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Digital Innovation Dialogue 2018

HOW IS INDIA EMERGING AS A DESTINATION FOR DIGITAL INNOVATION?

Tuesday, November 13th 2018

10.15 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Embassy of Switzerland, Nyaya Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

Program

10.15 Registration / Coffee

10.45 Opening Remarks

By Dr. Andreas Baum, Ambassador of Switzerland to India and Bhutan

11.00 Keynote Address

By Prof. Dr. Manu Kapur, Professor and Chair of Learning Sciences and Higher Education at ETH Zurich, Switzerland, speaks on "Productive Failure"

11.30 Interactive Panel Discussion, followed by Q&A

Moderated by Mrs. Anuradha Goyal, Author of "The Mouse Charmers – Digital Pioneers of India"

Panelists:

- Mr. Alok Medikepura Anil, Founder and Director, Next Big Innovation Labs, India
- Mr. Akilur Rahman, Chief Technology Officer ABB, India
- Mr. Gagan Sabharwal, Senior Director NASSCOM, India
- Mrs. Sandra Tobler, Co-Founder and CEO Futuræ Technologies AG, Switzerland
- Mr. Saumya Tyagi, Marketing Director Tetra Pak, South Asia Markets

12.30 Networking lunch



MR. ALOK MEDIKEPURA ANIL

Founder and Director, Next Big Innovation Labs, India

Alok Medikepura Anil is a member of World Economic Forum's (WEF) Expert Network and Global Shapers Community. He is working at the intersection of various fields that can deploy Fourth Industrial Revolution Technologies to create products for social good. India's first 3D Bioprinting platform (Next Big Innovation Labs) to leapfrog innovation in the field of precision medicine is one such initiative. Next Big Innovation Labs is building technology required to create lab-grown transplantable organs. Alok's vision to contribute to the "Make in India" initiative, is to leverage on the vast talent pool and thriving ecosystem in India, create bridges for mutual collaboration between countries such as Switzerland through his participation in Indo-Swiss Future Leaders Forum and enable industry adoption of new age technologies through WEF's to be launched Uplink platform.



PROF. DR. MANU KAPUR

Professor and Chair of Learning Sciences and Higher Education at ETH Zurich, Switzerland

Manu Kapur is currently a Professor and Chair of Learning Sciences and Higher Education at ETH Zurich, Switzerland. Prior to joining ETH Zürich, he was a Professor of Psychological Studies at The Education University of Hong Kong (EduHK). Manu also worked as the Head of Learning Sciences Lab (LSL) at the National Institute of Education (NIE) of Singapore. He conceptualized the notion of "Productive Failure" and used it to explore the hidden efficacies in the seemingly failed efforts of small groups solving complex problems collaboratively in an online environment. An engineer by bachelors training, Manu received his doctorate in instructional technology and media from Teachers College, Columbia University in New York, where he also completed a Master of Science in Applied Statistics. Manu directed an interactive and digital media R&D program at the Ministry of Education of Singapore to jumpstart research on interactive and digital media in education in Singapore.



MR. AKILUR RAHMAN

Chief Technology Officer, ABB India

Akilur Rahman, CTO - ABB India has more than 29 years of experience in research, business R&D, technology management, engineering, business and product development in ABB. He has a Master's degree in Technology from IIT Kharagpur with strong experience in power and automation technologies for utilities and industries. He has held various international and global roles in India, Germany and Switzerland. Akilur was responsible for building up ABB's global software product development in India. He led global engineering and cyber security in process automation, and ABB's Corporate Research in Bangalore. As CTO ABB India, he is leading ABB's core technologies, automation, robotics, AI-ML, Industrial IoT and Digitalization enhancing customer values and user experience. Akilur has been a speaker and panelist at various international and national conferences.



MR. GAGAN SABHARWAL

Senior Director, Global Trade Development, NASSCOM, India

Gagan Sabharwal, Senior Director of NASSCOM leads the International Trade Policy initiative and is Head of Strategic Market initiatives for the industry. He heads the relationship with Japan, China & Germany in creating Digital Cooperation in the field of IOT, Big Data, AI, Robotics Process Automation, Industry 4.0. He also oversees policy affairs work for US, EU, UK, Canada and various other markets. Gagan has been with NASSCOM since 2008. He has rich experience of more than 22 years out of which 15 years has been with IT-BPO industry. At NASSCOM he represents industry's views at various business and bilateral forums.



MRS. SANDRA TOBLER

Co-Founder and CEO Futurae Technologies AG, Switzerland

Futurae Technologies AG is focusing on cybersecurity that is improving the customer experience via Machine Learning. Sandra is an entrepreneur who worked in the IT space for many years. She worked for IBM in international roles (amongst others in Jaipur, India). She then joined the Swiss Economic Promotion Agency where she built the expertise on the IT industry. In parallel, she consulted Swiss IT companies with internationalisation projects. Sandra was also responsible for their office in San Francisco. In 2017 she founded Futurae together with two PHD scholars from the Cybersecurity group of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology ETH Zurich with the goal of bringing future-proof invisible end-user authentication to everyone.



MR. SAUMYA TYAGI

Marketing Director Tetra Pak, South Asia Markets

Mr. Saumya Tyagi is part of the leadership team for Tetra Pak South Asia Markets and is also a member of the Management Committee of the Indian Beverage Association (IBA). He is a seasoned business professional with close to 15 years of experience in the sales and marketing domain. Prior to joining Tetra Pak, he has worked extensively in Sales & Marketing, in the consumer goods sector with renowned organizations, including L'Oreal, Colgate Palmolive and Conagra Foods. Saumya Tyagi received his Master's degree in Business Administration from the Institute of Management Technology (I.M.T.), Ghaziabad.



MODERATOR

MRS. ANURADHA GOYAL

Anuradha Goyal is the author of the best-selling business book "The Mouse Charmers - Digital Pioneers of India" that documents the business biographies of pioneering digital companies of India. She authors the award-winning Travel Blog - IndiTales. Her book reviews blog "AnuReviews" has over 600 books reviewed across genres and it finds a place in Limca Book of Records for being the largest book reviews blog of India. In her earlier avatar, she has worked in the IT industry for 12 years and lived across 15 cities in India and abroad before choosing to live in Goa with her library.