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THIS WEEK'S TOPIC: What Budget measures are needed as the focus shifts from emergency support back to growth?

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The pandemic accelerated the need for businesses and industries to digitally augment. As Singapore grapples with moving beyond Covid-19 and its variants, technology will continue to play a key role in the next chapter of our economic growth. Deep tech, in particular, will help tide the pandemic-induced disruptions and result in productivity and efficiency gains, creating higher-paying skilled jobs. Whether it's organisations or startups operating in technologies such as 5G, artificial intelligence, digital twin tech or robotics, there need to be policies and upskilling investments to help foster a thriving innovative ecosystem. This will help strengthen Singapore's position as a global tech hub and, in turn, drive economic growth.