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The Economist addresses the key topics

Our thorough research, supported by our editorial insight, means that our agenda scrutinise the key topics of the day. We provide actionable outcomes and helpful, strategic insights to our audience.

The Week's programme is developed through in-house editorial expertise and in-depth research interviews with industry experts. We bring the key players together and take a deep dive into the key issues for the trade community.

Some of the issues that we will look at in 2021 will include:

- How can we revive global trade?
- How can trade contribute to global economic recovery, and what role will Asia play?
- What economic and political challenges does international commerce face?
- How are businesses building resilience to deal with the shocks and tremors?
- How are companies likely to change and rethink their manufacturing bases, supply chains and customer focus over the medium to long term?
- And as the world becomes more dependent on Asia, how will unforeseen events such as covid-19 affect global value chains?
- How is Asian trade building resilience?
- How are Asian businesses responding to economic and political challenges?
- How has covid-19 changed the region's position in the global value chain?
- What is its role in building international legal frameworks for free trade?
- How will technology shape Asian trade in the long run?

The Economist attracts the right audience

We bring together the people that make decisions and the organisations that matter. Our audiences convene to solve problems and to do business.


Contact ankurchaudhary@economist.com to speak on our 2021 programme.
# What’s on the agenda?

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<td><strong>The case for sustainable trade</strong> <em>Live from Singapore</em> A panel on how sustainable trade could help economic recovery in the long run.</td>
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<td><strong>Illicit trade in times of covid</strong> <em>(12.30pm -1.30pm)</em> A panel discussing new patterns of illicit trade with the sectors at the highest risk and how can countries in Asia work together to tackle cross-border illicit trade.</td>
<td><strong>Technology in Asian trade by 2030: What if...</strong> <em>(1hr)</em> We set out bold hypotheses to explore how technology will shape the future of Asian trade.</td>
<td><strong>Setting a course for new growth</strong> <em>Live from Hong Kong</em> A panel discussing opportunities and challenges facing Asian shipping industry</td>
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<td><strong>Digital imperatives</strong> A panel discussion on the role of digitisation in helping trade revive.</td>
<td><strong>Jab economics: Distribution and vaccine equity</strong> A conversation on how vaccine trade value chains will adapt to large-scale immunisation programmes and how to reach vaccine equity</td>
<td><strong>Country spotlights: New frontiers</strong> <em>(1hr)</em> A conversation on the pros and cons of the new industrial hubs.</td>
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| **4:30pm - 5:30pm** | **The emergence of Asia-centric trade systems** *(1.5hr)* *Live from Hong Kong* A panel analysing Asia’s impact | **Country spotlights: New frontiers** *(1hr)* A conversation on the pros and cons of the new industrial hubs. | **In conversation: A new chapter for US-Asia trade relations?** A discussion on US-Asia trade relations under the new US administration. | **Country spotlights: New frontiers** *(1hr)* A conversation on the pros and cons of the new industrial hubs.
Confirmed speakers at Asia Trade Week 2021

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President – Asia Pacific,
Middle East & Africa
P&G

Charlene Barshesky
Senior international partner
WilmerHale

Sansem Samalapa
Vice minister for commerce
Thailand

Susanne Bieller
General secretary
International Federation of Robotics

Nicholas Kwan
Director of research
Hong Kong Trade Development Council
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