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IBLF Convention 2023

INDIA UAE PARTNERSHIP SUMMIT

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Dubai Chambers

23rd -25th January 2023, Dubai

PROPOSED PROGRAMME

23rd January, 2023 (Day1)

07.30 pm – **10.15** pm Welcome Dinner

Lake View Terrace (Club House), Dubai Creek Resort

Networking Drinks

Welcome Address:

- Mr. Dinesh Joshi, President IBLF, Chairman, SatyaGiri Group of Companies
- H.E. Dr. Aman Puri, Hon. Consul General of India, Dubai

Global Outlook - Panel Discussion:

- Mr. Kishore Musale, Chairman, Astarc Group (astarc.com)
- Dr. Frank-Jürgen Richter, Chairman, Horasis (horasis.org)
- H. E. Omer Gamar-Eldin Ismail, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Sudan
- Moderator Mr. Nayan Patel, Executive Director, Packam Controls (packam.co.in)

Dinner

24th January, 2023 (Day 2)

Dubai Chambers, Baniyas Raod, Deira, Dubai

09:00 am – 09:30 am Registration & Networking

09.30 am - 10:20 am Inaugural

- Mr. Rajiv Podar, Chairman IBLF, CMD Podar Enterprise
- H.E. Mohammad Ali bin Rashed Lootah, PCEO, Dubai Chamber
- Hon. Piyush Goyal, Minister of Commerce & Industry Government of India (Virtual Live)
- H.E. Abdulla Bin Touq Al Marri, UAE Minister of Economy*

10:20 am – 10:25 am Launch of IBLF UAE Chapter

Address by: Mr. Pankaj Savara, Head, IBLF UAE Chapter

10:25 am – 10:35 am Felicitation & Special Recognition

Vote of Thanks: Mr. Dinesh Joshi, President IBLF, MD, Satyagiri Group

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10:35 am – 11:15 am Inaugural Plenary – Past, Present and Future

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Relationship between India & UAE have traditionally been very strong. The signing of CEPA has opened a flood gate of opportunities. We will look at the new vistas of opportunities from here on between these two countries.

- H.E. Sunjay Sudhir, Hon. Ambassador, Embassy of India, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Mr. Yogesh Mehta, CEO, Petrochem, Trustee and Vice Chairman, Hindu Swaminarayan Temple, Abu Dhabi (petrocheme.com)
- H.E. Essa Abdulla Al Ghurair, Chairman, Essa Al Ghurair Investment (egi.ae)
- Moderator Ms. Renuka Methil, Managing Editor, Forbes Africa
- Vote of Thanks: Mr. Sandeep Joshi, ED, IBLF

11:15 am – 11:30 am Tea Break

11:30 am – 12:15 pm Plenary Session 1 - Manufacturing & Startups

Indian start-ups raised \$42 billion and added 46 Unicorns in 2021. The Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme is fueling the manufacturing sector in India. UAE Investors and Businessmen have been actively investing and looking at opportunities in UAE and India. The changing regulation in UAE is attracting businesses from across the world not only for trading but also for manufacturing. The Golden Visa Scheme, ease of doing business, attractive tax regime, ease of living and several other measures is making UAE a preferred choice for doing business. Businesses are flowing freely both ways. There are opportunities that need to be unearthed on both sides with entrepreneurs and investors alike.

Opening Remarks – Mr. Kishore Musale, Chairman – Astarc Group (astarcventures.com)

- Mr. Shrikant Badve, Managing Director, Badve Group of Industries (badvegroup.com)
- Mr. Alaa El Huni, Chief Business officer CAFU
- Mr. Ankur Gupta, Head Corporate Affairs, TATA Group
- Moderator Mr. Manoj Patodia, Chief Executive Office Patodia Overseas Exports, Immediate Past Chairman Texprocil (texprocil.org)

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm Plenary Session 2 - AgriTech and Food Processing

Food Security is gaining utmost importance in the new geo-political environment. Also, the new wave of veganism on one hand and organic food on the other hand, the social norms of food habits are changing drastically across continents. Technology will play a key Role in fulfilling the need for security as well as the changing landscape of food habits.

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Importance of Agri Tech and Food Processing is bound to grow leaps and bounds. Drones, Biomass, Technological advancements, Al are the names of the game in this industry. We will explore the entire gamut of possibilities in this sector.

- Mr. Dirk Aleven, Founder, Food Ventures BV, Netherlands (foodventures.eu)
- Mr. Kirti Meghnani, Group Procurement Manager, Choithrams (choithrams.com)
- Mr. Vishal Tikku, Executive Director and Chairman of the Board, Conektr Tech FZCO (conektr.com)
- Mr. Kartik Jalan CEO and Founder, Indicold (indicold.in)
- Moderator Mr. Pankaj Savara, Managing Director, Robotics ME

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Networking Lunch

2:00 pm – 2:45 pm Plenary Session 3 - Future of Health

Covid 19 has made us revisit the Health Sector to further strengthen it. The world came together as one to address the new challenge to mankind and India with its state-of-the-art facilities for research and manufacturing played a vital role. The UAE leveraged technology to be among the best countries globally in handling the pandemic. Besides research in medical field, HealthTech has taken a front seat in tracking and planning healthcare systems. This is fast changing the Healthcare landscape.

Opening remarks: Ms. Priyam Gandhi Mody, Author and Political Communications Strategist

- Dr. Sunita Dube, Chairperson, Medscape India (aryanhospitals.com)
- Mr. Veneeth Purushotaman, Group Chief Information Officer, Aster DM Healthcare (asterdmhealthcare.com)
- Mr. Madhukar Tanna, CEO, Pharmax (pharmax.ae)
- Mr. Sunil Thakur, Treasurer, NatHealth and Partner, Quadria Capital
- Moderator Mr. Sameer Nawani, Chief Representative India, Dubai International Chamber

2:45 pm – 3:30 pm Plenary Session 4 - FinTech & Investments

Financial services sector is seeing a never before revolution in offerings of products and services. From the basic service of KYC compliance to offering advanced investments in derivatives, it all can be achieved on the move. Investment opportunities have doubled up with the emergence of the technological revolution in financial sector. Today money can move across borders with much more ease than before. Fintech, Trade tech, Investment tech etc open up for investment as well as cross border product offerings. Regulatory approvals in one country for products on offer in other country need to ease out. This is a sector which has seen stupendous growth in last 5 years despite Covid restrictions and has limitless opportunities in the emerging markets with UAE as a gateway to the Middle East and African markets.

Opening remarks: Ms. Priya Samant, CEO and Co-Founder Abris Inc. (abris.io)

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- Mr. Mohammad Alblooshi, Head of FinTech Hive and Innovation Hub, DIFC (difc.ae)
- Mr. Ankit Sarwahi, Managing Director, MEVP (mevp.com)
- Mr. Bijal Doshi, Partner-Deals, Corporate Finance & Investments Bakertilly (bakertilly.com)
- Moderator Mr. Atul Joshi, MD Oyster Capital and Former MD, Fitch India

3:45 pm – 4:30 pm Valedictory Fireside Chat Session – Vision 2050

The Post COVID era is seeing a new world order where there is exploration of bilateral trade sans USD, regional trade is being strengthened and new geographies are emerging as popular business destination and hubs.

The session aims at understanding how the India-UAE relationship will evolve in this changing world order and how the two sides plan on leveraging their strength to complement each other's growth by 2050.

- Mr. Omar Khan, Executive Director International Offices, Dubai International Chamber
- Mr. Atul Nishar, Chairman Emeritus, Hexaware Technologies Ltd (hexaware.com)
- Moderator Mr. Darshan Hiranandani, Hiranandani Group, Managing Director & CEO, H Energy Global

4:30 pm – 4:45 pm Closing Remarks

- Smt. Tadu Mamu, Consul (Labour, Press, Info & Culture), Consulate General of India, Dubai
- Mr. Sameer Tapia, Senior Partner, ALMT Legal

25th January, 2023 (Day3)

Site Visits

• Dubai Commercial Centres