Annex I: Chronology

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The chronology lists the principal dates in the history of Singapore as a place of trade and finance, from the first Chinese and Javanese records of Temasek in the fourteenth century to the autumn of 2026. Each entry refers to the chapter that explains it and cites its sources. The first four sections follow the chronological Parts A to D. The later sections follow the thematic Parts E to K, each in date order, so that a reader interested in arbitration, commodity trading or crypto-assets finds the relevant dates together.

The parallel volume on Geneva contains a chronology built on the same principles. Read side by side, the two lists show how differently the two centres arrived at a similar position: Geneva through four centuries of private banking within a federal state, Singapore through a free port, a colonial legal order and, after 1965, a developmental state that built its financial institutions deliberately. Where the sources diverge on a date, the entry gives the variants or the date that the chapter adopts. Law and data are stated as at September 2026, with some later developments up to early November 2026.

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