

Suzhou centre to help AI start-ups break into China

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Start-ups working on artificial intelligence (AI) will now have a centre in Suzhou to help them venture into the Chinese market.

Besides offering one-stop

services for the start-ups, the centre aims to incubate 15 innovative companies in its first five years and promote National University of Singapore (NUS) technologies.

The NUS Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Commercialisation Centre is a \$20 million collaboration

between NUS and Suzhou Industrial Park Administrative Committee.

It will start operating next month, focusing on advancing AI research, innovation, application and commercialisation in various areas, including healthcare, financial technology and smart city,

NUS said in a statement.

The centre will also give NUS students opportunities for internship stints as well as lectures and symposiums to connect professionals in the artificial intelligence field.

The centre will be working with Block71 Suzhou – a business hub

for innovators and entrepreneurs managed by NUS Enterprise – to improve NUS commercialisation technologies.

NUS' acting president, Professor Tan Eng Chye, said: "This new NUS AI centre, our first in China, will foster deeper scientific and industrial exchange between Singapore and Suzhou, as well as catalyse new technology and breakthroughs."

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