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Conference Introduction

Asia's healthcare systems are under mounting pressure. Medical costs are rising faster than incomes; populations are ageing, chronic disease is growing, and millions of households still bear the financial burden of illness alone. For insurers, reinsurers, and healthcare providers, incremental change is no longer enough. The 22nd Asia Conference on Healthcare and Health Insurance brings together the region's leading insurers, reinsurers, healthcare providers, regulators and innovators to ask a bolder question: what would health insurance look like if we built it for Asia's next decade?

Population health in the Southeast Asia Region has experienced significant, though uneven, progress over the past two decades. Improvements in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases and injuries have contributed to sustained declines in mortality and a corresponding increase in overall life expectancy. Advances in public health infrastructure, vaccination programmes, maternal and child health services, and the management of infectious diseases have all played a pivotal role in extending lives across the Region. However, these gains have not been uniform and, in some cases, have been reversed or attenuated by major health shocks. Unequivocally, the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted health systems, strained economies, and led to substantial excess mortality across Member States. (Cited from Monitoring progress on universal health coverage and the health-related Sustainable Development Goals in the South-East Asia Region, World Health Organization)

Medical trend rates remain persistently high. After averaging close to 11% globally in 2024 and 2025, insurers are again forecasting, for 2026, an 11% year-over-year cost increase for medical plan claims per person. This would mark the sixth straight year of double-digit rises, a clear signal that affordability remains under pressure. (Cited from Health Trends 2026, Marsh)

The region has proven what's possible: longer lives, stronger public health systems, and real progress against disease. But progress without protection is fragile, and today, the gap between what Asia's population needs and what its insurance systems deliver has never been more consequential. Every uncovered household is a risk to economic momentum. Every insurer that adapts is part of the solution. Over the course of the conference, delegates will explore how to contain medical inflation without compromising care, close the health protection gap, harness data and technology to improve outcomes, and build partnerships that make coverage more affordable, sustainable and relevant to Asia's diverse markets.

The future of health insurance in Asia won't be built by those who wait for the landscape to settle; it will be built by those who help shape it now. The conversation starts here. The transformation starts with you.

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Programme Highlights

Insights Expected from Asia's Healthcare and Insurance Leaders

Market Outlook, Costs and Access

- Medical Inflation: Drivers, Trends, and Cost Containment
- Premium Affordability and Sustainable Pricing
- Closing the Protection Gap
- Out-of-Pocket Spending and Financial Vulnerability of Households
- The Role of Public Health Systems and Government Schemes in Complementing Private Insurance
- Regulatory Trends and Cross-Border Developments Across Asia

Underwriting, Claims and Risk Resilience

- Reinventing Underwriting with Data and Analytics
- Smarter Claims Management and Fraud Prevention
- Managed Care, Hospital Networks and Provider Cost Transparency
- Value-Based Care and Provider Partnerships
- Group Health and Employer Benefits in a High-Inflation Environment
- Reinsurance Strategies for Health Portfolios
- Cyber Risk and Data Privacy in Health Insurance
- Black Swan Events and Building a Resilient Health Insurance Sector

Technology, Customer Experience and Product Innovation

- AI and Digital Technology in Health Insurance
- Designing for the Customer: Outpatient, Maternity and Alternative Therapy Benefits
- Digital Distribution and Online Policy Management
- Innovation in Product Design: Microinsurance, Hybrid and Customisable Plans
- Telemedicine and Virtual Care: Impact on Access and Claims
- Wearables, Remote Monitoring and Personalised Health Data
- Preventive Health, Wellness and Mental Health as Insurable Risks

Disease Burden, Demographics and Emerging Therapies

- Chronic Diseases and the Rise of Non-Communicable Conditions
- Cancer and Critical Illness: Rising Incidence and Claims Impact
- Diabetes, Obesity and Cardiovascular Disease: Managing the Cost Burden
- GLP-1s, Peptides and New Therapies: Who Pays?
- Ageing Populations and Long-Term Care Insurance
- Living to 100: Can Health Insurance Keep Up with Asia's Longevity Revolution
- Rising Middle-Class Demand in Asia
- Health Insurance for Expatriates, Retirees and Medical Travellers



Who Should Attend

This conference brings together senior decisionmakers from across Asia's insurance and reinsurance industry from strategy to execution, from underwriting to the frontlines of care.

C-Suite & Strategic Leadership

CEOs, COOs, CFOs, CROs, CIOs, CSOs, CDOs, CTOs, Country Managers, and Regional CEOs shaping the direction of health insurance across Asia.

Underwriting, Actuarial & Risk

Chief Underwriting Officers, Chief Actuaries, Heads of Underwriting, Pricing Actuaries, and Risk Assessment leaders driving how health risk is priced and managed.

Claims & Operations

Chief Claims Officers, Heads of Claims, Claims Fraud & Investigation leaders, and Provider/ Network Management directors managing the cost and integrity of the claims lifecycle.

Product, Distribution & Digital

Chief Product Officers, Chief Distribution Officers, Heads of Bancassurance, Digital Sales, Partnerships, and Innovation leaders building the next generation of health insurance products and channels.

Reinsurance Leaders

Regional Heads of Reinsurance, Treaty and Facultative Underwriting leaders, and Cedant Relations executives shaping risk transfer and capacity across the region.



Technology, Data & AI

Chief Data Officers, Heads of AI/Innovation, InsurTech Partnership leaders, and Digital Transformation directors driving the industry's technology agenda.

Health & Wellness

Chief Medical Officers, Medical Directors, and Heads of Population Health and Wellness Programs bridging clinical insight and insurance strategy.



Who Should Sponsor

This is where Asia's health insurance industry comes to solve its biggest challenges , making it the ideal platform for organizations offering the tools, technology, and expertise insurers need to close the protection gap and adapt to a changing landscape.

Insurers & Reinsurers

Established insurance and reinsurance companies looking to position themselves as industry leaders, showcase innovative products and strategies, and strengthen their brand presence among peers, partners, and prospective clients across Asia.

InsurTech & AI Solution Providers

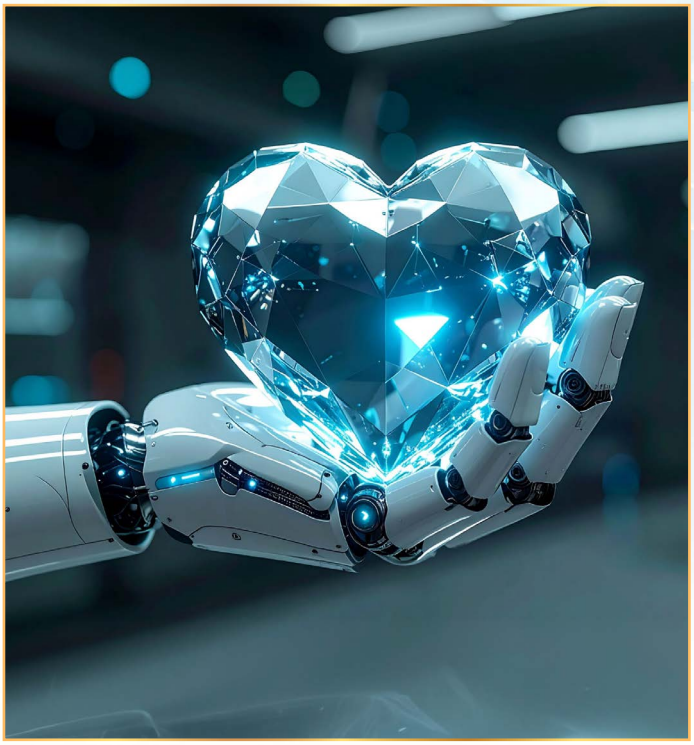
Companies offering AI-driven underwriting, claims automation, agentic AI platforms, fraud detection, and predictive analytics solutions built for the insurance industry.

Reinsurance & Risk Transfer Specialists

Global and regional reinsurers, retrocession providers, and risk modeling firms offering capacity, expertise, and analytics for health and chronic-illness risk.

Health Technology & Digital Health Platforms

Telemedicine providers, wearable technology companies, digital health platforms, and wellness ecosystem partners enabling prevention-linked insurance models.





Actuarial, Consulting & Advisory Firms

Actuarial consultancies, management consulting firms, and strategic advisory groups supporting insurers on pricing, reserving, capital strategy, and market entry.

Healthcare Providers & Networks

Hospital groups, healthcare provider networks, diagnostic and preventive care companies seeking partnerships with insurers on panel management and integrated care models.

Legal, Regulatory & Compliance Advisors

Law firms and compliance consultancies specializing in insurance regulation, cross-border market access, and data governance across Asian markets.

Technology & Data Infrastructure Providers

Core insurance platform providers, data analytics firms, cybersecurity companies, and cloud infrastructure providers supporting digital transformation in insurance.

Financial & Capital Solutions Providers

Investment firms, capital markets advisors, and alternative risk transfer specialists supporting insurers' capital and solvency strategies.

Agenda at the Glance

DAY 1 – 17 March 2027, Wednesday

AM Session: Market Outlook, Costs and Access

8:00 am **Registration and Welcome Coffee and Tea**

9:00 am **Welcome Address by the Conference Chairman**

9:10 am **Opening Keynote: Health Insurance Reimagined, Asia's Market Outlook**
- Which market forces will shape health insurance growth across Asia
- What must change for the industry to serve the next generation of customers

9:35 am **Medical Inflation: Drivers, Trends and Cost Containment**
- What is driving medical cost increases across the region
- Which cost containment measures are working in practice

10:00 am **Premium Affordability and Sustainable Pricing**
- How insurers can keep premiums affordable without eroding margins
- What pricing models balance sustainability with customer value

10:25 am **The Executive Exchange: Health Insurance and Public Systems: Building Asia's Next-Generation Coverage Model**

11:25 am **Brew and Connect: Coffee, conversation and industry insights**

11:55 am **Closing the Protection Gap**
- Where the health protection gap is widest and why
- Which products and partnerships can bring more people into cover

12:20 pm **Conference Luncheon**

PM Session: Disease Burden, Demographics and Emerging Therapies

1:30 pm **Chronic Diseases and the Rise of Non-Communicable Conditions**
- How urbanisation and lifestyle changes are driving chronic disease
- What this means for pricing, prevention and long-term claims

1:55 pm **Cancer and Critical Illness: Rising Incidence and Claims Impact**
- How rising incidence is changing claims trends and product design
- How early detection and better treatment are shifting the cost equation

2:20 pm **Ageing Populations and Long-Term Care Insurance**
- Lessons from Japan and other ageing markets in funding long-term care
- How insurers can design sustainable products for older customers

2:45 pm **Executive Exchange: Sustaining Affordable Health Coverage in Asia: A Shared Agenda for Insurers, Providers and Policymakers**

3:45 pm **Brew and Connect: Coffee, conversation and industry insights**

4:15 pm **Living to 100: Can Health Insurance Keep Up with Asia's Longevity Revolution?**
- How do longer lifespans change pricing, product design and lifetime cover?
- Can insurers profitably reward healthy ageing rather than just pay claims?

4:40 pm **Day 1 Closing Remarks by the Conference Chairman**

DAY 2 – 18 March 2027, Thursday

AM Session: Underwriting, Claims and Risk Resilience

9:00 am **Day 2 Opening Remarks by the Conference Chairman**

9:10 am **Underwriting with Data and Analytics**
- How data and analytics are improving risk selection and pricing accuracy
- What safeguards are needed to keep underwriting fair and compliant

9:35 am **Smarter Claims Management and Fraud Prevention**
- How automation and analytics are speeding up claims while cutting leakage
- What works best to detect fraud, waste and abuse

10:00 am **Managed Care, Hospital Networks and Provider Cost Transparency**
- How networks and transparent pricing can rein in provider costs
- What insurers need from hospitals to build stronger partnerships

10:25 am **The Executive Exchange: Health Insurance 2030: Preparing for the Next Pandemic, Cyber Shock and Climate-Driven Health Crisis**

11:25 am **Brew and Connect: Coffee, conversation and industry insights**

11:55 am **Reinsurance Strategies for Health Portfolios**

- How reinsurers are adapting capacity and terms to rising medical costs
- What structures best support growth in new and emerging health markets

12:20 pm **Conference Luncheon**

PM Session: Technology, Customer Experience and Product Innovation

1:30 pm **Designing for the Customer: Outpatient, Maternity and Alternative Therapy Benefits**

- What customers now expect beyond hospitalisation cover
- How to add benefits without driving up premiums

1:55 pm **Telemedicine and Virtual Care: Impact on Access and Claims**

- How virtual care is widening access and changing claims patterns
- Whether telemedicine reduces costs or simply adds new demand

2:20 pm **Innovation in Product Design: Microinsurance, Hybrid and Customisable Plans**

- How flexible and modular plans can reach underserved customers
- What makes an innovative health product commercially viable

2:45 pm **The Executive Exchange: AI-Native Health Insurance: Rewriting Underwriting, Claims and the Customer Experience**

3:45 pm **Brew and Connect: Coffee, conversation and industry insights**

4:15 pm **Preventive Health, Wellness and Mental Health as Insurable Risks**

- How prevention and wellness programmes can lower long-term claims
- Whether mental health cover can be offered sustainably

4:40 pm **Closing Remarks by The Conference Chairman**

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