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EVENT THEME

Trusted Transformation: Security, Compliance, and the Future of Legal Services

The 2026 programme focus: practical law-firm modernization across AI-enabled delivery, cyber resilience, data governance, regulatory change, and new operating models.

Artificial Intelligence - especially generative AI—has moved beyond the "big reveal" phase and into a more demanding era of proof: measurable outcomes, defensible governance, and real operational change inside law firms. The conversation now has to shift from excitement and speculation to clear-eyed evaluation: which use cases consistently deliver quality, speed, and client value; which introduce unacceptable risk; and what it takes to deploy AI responsibly at scale. For law firms, the central question is no longer whether AI will be adopted, but how to separate short-lived hype from lasting advantage—through rigorous testing, security-by-design, and workflows that keep humans accountable for judgment, ethics, and client trust.

This creates a practical set of 2026-focused challenges for every lawyer and business professional in a firm: where do we each sit in the new delivery model, what skills become essential (prompting is table stakes; evaluation, data literacy, and risk management are differentiators), and how do we redesign services without hollowing out expertise or undermining quality? Some work will be automated; much will be augmented; and the strategic opportunity is to use AI to raise consistency, shorten cycle times, and expand access—while being honest about what cannot be delegated to a model. The firms that win in 2026 will be those that can explain, to clients and regulators, how their AI-assisted work is verified, auditable, secure, and aligned with professional duties.

Against this backdrop, the LawTech Asia Summit—entering its seventh year—positions itself as a working forum for the legal industry to tackle the "next chapter" issues: AI in production (not pilots), model governance and accountability, procurement and vendor risk, client expectations for transparency, and the new economics of legal services. The 2026 program will also go beyond AI to address the foundational enablers and constraints shaping adoption: cybersecurity and resilience, data compliance and cross-border data handling, and end-to-end digital transformation of law firms—from knowledge management and matter lifecycle processes to pricing, delivery, and talent development.

The Lawtech Asia Summit serves as a hub for learning and uniting the legal tech community, fostering the exchange of stories and experiences, and facilitating connections annually.

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If you do not change direction, you might end up where you are heading —
Lao Tzu

LAWTECH ORIGINS

Australia's leading Legal Technology event since 2006

It was way back in 2006 when Chilli IQ first developed the Lawtech Summit as we saw the need for a platform for the evolving legal technology market in Australia. It was new, fresh and created a buzz amongst the growing legal technology crowd but furthermore it created a community. It brought together legal IT Managers and everyone involved with the technology of a law firm in one place – for the first time in Australia.

Through the last 20 years the Lawtech Summit has seen the evolution of legal technology managers go from just the IT guys to becoming an important and essential part of the business strategy of law firms today.

Fast forward to now and the legal technology community has grown and thrived. The success of Lawtech has meant that it has now been expanded to other markets, including Asia and New Zealand.

We are proud to be an integral part of this ever evolving community and continue to offer a stage for thought leaders and ground breakers of the legal technology field.



who should attend

The Lawtech Asia Summit is a key event for networking and education, drawing CIOs from leading large and mid-tier law firms across Asia.

This event has been exclusively produced to address the function and capacity of the following position from the legal profession - law firms, legal counsel and the corporate sector:

- Chief Information Officer (CIO)
 - Chief Technology Officer (CTO)
 - Chief Operating Officer (COO)
 - Chief Digital Officer (CDO) / Digital Transformation Director
 - Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) / Head of Cybersecurity
 - Head of Innovation / Legal Innovation Director
 - Legal Technology Director / Legal Systems Manager
 - Knowledge Director / Knowledge Manager
 - Head of Litigation Support / eDiscovery Manager
 - General Counsel (GC) / Deputy General Counsel
 - Head of Legal Operations / Legal Ops Director
 - Legal Counsel (Corporate / Commercial / Employment)
 - Head of Contracts / Contract Lifecycle Management (CLM) Lead
 - Head of Compliance / Chief Compliance Officer (CCO)
 - Data Protection Officer (DPO) / Head of Privacy
- All those who have a role in the technology side of a law firm or legal department.

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***Insightful and thought provoking content
delivered by world class speakers***

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(2025 delegate)

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what you will learn

The 2026 Lawtech Asia programme will be focusing on the following topics:

Legal AI in 2026: From experimentation to operating model

- Where GenAI is reliably delivering value in legal work.
- What needs to change in process, people, and controls to scale.

Legal knowledge management, rebuilt for GenAI

- Taxonomy/metadata basics that unlock reuse.
- Capturing advice as assets: templates, guidance notes, decision trees

Governance, risk, and compliance for legal AI

- AI governance for legal: policy, privilege, audit trails, and accountability

Cross-border privacy and data strategy for legal teams in Asia

- Practical patterns: data minimization, regional processing, retention controls.
- Handling privileged/confidential data in cloud and AI tools.

Designing a defensible legal AI workflow

- Human-in-the-loop checkpoints and approval gates.
- Audit trails, versioning, and documentation for "why this output was used"

Disputes and investigations tech: digital evidence and authenticity

- Messaging apps, device data, and chain of custody basics.
- Deepfakes and integrity checks: what teams should standardize.

Cybersecurity + incident response for legal teams

- Secure-by-design legal tech, vendor risk, encryption, access controls, incident response for legal teams

IP, content, and AI-era rights

- Training data, outputs, ownership, licensing, and trade secret leakage risks.

Talent, change management, and the "new legal technologist"

CONFIRMED **SPEAKERS**

Creating a great conference programme requires great speakers - the following speakers have been invited to present due to their expertise and forward thinking approach to the current topics.

- **ZEE KIN YEONG** CHIEF EXECUTIVE **SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW**
- **RAJESH SREENIVASAN** HEAD OF TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA & TELECOMMUNICATIONS **RAJAH & TANN**
- **KK LIM** PARTNER **CLAYTON LAW LLC**
- **ANASTASIA SU-ANNE CHEN** DEPUTY HEAD, DATA PROTECTION, PRIVACY AND CYBERSECURITY **DREW & NAPIER LLC**
- **JUNIE NEO** DIRECTOR, DATA PRIVACY OFFICE **GXS BANK**
- **CHUNG NIAN LAM** PARTNER **WONGPARTNERSHIP LLP**
- **LUCAS NICOLET-SERRA** PARTNER **K&L GATES**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

9:00- 9:30

Registration Open

9:30 -9:45

Opening Remarks from the Chair

9:45- 10:30
SESSION 1

*Opening
Keynote
Session*

THE NEW LEGAL ORDER: AI, INNOVATION, AND THE ROAD AHEAD FOR ASIA

The session will explore the opportunities and challenges facing law firms, in-house legal teams, regulators, and legal tech innovators as they navigate an era of rapid transformation, while asking the defining question of our time: how does Asia chart its own path in the new legal order?

10:30 - 11:15

SESSION 2

PANEL

DISCUSSION

LEGAL AI IN 2026: FROM EXPERIMENTATION TO OPERATING MODEL - A DISCUSSION

In this session the panellists will discuss the following points:

- How and where GenAI can reliably deliver value in legal work
- What needs to change in process, people, and controls to scale

ZEE KIN YEONG CHIEF EXECUTIVE **SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW**

CHUNG NIAN LAM PARTNER **WONGPARTNERSHIP LLP**

11:15 - 11:35

**INDUSTRY
INSIGHT**

TECHNOLOGY UPDATES

11:35-12:00

BREAK

MORNING BREAK AND CHAT TIME

12:00 - 12:20

**INDUSTRY
INSIGHT**

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12:20 - 13:00

SESSION 3

CROSS-BORDER DATA GOVERNANCE, CONFIDENTIALITY AND PRIVACY STRATEGY FOR LEGAL TEAMS IN ASIA

- Practical patterns: data minimization, regional processing, retention controls.
- Handling privileged/confidential data in cloud and AI tools.

RAJESH SREENIVASAN PARTNER **RAJAH & TANN SINGAPORE LLP**

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13:00 -13:45

**LUNCH
BREAK**

LUNCHEON & TIME TO CHAT

13:30 - 14:15

SESSION 4

DISPUTES AND INVESTIGATIONS TECH: DIGITAL EVIDENCE AND AUTHENTICITY

- Messaging apps, device data, and chain of custody basics.
- Deepfakes and integrity checks: what teams should standardize.

LUCAS NICOLET-SERRA PARTNER K&L GATES

14:15 - 15:00

SESSION 5

TECHNOLOGY AND DATA PRIVACY - HOW TO CONQUER THE NEW FRONTIER - A DISCUSSION

ANASTASIA SU-ANNE CHEN DEPUTY HEAD, DATA PROTECTION, PRIVACY AND CYBERSECURITY
DREW & NAPIER LLC

JUNIE NEO DIRECTOR **DATA PRIVACY OFFICE, GXS BANK**

14:15 - 14:45

BREAK

AFTERNOON BREAK AND CHAT TIME

14:45 - 15:30

SESSION 5

IP, CONTENT, AND AI-ERA RIGHTS

- Training data, outputs, ownership, licensing, and trade secret leakage risks.

KK LIM PARTNER **CLAYTON LAW LLC**

15:30 - 16:15

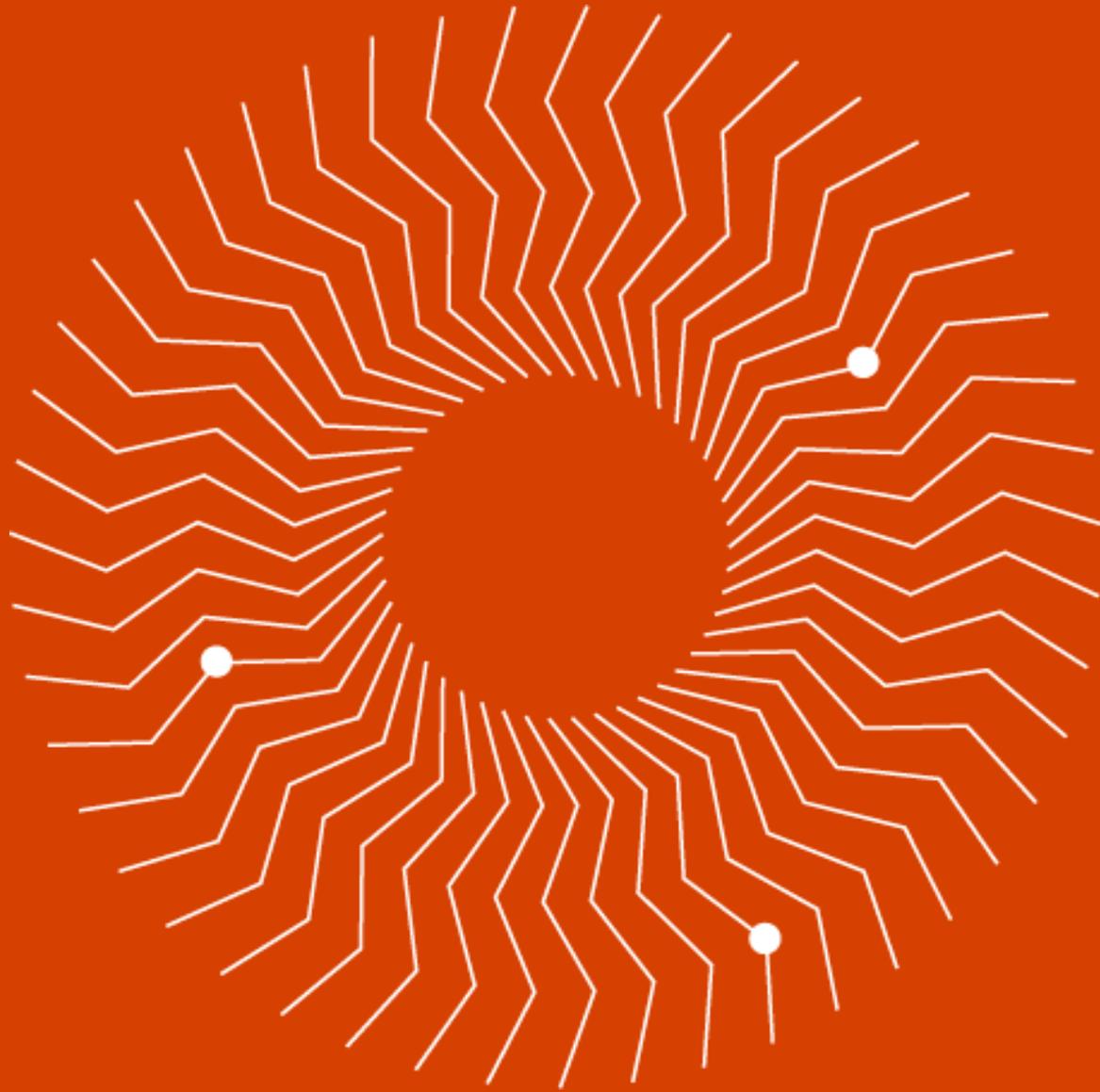
SESSION 6

CLOSING
KEYNOTE

BRAVE NEW WORLD OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE- WHERE ARE WE NOW AND WHERE ARE WE HEADING

**16:15
END**

CLOSING REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND END OF CONFERENCE



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