AI ENGINEER SHANGHAI 2026

Conference program

November 5-6, 2026

Hilton Shanghai Hongqiao

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Date	Stage	Shanghai time (UTC+8)
November 5	Main stage	09:30-17:50
November 5	AI applications breakout	13:45-17:00
November 6	Main stage	10:00-17:50

Thursday · November 5

Open models, agents & infrastructure

Inference and evaluation, agent runtimes, search and data systems. A parallel afternoon breakout explores personal agents, enterprise applications and creative tools.

Friday · November 6

World models, physical AI & AI-native products

Spatial intelligence, generative video, manufacturing AI, real-time voice, embodied AI and on-device models, plus a conversation on AI startups and investment.

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Online program · Speakers

Mainland China tickets: Huodongxing · International tickets: Luma

November 5 | Main stage

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09:30 09:35	Welcome	
09:35 09:45	**Shawn “swyx” Wang** Video opening	Opening with swyx · Video
09:45 10:10	**Marco Casalaina** Microsoft	From Models to Working Enterprise Agents Topic subject to speaker confirmation
10:10 10:25	**Clemens Rawert** Langfuse by ClickHouse	Building Agents: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow
10:25 10:45	**Ryo Lu** ex-Cursor	When we can do anything, do we still know what we want?
10:45 10:50	Break	
10:50 11:10	**David Li & Alex Triplett** You.com	Post-Training at the Frontier: Teaching Open Models to Search and Browse the Web
11:10 11:25	**Chen Wang** Baseten	Full-Stack Inference Engineering: Latency, Throughput and Cost
11:25 11:40	**Chen Peng** Arena	Measure the frontier of AI for real world use
11:40 13:00	Lunch · On your own	

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13:00 13:40	**AJ** WaytoAGI · Founder **Koji** Crossing · Founder; Venture Partner, Zhenfund **Kai Qu** 42 Chapters · Founder & CEO Moderator: 高宁 Linkloud	Community in the AI era
13:40 13:45	Break	
13:45 14:05	**Ailing Teng** StepFun	From Model Intelligence to Agent Harness: Enabling Long-Horizon Agents
14:05 14:25	**Vincent Koc** OpenClaw Foundation	Dark Factory to Lobsterville: Intent Engineering for Persistent Multiplayer Agents
14:25 14:30	Break	
14:30 14:50	**Alex** AutoArk	On-Device AI: Bringing Intelligence Closer to Everyone
14:50 15:10	**Mislav Ivanda** Daytona	Kubernetes Is Not Your Sandbox
15:10 15:30	**Fan Bin** Manus AI	AI-Native Work at Manus: One Monorepo, Open Tasks
15:30 15:35	Break	

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15:35 15:55	**Jakub Hojsan** Exa	Powering open source personal agents with Exa search
15:55 16:15	**Rentong Guo** Zilliz	Your Agent's Memory Is Next Quarter's Training Data
16:15 16:35	**Xinghong Fang** Optiver	Building a reliable, multi-region LLM gateway
16:35 16:40	Break	
16:40 17:00	**Lux Li** TiDB / PingCAP	Nobody Planned AI Infra: How AI Builders Pushed a Database Beyond the Database
17:00 17:10	Break	
17:10 17:25	**Do Tuan Anh** Techcombank	Optimizing Organization-Wide LLM Inference Cost: Seat License, Pay-per-Token, or Provisioned, and Beyond
17:25 17:35	**Tinsley Shi** Google	**Rapid Fire · Model systems** Reinforcement Learning at Scale on Agent Substrate: Orchestrating Millions of Sandboxes
17:35 17:45	**Tang Feihu (Xiaodao Laoshi)** Kimi / Moonshot AI	Life of a Game Developer in AI era
17:45 17:50	Day 1 close	

November 5 | AI applications breakout

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13:45 14:05	**Baoping Wang (Yubo)** YouMind	Building a Personal Agent for Growth with YouMind
14:05 14:20	**Joey Wang** Harvey	Trust Your Own Evals, Not the Leaderboard: What 10k+ Internal Agent PRs Taught Us About Adopting Open Models
14:20 14:35	**Andy Wang** Dify	Beyond the Pilot: Managing Your 500th AI Agent
14:35 14:40	Break	
14:40 14:55	**Robert Pei** Visa	Beyond Reasoning: Building Infrastructure for AI Agents That Act
14:55 15:10	**Peng Gong** Meta / Instagram	Beyond Screenshots: Building Agent-Native Verification for Mobile Apps
15:10 15:20	**Davin YC Dong** Cookiy Labs	Agentic Harness: Real-Time Audio and Video AI Interviews Topic subject to speaker confirmation
15:20 15:30	Break	
15:30 15:40	**Roman Shirochenko** Agoda (Booking Holdings)	Your Repo. Your Benchmark.

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15:40 15:50	**Alyssa Lee** DataHub	Trusted Context: Building the Layer Between Enterprise Data and AI Agents
15:50 16:10	**Peter Hoffmann** Data4Life Asia	The Harness Is the First Reviewer
16:10 16:15	Break	
16:15 16:35	**Harrison Zhao** DatusAI	Your Data Agent Needs More Than a Knowledge Graph -- From Semantic Layers to Executable Ontologies with Apache Ossie
16:35 16:45	**Sac** Independent	From Idea to Viral Launch: How I Built a 3D Little Prince Game with AI
16:45 16:55	**Susan Peng** AhaCreator	From Matching to Delivery: Scaling Creator Partnerships with AI
16:55 17:00	Breakout close	

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10:00 10:05	Welcome	
10:05 10:25	**Christoph Lassner** World Labs	Taxonomy of World Models
10:25 10:45	**Bin Liu** HeyGen	HTML is all your agents need: Redefining Context Engineering
10:45 11:05	**Ying Yang** CHILING CHUANYUE TECHNOLOGY	AGI is decoding. Encoding is the moat.
11:05 11:10	Break	
11:10 11:25	**Shihui Zhu** HICAP Group	AI in Manufacturing: The Last Mile Is Half the Journey
11:25 11:40	**James Hush** Daily.co	Trusting Evals I Can’t Read
11:40 11:50	**Satvik Sinha** AICET, NUS	The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: What 3,000 live sessions taught us about streaming speech-to-text
11:50 13:15	Lunch · On your own	

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13:15 13:55	**Yusen Dai** ZhenFund **Harry Wang** Linear Capital **Patrick Liu** TaoZ Capital Moderator: Bibi Xiaosheng Bibi / 第二次用火	AI startups: products, markets & what comes next
13:55 14:15	**Ronny He** MiniMax	Stronger Models, Leaner Harnesses: What to Control and What to Let Go
14:15 14:30	**何文智** AiMoga Robotics	Beyond Vision-Language-Action: First Principles for Building Physical AI
14:30 14:35	Break	
14:35 14:50	**Gavin Luo** VAST / Tripo AI	From 3D Generation to World Models: Building Persistent Interactive Worlds for Physical AI
14:50 15:05	**Leonie Monigatti** Liquid AI	How We're Building Open Decision Models for On-Device Agents
15:05 15:25	**Mingke Luo** masons.ai	Communication Among Sovereign Agents: The Foundation of Agent Economy
15:25 15:30	Break	
15:30 15:50	**Dicong "David" Qiu** QuantSparkle.ai 数耀量生	Real2Real: A Quantum Embodied AI Paradigm for Optimal Behaviors Generation

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15:50 16:05	**Jun Lv** Noematrix	Noe-0: A World Action Model Built on Real-World Human Experience
16:05 16:20	**Zhong Shen** DYNA	Building Robot Hardware for Rapidly Evolving Models
16:20 16:25	Break	
16:25 16:40	**Grace Li** 1Password	Talk to be announced
16:40 16:50	**Hao Zheng** Futuring Robot	From Hardware to Intelligence: Full-Stack Evolution and Real-World Deployment of Home Service Robots
16:50 17:00	Break	
17:00 17:10	**Ding Hao (Xuanwo)** LanceDB	**Rapid Fire · Data, memory & context** Robot Data Needs a Build System
17:10 17:20	**Siwei Gu** Nowledge Labs, Inc	Memory Engineering, RSI and Team Knowledge Layer
17:20 17:30	**Yanlong Wang** Jina AI by Elastic	Reading the Web at Trillion-Token Scale
17:30 17:50	Closing ceremony	