



**EXCLUSIVELY AT MIT SLOAN, CAMBRIDGE (USA):
A CONVERSATION WITH
THE CURRENT AND FORMER PRESIDENTS
OF THE ASIA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS (ASB)**

GLOBAL EXCELLENCE, LOCAL RELEVANCE:

Academic Leadership at the Intersection of AI and Global Fragmentation

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

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JOSEPH CHERIAN
(2025 – Present, ASB)

CEO, President and Dean
Distinguished Professor,
Asia School of Business



SANJAY SARMA
(2023 – 2025, ASB)

Fred Fort Flowers (1941) and Daniel Fort Flowers
(1941) Professor of Mechanical Engineering;
Former Vice President for Open Learning, MIT;
First Dean of Digital Learning, MIT



CHARLES FINE
(2015 – 2022, ASB)

Chrysler Leaders for Global Operations
Professor of Management;
Professor of Operations Management,
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MODERATOR:
ANDREW FOLEY (MBA 2018, ASB)

Assistant Professor of Management
and Organizations, NYU Stern

Business schools increasingly must balance global excellence with deep local relevance. Drawing on leadership experience across both the United States and Asia, this session explores how institutional strategy, governance, research priorities, AI, and talent development differ — and converge — across the most important regions in the world today.

This free-format conversation with the current and former Presidents of the Asia School of Business, all with strong affiliations to MIT, reflects on what American universities can learn from Asia's growth trajectory, and how Asian institutions can engage globally while remaining true to their regional mission and societal purpose.

Attendees who are in the Boston area are warmly encouraged to join in person; a virtual participation option is also available. We would be delighted to see you there!