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President's Message



Hope you're all doing great! There's a lot happening in our community, and I'm here to share some exciting news and updates with you all.

We are proud to announce **Investor Summit 2025**, presented by **TiE SoCal**. We are going to assemble an impressive lineup of speakers, keynotes, and a selected bunch of promising pre-vetted startups. It will be a big deal for everyone who is a part of the startup and entrepreneurial ecosystem in Southern California. Over the last 10 weeks, we've welcomed more than **10 New Charter Members** to our group. They're all amazing people with lots to share. I'd really love it if you could get to know them better, maybe at our **Happy Hours** or at our regular monthly meetups. Speaking of Happy Hours, we've got them every fourth Sunday. They're a lot of fun, so do try to come by.

A big shoutout to **Deepa Pulipati** for making it to the Global TiE Leadership Women Team. We're all super proud!

We're kicking things back into gear with our **TiE Angel Programme**, and we'd love for you to join us.

We are looking for Charter Members wanting to run Zoom sessions for our monthly Knowledge Series; please contact me to discuss and select relevant topics.

Also, a big thanks to our sponsors for renewing their sponsorship, **CHUGH**, **CBC**, **Stradling**, **CTI** and **Jigar Shah** for sticking with us. If anyone else is thinking about getting their business out there to our community, **Venkatesh** and I are the guys to talk to. We can help you figure out how.

The **TiE Silicon Valley** event is coming up on **April 30 -May 02**, and many of us are going. Plus, I'll be at **TiE Kolkata** on March 21 - it would be great to see some familiar faces. The launch of the **TiE Phoenix Chapter** is on April 5th. It's going to be a big day, and if you're interested, let **Venkatesh or me** know.

That's a lot, but it's all good stuff. Let's keep the energy up and make the most of all these opportunities.



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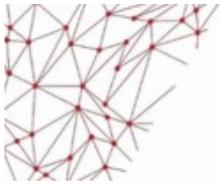
TiE Angel Program

The **TiE Angel Program** is excited to bring back our WhatsApp group, and we're not just welcoming back our previous Charter Members, but also inviting those who are new to the chapter! It's a great opportunity for all members to connect and share ideas about investing in new businesses. If you're new or returning, please join our WhatsApp group to be a part of our vibrant investment community.

TiE Phoenix Chapter Launch

The TiE Phoenix Chapter is kicking off on April 5th. This big event will have many of our Board members there, showing their support for new and growing businesses in Phoenix.

Taking charge, **Kannan Ramachandran** will be the President of this chapter, bringing lots of good opportunities for people with business ideas and those who already run their businesses. This launch is a great start to help people with big dreams get the guidance and help they need to succeed.



Upcoming **TiE SoCal** Events



TiE SoCal Presents Investor Summit 2025

April 28, 2025 - 8:00am - 6:30pm | Los Angeles –

Orange County

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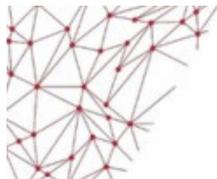
Past Zoom Event Series



Harnessing AI and Technology for Small Businesses

Jan 14, 2025 | 05:00 PM

We're excited to announce that we will be hosting a monthly **Zoom Knowledge Series!** This is a fantastic opportunity for our Charter Members to engage and share their expertise with the community. If you're interested in leading a session, please reach out to Gaurav. We will discuss and select topics that are relevant and beneficial for the session. Don't miss this chance to contribute to our community's learning and growth.



Past **TiE SoCal** Events

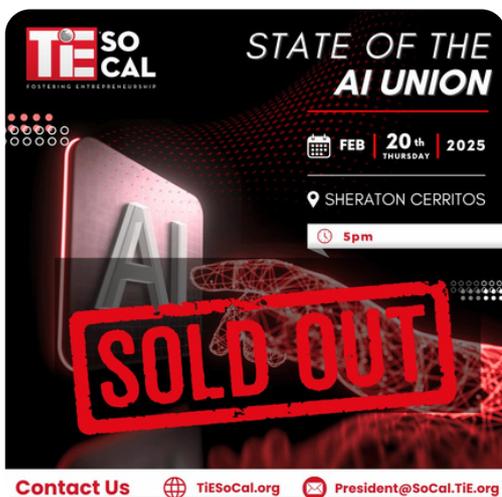


TiE SoCal Happy Hour - February

Feb 23, 2025 - 4:30 pm, Garden Grove, California

- United States

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State of the AI Union

Feb 20, 2025 - 05:00 pm, Cerritos, California -

United States

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What an amazing evening we had at the **State of the AI Union** event! We are excited to share that it was a **sold-out show**! A big thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the vibrant discussions on the transformative power of Artificial Intelligence.

From generative AI breakthroughs to ethical considerations and the rapid industry transformations, our expert panelists delivered an insightful and thought-provoking discussion, leaving us all inspired.

Missed the event or want to relive the experience? Check out the event photos below and see the energy and passion of this incredible gathering.

Photos for **State of the AI Union** Event



ECONOMIC AND TAX OUTLOOK

Date:
January 23, 2025

Venue:
Sheraton Cerritos Hotel
12725 Center Ct Dr S,
Cerritos, CA 90703



Economic and Tax Outlook

Jan 23, 2025 | 4:30pm

Cerritos, California - United States

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In Jan 2025, people got together for an event called Economic and Tax Outlook where they learned about what to expect with money and taxes that year.

Experts talked about what might happen in the economy and how taxes could change, sharing tips to help everyone get ready. This was a chance for people who like to stay ahead and plan for their businesses or personal finances to learn important stuff.

They met others, got good advice, and left feeling better prepared for the year ahead in a simple and clear way.



HAPPY HOUR

Sunday, 26 Jan
4.30 to 6.30 pm

Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que,
The District, Tustin, CA

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THIS YEAR'S
1ST
HAPPY HOUR

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TiE SoCal Happy Hour - January 2025

Jan 26, 2025 | 4:30pm

Tustin, California - United States

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In January 2025, TiE SoCal proudly hosted its first Happy Hour of the year, bringing together both new and existing members in a relaxed atmosphere ideal for building connections within the community.

Held at Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que in The District, Tustin, CA, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm on Sunday, the 26th, this event offered an excellent opportunity for Charter Members and their spouses to enjoy an evening of great food, engaging conversations, and wonderful company.

Attendance was complimentary for Charter Members plus one, emphasizing the organization's appreciation for its members and their significant contributions to the community.

Upcoming TiE Events



TiEcon 2025

April 30-May 2, 2025

Santa Clara Convention Center, California

[Register Now!](#)



TiE CM Retreat 2025

Jul 03 – 06, 2025 | 12:00 PM (EEST)

Tallinn, Harju maakond - Estonia

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TiE Global Summit 2025

Dec 3 - Dec 5, 2025

Jaipur, Rajasthan

Stay tuned for more info



Congratulations for being included in

TiE Women Leadership Team 2025



DEEPA PULIPATI

Founder & Executive Coach
at Tula Coach

Huge congrats to **Deepa Pulipati** for being named a part of the **TiE Women Leadership Team** for 2025! This is a proud moment and a big step forward.

Let's celebrate Deepa's accomplishment and wish her the best as she takes on this new leadership position!

Welcome to Our New Members in 2025

We've got some new faces around! Welcome to everyone who joined us in 2025. From real estate to healthcare and technology, our new members bring a lot of different skills and ideas to the group. We're happy to have each of you with us.

TiE SoCal Charter Members 2025



Aalok Devkota
Founder & Portfolio
Manager of Devkota
Capital Advisors



Arvind Sathi
Director Data
Scientist & AI Literacy
at KPMG US



Jai Ganesh
Bristol Healthcare
Services



Neena Sathi
Applied AI Institute



Rajesh Marar
CEO, CloudArmee

CM Spotlight



SATISH WADHWA

Client Manager
Rackspace



KUNAL MITTAL

Co Founder/ President
Cebod Telecom

Satish Wadhwa: A highly experienced IT Leader who has successfully managed 50+ M P&L for accounts in Healthcare, Financial Services, Manufacturing, Hi-tech vertical. My core expertise is in areas of account management, Client Relationship and P&L Management. Track record of building and delivering IT strategy and road map. Demonstrated ability to achieve outstanding IT and business results in complex organizational environments.

Kunal Mittal: President and Co-Founder of Cebod Telecom that offers businesses a cloud based, feature rich, and a cost effective alternative to regular phone service providers. He has a wealth of experience in infrastructure development, initially as a Design Engineer at Black and Veatch, the working for the City of Tustin. He moved to the VoIP sector in 2005 as the Co-founder and President of DIDforSale before launching Cebod Telecom in June 2014. Kunal has a Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.), degree in Civil Engineering from Thapar Institute of Engineering, and a Technology and Masters degree in Engineering from The Ohio State University.



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