SSB Special Lecture Series 2015 is here!

Singapore-Stanford Biodesign (SSB) is a joint partnership between the Agency for Science, Technology & Research (A*STAR), the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB), and Stanford University’s Program in Biodesign. SSB’s goal is to nurture and train the next generation of medical device innovators for Singapore and Asia.

Special Lecture Series is a SSB hosted event for medtech innovators and enthusiasts in Singapore. Every year we bring thought leaders from around the world to share their knowledge and experience with the medtech community in Singapore.

This year we proudly bring you two prominent speakers – Mr Manny Villafana (founder of St. Jude Medical Inc.) and Mr Tom Kelley (Partner at IDEO).

Theme: Innovations in Cardiac Surgery
By Mr Manny Villafana on 29th July 2015

Theme: Leading with Creative Confidence
By Mr Tom Kelley on 28th August 2015

As we have limited seats available, please register by clicking [here](#) by 15 July 2015.

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Hope to see you there!

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Manuel (Manny) A. Villafañawill be speaking on Wednesday, **29 July, 4:00pm to 6:00pm** at Breakthrough LT, Level 4, Matrix Building, Biopolis (30 Biopolis St, 138671).

With more than 50 years experience in the medical device industry, Manny’s contributions to the cardiovascular field are numerous. They include the first lithium pacemaker, the first all-pyrolytic carbon heart valve, as well as, further important refinements to central-flow design of prosthetic valves, and with Kips Bay, the first commercially available support system for saphenous veins used in CABG surgery.

Manny started his career with Medtronic, Inc., as its first international sales administrator. He is the Founder of Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc. (Guidant Corp) and served as its President and Chairman from 1972 to 1976. He is the Founder of St. Jude Medical, Inc. and served as its Chairman and President from 1976 to 1982. He is a Co-Founder of GV Medical, Inc., a company formed to develop, manufacture and market the LASTAC System. He served as the Chairman of the Board of CABG Medical, Inc. and GV Medical, Inc. He also served as Chairman of the Board and Founder of ATS Medical, Inc., now a part of Medtronic, Inc.

Manny has received numerous awards and honors for his accomplishments, including the “Living Legend of Medicine” award from the World Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons.

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Leading with Creative Confidence

Tom Kelley, Partner of the world renowned design and innovation firm IDEO, will be speaking on Friday, 28 August, 3:30pm to 5.30pm at Breakthrough LT, Level 4, Matrix Building, Biopolis (30 Biopolis St, 138671).

Tom is a Partner at IDEO, a global design and innovation firm that helps clients create new products, services, environments, and experiences. He is author of The Art of Innovation, The Ten Faces of Innovation, and the New York Times bestseller, Creative Confidence. Tom is also a leading innovation speaker, regularly addressing business audiences around the globe on how to foster a culture of innovation and tap into the creative potential of their organisations. Tom’s views are frequently included in media outlets including Harvard Business Review, New York Times, and Fast Company. For his work on innovation and his deep interest in Asian business, Tom recently appeared on the cover of Forbes Japan.

Over the years, Tom has spoken in more than 30 countries, while helping IDEO grow from 15 designers to a staff of more than 600. He has met with more than 1,500 client companies to help them apply the tools of design thinking and innovation in support of their business strategies. Tom first visited Singapore in 1984, and returned for an extended stay in 1985 to consult with Singapore Airlines on innovations in engineering and maintenance operations.

Tom earned his MBA at UC Berkeley, where he serves as the first-ever Executive Fellow at the Haas School of Business. Tom is also an Executive Fellow at the University of Tokyo.

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