Speaker Profiles
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Tinlok Pang
Tinlok Pang is Canva’s lead scientist, where she wrangles huge volumes of data, sifting out clues to find the most valuable areas to invest the team’s time. She has worked across a range of Australia’s most exciting startups as well as having researched data science and artificial intelligence at the University of Sydney. She is passionate about the power of data to help everyone in their everyday lives and enjoys equipping people with the skills to better understand the numbers around them.

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Professor Ron Johnston
Professor Ron Johnston, Executive Director of the Australian Centre for Innovation (ACIIC) has worked for many years in pioneering better understanding of the ways that science and technology contribute to economic and social development, the characteristics of the global knowledge economy and the processes and culture of innovation.

His role in Australia has been recognised by his election to the Fellowship of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering, and by his appointment as Deputy Chair of the Australian Science and Technology Engineering Council, Director of the Australian Commission for the Future, Trustee and Life Fellow of the Powerhouse Museum, and member of the Australian Manufacturing Council and the NSW Innovation Council. He was Chair of the National Enabling Technologies Strategy Expert Forum, charged with advising the Australian Government on the development of appropriate policies and capabilities to maximise the opportunities and limit the possible hazards arising from emerging technologies.

James Alexander
James Alexander is the Co-founder and Manager at INCUBATE, a multi-award winning startup accelerator program at the University of Sydney. In fours years INCUBATE has ‘graduated’ over 60 startups founded by students and researchers – each program them from an idea to launching their business and get the first customers in just 14 weeks. James founded INCUBATE with University of Sydney Union after completing a degree with Honours in Computer Science. James has been involved with startups and technology industry in Sydney since he was 20 years old.

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