

Internationalisation Series: Next-Gen and Beyond - Navigating Japan's Gaming and VR Landscape, Tokyo

Pre-Trip Workshops:

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Session A (9:00am - 12:30pm)	<p>Introduction to Tokyo's Ecosystem</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• History and Influence of Tokyo in the Global Gaming Scene: Discussion on Tokyo's impact on gaming culture worldwide, including the development of iconic games and genres.• Discussion on the history and influence of Tokyo in shaping global digital trends.• Networking in Tokyo's Gaming Industry: Tips and strategies for building valuable connections with key players in Japan's tech and gaming industries.
Session B (1:30pm - 5:00pm)	<p>Applications of Artificial Intelligence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How AI is used to enhance gameplay, create adaptive challenges, and personalize player experiences.• Discussion on the application of AI for strategic game planning, real-time decision-making, and training of e-sports athletes.
Session C (9:00am - 12:30pm)	<p>VR/AR Innovations and Tech Demos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore the advanced technology used in e-sports and game development in Tokyo, including VR, and AR enhancements.• Deep dive into the latest gaming innovations and tech demos from leading Tokyo-based developers, with group discussions.

Programme in Tokyo:

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Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Flight to Tokyo.• Overview of tech, gaming and startups in Tokyo.
Day 2	<p>Morning Session: Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Landscape in Japanese Gaming• Market Analysis and Consumer Trends: In-depth discussion on the Japanese gaming market.• Identifying what makes gaming companies thrive in Japan. <p>Afternoon Session: Company Visit Sony Headquarters or Panasonic Center Tokyo</p>

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Day 3	<p>Morning Session: Workshop Building and Managing Gaming Communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Techniques for Fostering Communities: Best practices for engagement and management. • Case Studies: Successful gaming community management examples. <p>Afternoon Session: Company Visit Possible Visits: Sega, Toyota Research Institute, Bandai Namco or Konami</p>
Day 4	<p>Morning Session: Workshop AI Workshop at Waseda University Introduction to practical AI and its applications across different industries.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief overview of current AI tools and trends • Live demonstrations or guided activities using AI tools <p>Afternoon Session: Company Visit Possible Visit: AI Startup</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn About Startup Culture: Understand challenges and success strategies in Japan. • Insights into AI Utilisation: How leading gaming companies integrate AI into their products and services. • Future Trends: Exploring the next big trends in AI within the gaming industry.
Day 5	<p>Tokyo Game Show 2025 Attend a technology conference to gain insights into current trends and network with industry professionals.</p>
Day 6	<p>Morning Session: Workshop VR & AI Workshop led by the CEO of a VR company in Japan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply the innovative practices and AI advancements observed during their visits to leading Japanese gaming and technology companies to their own business contexts, fostering sustained innovation and competitive advantage. • Assessment: Participant's trip reflection • Trip Summary and Closing <p>Flight back to Singapore</p>