### CONFERENCE PROGRAM

**Day 1, November 27**

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<td>Inaugural Address THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA, Shri Ram Nath Kovind</td>
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**On the Dias:**
- Mr R Subrahmanyam, Secretary- HE, MHRD, GoI
- Prof Rupamanjari Ghosh, Co-chair, FICCI HE Committee & Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University
- Dr Sekar Viswanathan, Co-chair, FICCI HE Committee & VP – VIT University

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*Moderated by Ms Shobha Mishra Ghosh, Asst Secretary General, FICCI*
### Keynote Addresses

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<td><strong>Prof Peter Stoicheff</strong>, President, University of Saskatchewan, Canada</td>
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**“Expanding Education Services from India”**

**“The Crucial Role of Universities in Innovation: A Canadian Perspective”**

Session Chair: Dr Sekar Viswanathan, Co-chair, FICCI HE Committee & VP – VIT University

### Lunch Break

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

### Theme Session

**Systems Thinking for Education**

If we have to move towards Education 4.0, we not only have to change what exists, but our beliefs, approach and perceptions. We need to shift towards creating a “System of Systems For Education”, that will form a continuous basis for optimization of resources, energy and economy.

Systems Thinking is about thinking through a process, its complexities & opportunities to create a solution which may have multiple outcomes for varied stakeholders. It is also about a seamless integration of immersive learning and design thinking to arrive at a desired outcome.

In this context, the session aims to:

- Create awareness about system thinking practice and application in various domains
- Catalyze members to think about how it could be used in education
- Set the context for the conference showing that in a creative economy, players form various systems who work within other systems

**Chair:** Mr R. Subrahmanyam, Secretary, MHRD, GoI

**Panelists:**

- Dr N V Varghese, Vice Chancellor, NIEPA
- Mr Pramath Sinha, Founder and MD, Harrappa Education
- Dr Rajan Saxena, Vice Chancellor, NMIMS
- Mr Ravi Panchanadan, MD & CEO, Manipal Global Education Services
- Dr Natalie Brett, Pro – VC, University of the Art, London

**Moderated by Ms Nandita Abraham, President, Pearl Academy**

Q&A

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm **Tea Break/Health break**

### Evaluation of Posters (Round -I)

12:00 noon – 1:30 pm 2nd floor, Vigyan Bhawan
### Panel Discussion 1

**Universities as Knowledge Economy Incubators**

Today, the role of the university goes beyond teaching and conducting primary research. It incorporates the high demand for science, technology, and innovation as the foundations of a knowledge-based economy. The universities of the future will have to strategically collaborate with the business sector and the public sector to exchange knowledge and use research findings and research-based education to develop and maintain the competitive advantage of the county’s trade and industry.

With the target of becoming a 5 trillion economy by 2025 and 10 trillion economy by 2030, India must focus on developing the universities as powerful research-based institutions for commercializing knowledge that will drive innovation. Countries such as Korea and Japan, have worked on similar lines and are now world leaders in Consumer Electronics and Manufacturing Design, respectively. This session will thus have a focus on:

- Developing strategies to transform Universities/HEIs to ‘Knowledge Economy Incubators’
- Effective policy interventions to boost R&D ecosystem
- Sharing of case studies and success stories

**Chair:** Dr Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE

**Panelists:**
- Prof Souvik Bhattacharya, Vice Chancellor, BITS Pilani
- Dr Sandeep Sancheti, Vice Chancellor, SRM Institute of Science and Technology
- Prof Pramod Nayar, Director-Institution of Eminence, University of Hyderabad
- Prof Sharmila Katre, Dean, Academic Development and Innovation, Pearl Academy
- Mr Sahil Chalana, Founder, Collegedunia

*Moderated by Prof Rupmanjari Ghosh, Co-chair, FICCI HE Committee & Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University*

**Q&A**

<p>| 3:30 pm – 4:45 pm | Evaluation of Posters (Round -II) | 2nd floor, Vigyan Bhawan |</p>
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**Academia: Economic Actors/Nano Enterprises Engagement**

The rural economy contributes 46% of India’s GDP and about 70% of India’s population lives in rural areas. Further, about two thirds of rural income is now generated in non-agricultural activities and more than half of the value add in manufacturing sector in India is contributed by rural areas. The rural economy witnesses many of the small enterprises (called nano-enterprise) operating in a fairly informal manner in the remote areas. Given their significant contribution to the Indian economy and their potential to scale-up, it is extremely important to look at how universities/HEIs can work towards formalizing them and providing them the impetus to leapfrog.

The session would deliberate on how higher education sector can help in the seamless transition of such nano enterprises operating in the ‘Rural Economic Zone’ (REZ) to move to Special Economic Zone (SEZ) and reach global markets.

**Chair:** Prof Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research

**Panelists:**
- Mr Diptiman Das, Chairman & MD, EdCIL
- Dr R K Shevgaonkar, Vice Chancellor, Bennett University
- Dr Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT
- Dr Dan Rycroft, Chair-India Dialogue, University of East Anglia, UK
- Mr Michael Klemm, Regional Director- South and South East Asia, Minerva Schools

**Moderated by Ms Rajita Kulkarni, President, Sri Sri University**

**Q&A**

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| 7:30 pm – 8:45 pm | 6th FICCI Higher Education Excellence Awards  

The Lalit, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi

_followed by cocktails and dinner (8:45 pm onwards)
### Leadership in Higher Education

Leadership in higher education is one of the most dynamic components in ensuring that the university/higher educational institution continues to operate from the top down with integrity. Amidst rapid technological disruption and radical changes in the conventional format of teaching-learning, it is imperative that the capabilities of leaders in higher education should completely fit into the required framework. Effective leadership with futuristic approach is the key to take the higher education sector to the next pedestal.

The higher education leader, today, while displaying a transformational leadership, should also be able to foster collaborative relationships within the institution, develop trust amongst stakeholders and work towards quality augmentation of the institution with a ‘student-centric’ approach.

The session would highlight the professional development resources required for the academic leaders and deliberate to understand the trends, strategies, and best practices in this regard.

**Chair:** Mr Mohandas Pai, Chairman, Manipal Global Education

**Panelists:**
- Dr N Saravana Kumar, Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Bihar
- Prof Ramgopal Rao, Director, IIT Delhi
- Dr Nitin Karmalkar, Vice Chancellor, Savitribai Phule Pune University
- Dr C Raj Kumar, Vice Chancellor, O P Jindal Global University
- Mr Sachin Jain, President, Bennett University
- Dr Vishal Talwar, Dean-School of Management, BML Munjal University

**Moderated by Dr Vidya Yeravdekar,** Chair- FICCI HE Committee & Pro Chancellor, Symbiosis International University

**Q&A**

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Ms Wu Ye-Her, Executive Director, SCALE-Global, NUS SCALE, Singapore®  
Session Chair: **Dr Rupamanjari Ghosh**, Co-chair, FICCI HE Committee & Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University  
Q&A

2:15 pm - 3:30 pm  |  **Plenary Session**  |  **Hall 6, 2nd Floor**
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**Disruption in Higher Education**
Shifting skills, the digital transformation, employment and income challenges, and the industrial revolution have brought higher education to a critical space in between disruption and transformation. It is now time to coherently create India’s transformative story—one built on future foresight—as a driving force for disruptive change.

The session will bring to the fore, exemplary case studies of ecosystems that contribute in building a higher education roadmap that sustains and supports the disruptive digital transformation. The aim is to bring together all the stakeholders to have engaging and effective deliberations to orient thought processes and prepare the society for adoption of futuristic technologies.

**Chair:** **Dr M P Poonia**, Vice Chairman, AICTE

**Panelists:**
- Mr Prahlad Kakar, Founder Director, Genesis Film Production
- Dr Ajit K Chaturvedi, Director, IIT Roorkee
- Mr Kapil Vishwanathan, Vice Chairman, KREA university
- Mr Raghav Gupta, MD- India and APAC, Coursera
- Mr Vikas Gupta, MD, Wiley Publications
- Mr. Srinivas Garimella, Director – Education, Microsoft India

**Moderated by Dr Rajan Saxena, Vice Chancellor, NMIMS**

Q&A

3:30 pm – 3:35 pm  |  **Announcement of Poster Winners & Certificate presentation to the Winners by Dr K Kasturirangan**  
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### 3:30 pm – 4:45 pm

**Valedictory Session**  
*Hall 6, 2nd Floor*

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Dr G Viswanathan, Founder & Chancellor, VIT© |
|               | **Valedictory Address**  
Dr K Kasturirangan, Chairperson – Drafting Committee of the NEP 2019 ©  
**Vote of Thanks**  
Prof Rupamanjari Ghosh, Co-chair, FICCI HE Committee and Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University |
|               | **Moderated by Ms Shobha Mishra Ghosh**, Assistant Secretary General, FICCI |

*November 29, 2019: Exhibition continues at back lawns of Vigyan Bhawan*