin Gillon engaged with academic, professionals and the Malaysian Institute of Accountants on the topic of Artificial Intelligence and the future of accountancy, big data and the role of IT in business during the 2-day event in Malaysia.



Kristin Gillon conducting a session at Malaysian Institute of Accountants

SINGAPORE

11 – 12 April

Kirstin and guest speaker, Matthias Yeo, President, ISC2 Singapore Chapter, discussed what Artificial Intelligence (AI) means, how it is being adopted by accountants today, what the impact on the profession will be in the longer term. They also dwell deeper into cybersecurity challenges and trends in today's world at the breakfast event for ICAEW and CAW members .

Kirstin also visited Singapore Management University (SMU) and UPS Asia office to share her expertise on Fintech and the future accountancy. She was invited by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants to discuss how AI will transform the accounting industry, and the various opportunities this would bring to the accounting and finance professionals.



ICAIFW and CAW members at the Tower Club



Q&A session with Kristin Gillon (left) and Matthias Yeo (right)



Kristin engaging UPS (left) and SMU students (right) in Singapore



VIETNAM

13 – 18 April

In Vietnam, Kirstin conducted workshops, jointly organised by ICAEW and IBM Vietnam, a global leader in Artificial Intelligence research in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City.

At both workshops Kristin presented on *Artificial Intelligence and Digital Disruption*, while Vu Ngoc Hoang, Software Solution Architect, IBM Vietnam discussed about *Digital workers – What will future jobs look like?* The workshops were attended by representatives from ICAEW Authorised Training Employers (ATE), Academic from various leading universities as well as members from the Chartered Accountants Worldwide (CAW) in Hanoi and HCMC.

Kristin also spoke at various universities in both cities where she shared insights with undergraduates on the area of Fintech and its influence on the future of accountancy profession. On her corporate engagement, Kirstin spoke to the executives at an event organised by the Viettel Group, the largest information technology and telecommunications company in Vietnam.



Kristin Gillon with ATEs, government bodies, lecturers and CAW members (left) and delivering on the topic of AI and the future of accountancy to senior staff members at Viettel Corporation (right), in Hanoi



Technical Roadshow at HCMH – Vu Ngoc Hoang making projections for the accounting profession in a digital future (left), Kristin answering a student's query regarding the threat of technology on accounting profession (right)

INDONESIA

19 – 22 April

During her visit to Indonesia, Kristin shared the report from her research on Cyber Security, Big Data and Analytics with auditors at the Supreme Audit Board (BPK RI).

She also went on to engage with members of the Institute of Indonesia Chartered Accountants (IAI) and gave talks to undergraduates at two leading universities in Jakarta about new technology and the impact it has on the skills of accountants.



Kristin with officials at the Supreme Audit Board



Panel discussion at the IAI event



Kristin engaging students at Universitas Tarumanagara (left) and Universitas Indonesia (right)

MYANMAR

23 – 24 April

Yangon was the final stop of the series of ICAEW Technical Roadshow in South-East Asia for Kristin. She spoke at the Myanmar Institution of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA), which was attended by government officials and MICPA Council members.

This was followed by a visit to Win Thin & Associates where she delivered an insightful presentation around Fintech and its influence on the future of accountancy profession to a group of senior partners and staff from its audit and tax department.



Kristin posing with some of the staffs after her presentation at Win Thin & Associates