Scientists, researchers to gather in Singapore for summit

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Provided by Channel NewsAsia Sir Andre Geim, who was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 2010, speaking at the Global Young Scientists Summit in 2014. (Photo: National Research Foundation)

Close to 300 young scientists and researchers from across the globe will gather in Singapore next week to engage with some of the world's top scientific minds.

They will be taking part in the third Global Young Scientists Summit (GYSS), organised by the National Research Foundation, to be held at the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) from Jan 19 to 23.

The five-day interdisciplinary program brings together 20 leading scientists who have been awarded the Nobel Prize, Fields Medal, Millenium Technology Prize and Turing Award in their respective fields. They will touch on key areas in science, research and technology innovation through a series of lectures, panel discussions and public dialogues. Members of the public can attend free public lectures held by the speakers at the National University of Singapore, Singapore Management University, Science Centre Singapore and the National Library.

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The winner of this year's Singapore Challenge will also be announced by President Tony Tan Keng Yam at the closing ceremony of the conference.

Nine projects have been selected out of a total of 55 proposals to promote active ageing in Singapore. The shortlisted participants will make their final pitches to a panel of judges on the final day of the summit.

The scientist with the most compelling research proposal will walk away with a cash prize of US\$100,000 (S\$133,500) and a gold medallion.