



## Note From The President

Dear TiE SoCal members and well-wishers,

Happy New Year! We hope that you had a restful and enjoyable holiday season and are feeling refreshed and ready for all that the new year has in store.

Last year, 2022, was a fantastic year we have had here at TiE SoCal. We would like to mention a few highlights here:

- Our ***angel investing initiative*** was a resounding success. Monthly startup pitches have been strong, with some truly innovative and impactful ideas being presented. Our fund and angel investors were able to invest in some very promising startups.
- We also announced the launch of the **first-ever women-focused angel fund in the history of TiE!** This fund is a testament to our commitment to diversity and inclusion, and we believe that it will be a powerful catalyst for change in the entrepreneurial ecosystem. We believe that this fund will not only benefit the companies that receive investment but will also help to ***pave the way for more women to succeed as entrepreneurs.***
- The Investor Summit in August was a resounding success, with a record turnout and some truly insightful and valuable discussions. Many presenting startups got funded through TiE and through other investor groups that were present at the summit.

together some of the most influential players in the entrepreneurial world.

- We added a **record number of new Charter Members** as well this year.

Overall, it has been a fantastic year for TiE SoCal, and we want to take this opportunity to thank every one of you for your contributions and support.

We are excited to announce that we have an action-packed schedule of events planned for the year ahead, covering a wide range of topics and featuring guest speakers from various industries. These events provide valuable networking opportunities and the chance to learn from the experiences of successful entrepreneurs and business leaders.

***With our monthly pitch session, TiE SoCal Connect zooms, in-person monthly knowledge series, and networking events, there will be something happening each week at TiE SoCal.***

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and to supporting you in your professional growth and development. We also ***invite you all to join us as volunteers, program leads, investors, mentors, or in whatever other capacity you would like to participate*** in. Together, we can achieve and give back so much more. Here's to a prosperous year for all of our members!

#### Thank You

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**TIE SO CAL**  
FOSTERING ENTREPRENEURSHIP

# TIE SOCIAL CONNECT

*2nd Wednesday of every month*

**5:30 PM**

[@TiESoCal](#) [#fosteringentrepreneurship](#)

**WHEN** - January 11, 2023 at 5:30 pm (PST)

**WHERE** - [Online Zoom Meeting](#)

We are bringing back something we used to regularly do at the beginning of the pandemic as a means to casually get together and connect with our members.

sharing their news/views on current topics, events, shows they visited, present/pose any issues they might need help with, etc., etc. A free form town-hall (slightly moderated) meetup.

The first one will be this Wednesday 11th January at 5:30 pm.

## AGENDA

- New CM introductions
- CM inputs on TiE Global Summit, and CES experiences and learning
- Open Mic

[Register Here](#)



The graphic features the logo for TI E SO CAL ANGELS in the top left corner. The central illustration shows three business professionals: a woman in a blue blazer and dark skirt on the left, a man in a dark suit in the center holding a clipboard, and a man in a white shirt and tie on the right holding a folder. A large magnifying glass is positioned over the man in the center, focusing on a profile picture of a man with a green checkmark. Below the magnifying glass are two circular icons: a green one with a white checkmark and a pink one with a white 'X'. The background is split into a white left half and a red right half. At the bottom, the text 'Monthly Pitch Event' is written in large, bold, red letters. In the bottom left corner, there is a small icon of a mouse cursor pointing to the URL 'HTTPS://TIESOCALANGELS.COM'.

**TI E SO CAL ANGELS**

**Monthly Pitch Event**

[HTTPS://TIESOCALANGELS.COM](https://TIESOCALANGELS.COM)

TiE SoCal Angels team is excited to bring our popular Startup Pitching event online. We are going to have 4 awesome startups pitch their business plan, idea, product, and fund request in front of our panel of industry leaders and investors.

### **If you are interested in pitching your startup**

Please apply at the [TiE SoCal Angels website](#). When you go to the website, please review our philosophy, investment process, and partner list.

### **Who should attend and see the pitches?**

If you have an early-stage or startup company, are an aspiring entrepreneur, an angel investor or venture capitalist, a family office manager, a corporate VC, or a supporter of the entrepreneurial ecosystem, this is the event for you!

As the event gets closer, we will share the name and information about the selected startups.

[Register Here](#)

**WHY OPENAI'S NEW CHATGPT WILL CHANGE THE FUTURE OF EVERY INDUSTRY**

**JAN 21ST EVENING 5:30 PM TO 8 PM**  
**SHERATON, CERRITOS**

**SAMEER SINGH**  
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, UC IRVINE

**VIBHANSHU ABHISHEK**  
CO-FOUNDER AND CEO, ALLTIUS

**TIÉ SO CAL**  
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**WHERE** - [Sheraton, Cerritos](#)

Join us for an exciting evening as we explore the ways in which **OpenAI's new ChatGPT** technology is poised to revolutionize industries across the board. Our panel of experts will delve into the capabilities of this innovative chatbot and how it is set to transform the way we work and communicate.

During the event, there will be opportunities for **networking and discussion**, as well as a **wine and dinner reception** for attendees. Don't miss this chance to learn about the exciting developments in artificial intelligence and how they will shape the future.

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This event at the start of the year will also be an important gathering of the TiE SoCal to set **things in motion for the year 2023**. The purpose will be to review the progress made in 2022, discuss challenges and successes, and set goals and objectives for the year 2023. Let's work together to develop a cohesive strategy and continue the good work we are doing.

**AGENDA**

- **5:30 pm to 6:30 pm** - Registration, Networking and Dinner
- **6:30 pm** - TiE SoCal Updates
- **7:00 pm** - Why OpenAI's new ChatGPT will change the future of every industry?

**SPEAKERS**

- [Sameer Singh](#) (Associate Professor at UC Irvine)
- [Vibhanshu Abhishek](#) (Co-Founder and CEO, Alltius)

[Register Here](#)

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**WHEN** - Wednesday January 25, 2023 at 5:30 pm (PST)

**WHERE** - Online Zoom Event, [Register Here!](#)

Join us for a dynamic online event as we delve into the many compelling reasons to do business with India. Our panel of experts will highlight four fresh and exciting opportunities in the Indian market, and provide insights into how your company can tap into this vibrant and growing economy.

This interactive Zoom event will include Q&A sessions and opportunities for discussion, as well as information on how to get started with business in India. Whether you are a small startup or a large corporation, this event is not to be missed for anyone looking to expand their business and explore new opportunities.

### **SPEAKERS**

- [Navneet Chugh](#) (Attorney, CPA, The Chugh Firm)
- [Gunjan Bagla](#) (CEO, Amritt, Inc.)
- [Nikhil Mendhi](#) (President & COO, Exponential AI)

[Register Here](#)

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**TiE SoCal ANGELS**

*TiE SoCal Angels and WFN*

**PITCH EVENT**

WOMEN FOUNDERS NETWORK  
TiE Community Partner

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023**  
5.30PM - 8.30PM

California State University, Long Beach  
1250 Bellflower Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90840

**WHEN** - Wednesday February 22, 2023 at 5:30 pm (PST)

**WHERE** - [California State University, Long Beach](#)

The TiE SoCal Angels and Women Founders Network (WFN) is excited to announce a new pitch competition for women-founded and co-founded startups! This event, organized by the TiE SoCal Women Leadership Committee in association with WFN, aims to support and uplift the innovative ideas of women in the business world.

We have had the pleasure of discovering some truly exceptional startups through our past pitch competitions, and we are thrilled to have the opportunity to showcase even more talented women in this new series of events.

All women-founded or co-founded companies are welcome to participate in the Pitch Competition. This is a fantastic opportunity to pitch your company to investors and get valuable feedback on your business idea.

We encourage all women entrepreneurs to seize this chance to showcase their hard work and dedication to their craft. This is a unique opportunity to network with like-minded individuals and potentially secure funding for your company.



*ideas that the talented women of the business world have to offer!*

[Founder Registration](#)

[Attendee Registration](#)

The graphic features the TiE SoCal Angels logo at the top left. The main title 'TIE SOCIAL ANGELS INVESTOR SUMMIT' is prominently displayed in the center. Below the title, a 'SPONSORS' section lists logos for CHUGH, CB&C, PPA, UP STARTUP, a portrait of a man, Stradling, and SUNSTONE. At the bottom, the website 'tieinvestorsummit.com' and the event details 'APRIL 6, 2023 8 AM TO 6 PM' are provided. The background is a dark blue silhouette of a crowd of people, with a circular inset showing a blurred night scene of a city or event.

**WHEN** - Thursday, April 6, 2023 (8 am – 6 pm PST)

**WHERE** - [Sheraton, Cerritos](#)

TiE SoCal Angels Investor Summit is one of the largest gatherings of venture capitalists, angels, family offices, and individual investors in Southern California.

### **Why Attend?**

Held at the prestigious Sheraton, Cerritos, this event is the “must- attend” event for investors as well as startups looking to build long-lasting

**200+ Investors** will attend this event including venture capital firms, angel investors, family offices, and individual investors.

All investors are screened prior to receiving admission. Fewer than 100 startups are issued tickets for admission, 20 startup tables are available and only 10 companies will be allowed to pitch.

### **WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

Startups from the following industries: Fin-Tech, Bio-Tech, AI/ML, Big Data, Cyber Security, Cannabis, Blockchain, Health and Wellness, Media/Entertainment, Gaming, CPG and Enterprise Software.

### **SUMMIT PROGRAM & FEATURES**

Access to funding resources Present your business ideas to investors Virtual profile with videos One-on-one meetings maximize exposure.

[Buy Tickets](#)



**NEW CHARTER MEMBERS**



George Tierney



Mahesh Chand



Vibhanshu  
Abhishek



Meena  
Radhakrishnan



Jinger Koyle



Subba Rao  
Gopavarapu



Dr. Sunil Goyal



Manish Drona



Nalin Bhatt



Maesha Merchant

Become TiE SoCal Charter Member



[Mahesh Mike Patel](#)

Charter Member Chair



PAST EVENTS

**TiEcon Southwest 2022, TiE SoCal's annual entrepreneurial conference held at Sheraton, Cerritos, CA, on November 13 was a Sold-out event.**

It brought a large number of industry experts, Angels, VCs, Entrepreneurs and Startup Founders together to network and learn from thought leaders on various topics. The event hosted over **300 attendees, over 30 exhibitors and 15 speakers** across a range of interesting topics.

TiEcon Southwest 2022 featured several sessions that covered a wide range of topics, including:

- The Unsold Mindset
- Future Trends in Blockchain
- Opportunities for Entrepreneurs in 2023 and beyond, and
- A dedicated session for business networking

***Here are a few glimpses of the event:***













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# HOLIDAY

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 **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** 

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<b>Mcbride High School</b> 7025 Parkcrest Street Long Beach, CA 90808	



# HOT MEAL DRIVE

## Call For Thanksgiving Prep:

**SUNDAY, NOV 20, 2022**

Preparing 5000 meals

**THURSDAY, NOV 24, 2022**

Preparing 2000 meals

**SANATAN MANDIR**

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**Announcing TiE University Program**



## Empower **college** students with the tools to become **entrepreneurs**



Our chapter has launched the TiE University program this fall with Charter Member Hemant Kurani leading this effort. TiE University program empowers college students with the tools to become entrepreneurs. TiE University is a program of TiE Global with the objective of fostering entrepreneurship among college/university students and recent graduates. It brings together college students, entrepreneurs, investors and institutions on one common platform and facilitates learning. It is a comprehensive ecosystem of stakeholders from the entrepreneurial ecosystem which works on enabling campus ideas to transform into viable businesses.

Please reach out to our **TiE University Programs Chair, Hemant Kurani (951 907-2575)** to participate in this exciting new program to help budding college entrepreneurs.



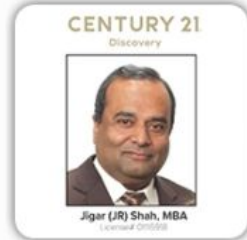
[Hemant Kurani](#)

**TiE University Programs Chair**





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