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OIFC Indian Diaspora Business Meet Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles, California, USA 1100 am: Saturday, 14 November 2015

Programme

(as on 05 November 2015)

11:00 am – 12:00 noon	Registration (<i>Foyer</i>)	
12:00 noon – 1:00 pm	Networking Lunch (<i>Avalon Hall</i>)	
1: 00 pm – 1: 50 pm	Opening Session (<i>Emerald Hall</i>)	
1:00 pm – 1:05 pm	Welcome Remarks	Ms Vani Rao Joint Secretary (Financial Services) Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, Govt of India
1:05 pm - 1:10 pm	Remarks	Mr Subba Gopavarapu Founder & CEO GSR Technologies, Inc Member of RPBD core committee organizers
1:10 pm – 1:20 pm	Remarks	Mr Venkatesan Ashok Consul General of India San Francisco
1:20 pm – 1:30 pm	Remarks	Mr A K Agarwal Secretary – Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs & Chairman, OIFC
1:30 pm – 1:40 pm	Remarks	Mr Deep Kapuria Chairman Hi Tech Gears Ltd (<i>Leader of the Business Delegation</i>)
1:40 pm – 1:50 pm	Presentation on OIFC's new Initiatives	Ms Charu Mathur Chief Executive Officer OIFC
1:50 pm – 1: 55 pm	<i>Session changeover</i>	
<i>*Invited yet to be confirmed</i>		

1:55 pm – 2:55 pm **Panel Discussion I: Investment opportunities in Clean & Renewable Energy sector in India** (Emerald Hall)

The Renewable Energy sector in India has seen a thrust in the last one year especially on new technologies, low cost solutions for generating & distributing Renewable Energy. This opens up opportunities for investment, financing, collaborations as well as technology partnerships for Overseas Indians with Indian companies.

Discussions will include the trends and challenges in investments & collaborations in Renewable energy in India, the new technologies, financing & scaling up innovative business models in the renewables space in India; recent models which have seen solar tariffs at an all-time low of Rs 5.05 per kWh; factors to enable low cost financing for renewable projects and key fiscal incentives to encourage investments in India in the manufacturing segment.

Moderator: Mr Gunjan Bagla, Founder & Mg Director, Amritt Inc

Panelists

- **Mr Andris Cukurs**

CEO, North American Subsidiary Suzlon Wind Energy Corporation, USA

(Suzlon is a market leader in wind energy in India with a global footprint across Asia, Australia, Europe, Africa and North and South America. Andy has over 32 years of experience in the energy & clean tech)

- **Dr Rajit Gadh, PhD**

Professor, Henry Samueli School of Engineering & Applied Science
Founder & Director, UCLA Smart Grid Energy Research Center (SMERC)

(The UCLA SMERC performs research, creates innovations, and demonstrates advanced communications & technologies to enable the devt of next gen electric utility grid - The Smart Grid. Rajit serves as advisor to a handful of technology-based start-ups).

- **Mr Kunal Upadhyay**

Chief Executive Officer, Infuse Venture & Centre for Innovation, Incubation & Entrepreneurship

(Infuse Ventures is a specialized fund to build entrepreneurial solutions for India's energy and sustainability needs. Under Kunal's leadership, CIIE has seeded over 100 ventures)

- **Mr Pawan Singh**

Director, PTC Power Financial Co Ltd

(PTC Financial is a leading Special Purpose investment Vehicle, financing entities in the energy sector. Dr. Singh has over 32 years of experience in Power & Infrastructure sectors in India)

Q & A

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm **Panel Discussion II: Technology partnerships, Investments & Innovation through the Digital India Initiative (Emerald Hall)**

The Government has envisaged the Digital India program with a simple but bold ambition: to re-design government/essential services and place them on-line, while providing citizens' access through personal mobile or community access facilities for convenience. Broadband access for all and a digital identity will help to empower the people. In short, going digital means that services – health, education, banking, and a whole host of other citizen services - can be delivered more efficiently, effectively, and in a transparent way. Delivering this will require close collaboration between government and industry.

The Session will explore the approaches of how government and industry can partner to implement the “Digital Presence” on the ground by creation of compelling digital strategies and services and how emerging trends and technology imperatives can impact the lives of its citizen. It will also showcase some live examples of how IT & Technology are game changers in making that difference.

Moderator: Mr Venk Shukla

General Partner, Monta Vista Capital and; President, TIE Silicon Valley

Panelists

- **Mr Navin Budhiraja**
Sr Vice President & Head (Architecture & Technology), Infosys Limited
(Infosys is a global IT leader in consulting, technology, and outsourcing and next-generation services. Navin focuses on shaping & facilitating technology strategy, introducing latest technologies, and delivering technology consulting services on a global scale for Infosys)
- **Mr Akhilesh Tripathi**
Vice President & Head of Global sales of S/W, Tata Consultancy Services Ltd
(Part of the Tata group, one of India's largest industrial conglomerates & most respected brands, TCS has presence in 46 countries. Akhilesh is responsible for growing the software business for TCS globally including world's first neural automation software, ignio™ & TCS Platform solutions)
- **Mr Kapil Sharma**
Vice President, Wipro LLC
(Wipro is a global information technology, consulting and outsourcing company. Kapil has extensive political & grassroots experience having consulted on numerous federal, state and local campaigns & is responsible for Govt & public affairs for Wipro in North America)
- **Mr Amit Khare**
Director, Evolko Systems Private Limited
(Evolko is a live example of collaboration by Indian Americans for Digital India, using simple technology, to reach out to patients in remote locations & increase their access to medical-care. Amit Khare is an entrepreneur, inventor & a seasoned business man with a very successful track record in setting up new ventures, growing business)
- **Dr Seema Jain, MD**
President, American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI)
(AAPI is the umbrella organization representing the interests of over 60,000 doctors of Indian origin in the USA. Dr Jain is a member of advisory boards for several pharmaceutical and research companies)

Q & A

**Invited yet to be confirmed*

4:05 pm – 5:05 pm **Panel Discussion III: Impact investments into Social Enterprises in India** (Emerald Hall)

Impact investing is all about generating social and environmental impact alongside financial return. While the concept is catching momentum worldwide and especially in India, the move in mind-sets from pure philanthropy to investing in Enterprises throws up several fundamental questions: What are Social Enterprises? How is Impact Investing different from philanthropy? What are the Impact Investing and Social Enterprise landscapes like in India? This panel will attempt to answer these questions while engaging the audience, highlighting case stories of select social enterprises in India and sharing insights on how overseas Indians can access social enterprises.

Moderator: Mr Abhay Garg
Portfolio Manager, Acumen

Panelists:

- **Mr Shaffi Mather**
Founder, MUrgency
(MUrgency is world's first Global Emergency Response Network being built on Cloud & a true example of global collaboration with Tech Architecture from Silicon Valley with Development and Coding in India (& Dubai). Shaffi is a pioneer social entrepreneur & lawyer)
- **Mr Azad Oommen**
Board of Directors, Central Square Foundation
(Central Square Foundation is a venture philanthropy fund focused on systemic reform in K-12 education)
- **Mr Manpreet Anand***
Dy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South & Central Asia, US Department of State
(Manpreet has extensive previous experience with USAID and spearheaded the Indian Diaspora Investment initiative)

Q & A

5:05 pm – 5:50 pm **Business Meetings** (Avalon Hall)

06:00 pm **Inaugural of Regional Pravasi Bhartiya Divas by Smt Sushma Swaraj, Hon'ble Minister of External Affairs & Overseas Indian Affairs** (California Hall)

07:00 pm **Dinner hosted by Smt Sushma Swaraj, Hon'ble Minister of External Affairs & Overseas Indian Affairs** (California Hall)

Day -2: 15 November 2015: Regional Pravasi Bhartiya Divas (California Hall)

09:30 am – 1:00 pm Plenary Sessions

- Increasing engagement with Indian Diaspora
- Role of Culture and Youth in maintaining links to India, the motherland
- Government of India schemes on Clean Ganga; Skill Development; Infrastructure Development; Waste Management; and Swachh Bharat, Solar & other renewable energies; Digital India etc.

01:00 pm – 02:00 pm: Lunch (San Diego Hall)

02:00 pm – 05:00 pm : Business meetings for Indian business delegation (Catalina Hall)

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Plenary Sessions

- Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Education (including Community Colleges system, ties between educational institutions, etc.); Skills & Vocational Training
- Manufacturing and Make in India; Bilateral Business Opportunities in various fields including Commodities, services, IT / BT, Infrastructure
- Use of Soft Power and engagements through culture

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Connect with States of India: Opportunities to invest & do business (California Hall)

Moderator: Gunjan Bagla, Founder & Mg Director, Amritt Inc

Kerala: Mr K C Joseph, Minister, Rural devpt, Planning & Eco Affairs, Dairy & Milk Co-ops, NRI Keralite Affairs, Culture & Info

Andhra Pradesh: Mr IYR Rao, Chief Secretary, Andhra Pradesh

Jharkhand: Mr Uday Pratap Singh, Principal Secretary (Industries)

Haryana: Mr Vineet Garg, Managing Director, Haryana State Industrial & Investment Corporation (HSIIDC)
