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Presidents' Dialogue: Visions for Data-Driven Sustainability in Higher Education

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of moderating a panel discussion entitled "Presidents' Dialogue: Visions for Data-Driven Sustainability in Higher Education" at the QS EduData Summit 2025 in Singapore, featuring my esteemed colleagues:

- Prof. Pooi See Lee Vice President (International Engagement),
- Nanyang Technological University Singapore
- Prof. Barry Winn Vice Chancellor, Taylor's University
- Dr. Abraham Mendoza Andrade Rector, Universidad Panamericana

Data-driven sustainability in higher education involves leveraging technology and data analytics to promote eco-friendly practices and decision-making. Here are some key questions we covered:

- 1. How can university leadership encourage a culture of sustainability informed by data?
- 2. What role does data play in shaping the sustainability strategies of our institutions?
- 3. What are the biggest challenges we face in implementing datadriven sustainability practices?
- 4. What emerging technologies do we believe will have the most impact on sustainability in higher education?
- 5. What metrics do we use to measure the success of sustainability initiatives?
- 6. What policy changes are necessary to foster a data-driven approach to sustainability?

I really enjoyed the very informative and engaging discussion. When I asked Professor Pooi See Lee about her preference for data or wisdom, her brilliant answer was "wisdomised data".

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