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Priya is based in Singapore and she manages Public Policy and Regulatory affairs across the APAC region. She has demonstrated expertise in distilling regulatory and geopolitical challenges into decisive, board-ready commercial strategies. Recognized as a trusted leader adept at uniting policymakers and industry stakeholders to co-create pro-innovation environments spanning the digital economy, cybersecurity, and international trade.

**Professional Experience**

Head of APAC Public Policy & Regulatory Counsel, Verizon Business | Singapore | January 2017 – Present

- Pioneered and directed all APAC regulatory strategy and compliance across over 15 diverse markets, providing expert counsel to internal and external multinational clients on complex market expansion, product rollout, geopolitical and trade matters.
- Proactively managed critical market-access risks, supply-chain issues, and navigated FDI/investment screening regimes to safeguard and strategically expand Verizon's business interests throughout the region.
- Translated intricate regional regulatory shifts into pragmatic, board-level strategies and actionable compliance roadmaps, working in close collaboration with US/Global leadership.
- Spearheaded the APAC Digital Economy & Cybersecurity agenda, encompassing high-stakes policy development and advocacy in critical areas including:
  - AI Governance and Emerging Technologies- focus on risk based approach
  - Data Privacy, Cross-Border Data Flows, and Data Localization
  - Telecom, Cloud, and Critical Information Infrastructure (CII) Regulation
  - Incident Response/Readiness and Anti-Scam Policies
- Cultivated and maintained strong relationships as a trusted interlocutor with key policymakers, regulatory bodies, and influential industry groups, consistently convening stakeholders to achieve balanced, pro-innovation regulatory outcomes.
- Before Verizon, Priya Mahajan held leadership roles at major telecom and tech companies like Bharti Airtel. Her experience covers market trends, tech & regulatory advancements giving her a strong skill set in driving the right policy outcomes for the business within the telecommunications and technology sectors.

## **Leadership & Industry Impact**

- Ex-President, Asia Pacific Carriers Coalition (APCC) – Demonstrated leadership in shaping regional telecom policy.
- Outgoing Co-Chair, AmCham Singapore's Cybersecurity Committee – Led a highly influential committee driving cybersecurity initiatives.
- Internal Recognition: Recipient of Verizon's prestigious Ovation Award and maintained consecutive top performance ratings, highlighting consistent excellence and significant contributions.

## **Education & Certifications**

- Certified Information Privacy Professional (CIPP/A) – Specialization: Asia
- LLB (Bachelor of Laws)
- Associate Company Secretary- ICSI
- BA (Political Science & Economics)

### **Volunteer Teacher (2021-Present)**

- Organization: Itsrainingraincoats, Singapore
- Role: Dedicated volunteer teacher providing educational support to migrant workers.
- Responsibilities:
  - Designed and delivered engaging lessons tailored to the specific needs and learning levels of migrant workers.
  - Taught essential subjects such as English language proficiency, basic literacy, numeracy skills, and cultural integration.
  - Created a supportive and inclusive learning environment, fostering confidence and encouraging active participation among students.
- Impact: Empowered migrant workers with vital skills, enhancing their ability to navigate daily life, access opportunities, and integrate more effectively into the local community.