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<i>Thursday 6 June 2024</i>	
08:30 - Ongoing	<i>Registration of participants</i>
09:30 - 10:00	Official opening plenary
10:15 - 11:25 Grand ballroom	<p><i>India as a destination of choice for investment in startups</i></p> <p>As one of the world's fastest growing economy leap-frogging the digitization process and a country with the 3rd largest - steadily growing - startup ecosystem, India is increasingly attracting the attention of foreign VCs, PEs and family offices eager to explore new investment opportunities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What answers to the questions still on the mind of some foreign investors about involvement in India's startup ecosystem? ✓ What complementarities and synergies can be created between foreign and Indian investors? ✓ How does India figure in the global startup ecosystems landscape? The Pluses and the minuses? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Satya Bansal, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Blue Ashva Capital, Singapore</p> <p>Andreea Danila, Founder & General Partner, Global Millennial Capital, UAE</p> <p>Takeshi Ebihara, Founding General Partner, Rebright Partners, Japan</p> <p>BV Naidu, Chairman, Karnataka Digital Economy Mission, India</p> <p>Anand Prasanna, Managing Partner, Iron Pillar Capital Management, UAE</p> <p>Dana Taigman Koren, Managing Partner, Q Fund Ventures, Israel</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Jonas Brunschwig, Chief Executive Officer, Swissnex in India & Consul General of Switzerland</p>

11:30 - 12:15	<i>Riding the wave of the digital consumer revolution</i>
Grand ballroom	<p>Hari Menon, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, BigBasket, India</p> <p><u><i>In conversation with:</i></u></p> <p>Claude Smadja, Chairman, Smadja & Smadja Strategic Advisory, Switzerland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What implications of India's emergence as the world's 3rd largest E-commerce market? Beyond the economic growth factor, assessing the impact on innovation development, on financial and social inclusiveness ✓ With already 950 million internet-connected people and the E-commerce market size expected to cross the US\$ 400 billion by 2026, what trends will continue to shape the evolution of digital commerce? ✓ How will technologies such as AIO, AR, VR shape the evolution of digital commerce? What should startups keep in mind as they develop activities in these domains? ✓ When should we expect to see the Indian equivalent of Amazon or Alibaba?
12:15 - 13:15	<i>Buffet lunch</i>
13:15 - 14:15	<i>Shapers of the future</i>
Ballroom 1	<p>Meet the pioneer of new technologies, they are creating new business models, they are one step ahead of new social and consumers' trends.... There are on the stage</p> <p><u><i>Speakers:</i></u></p> <p>Kumaar Bagrodia, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Arkni PhotoBioLife and NeuroLeap, India</p> <p>Yoni Ben Zaken, Co-founder & Chief Business Officer, NOF - Natural Offset Farming, Israel</p> <p>Rachelle Jensen, Chief Executive Officer, Luminis Water Technologies, Singapore</p> <p>Alexander Kübler, Co-founder & Chief Executive Officer, RoBoa, Switzerland</p> <p>Hyerin Park, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Enomad, Republic of Korea</p>

	<p>Avinash Sharma, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, ElectricPe, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Gaurav Choudhury, Co-founder & Chief Executive Officer, Earshot Media, India</p>
<p>13:15 - 14:15</p> <p>Ballroom 2</p>	<p><i>The GCCs dynamic and the startup solutions to boost corporate innovation</i></p> <p>An increasing number of Indian and foreign MNCs operating in India are sourcing innovation from startups in various domains integrating it in their global products and services delivery, reflecting the emergence of India as a leading hub for Global Capability Centers (GCCs). A dynamic interaction is at play between GCCs and startups. The former using the relationship to expand and accelerate innovation processes and the latter benefiting from the support of global corporations in validating and scaling up their products and services. Adding to the GCCs dynamic, is the expanding partnerships between foreign and national MNCs and the startups contributing to source products and service innovation in their global offering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What conditions for the innovation interaction between startups and corporations to work best? ✓ How will the rise of GCCs impact on the expansion of the IT sector with respect to product development, innovation, and research? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Vic Bhagat, Senior Vice President and Global Advisor, Kyndryl, USA Shivi Jain, Program Director German Accelerator India, Start2 Group, Germany Shalini Pillay, India Leader – Global Capability Centers, KPMG, UK Aruna Schwarz, Co-founder & Chief Executive Officer, Stelae Technologies, UK Pankaj Vyas, Chief Executive Officer, Siemens Technology & Services, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Madanmohan Rao, Research Director, YourStory Media, India</p>
<p>14:30 - 15:30</p> <p>Ballroom 1</p>	<p><i>India's unique innovation model: Getting to the next level</i></p>

	<p>India is emerging as one of the world's top innovation hubs, I thanks to the cumulative impact of the expansion of Digital Public Infrastructure covering payments, identity, and Data management, of the development of engineering and research talent, and of the emergence of a dynamic startup ecosystem, now one of the top three in the world. Adding to that is the complementarity of a top-down and of a bottom-up approaches between the government and the private sector on innovation development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The government as an innovation agent ✓ What factor to add or to strengthen for the sustainability of India's innovation model? ✓ Addressing the perennial issue of corporate R&D weakness ✓ What distinctive role for India in the global innovation landscape? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Rajeev Banduni, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, OpenI Partners, India</p> <p>Sanjeev Gupta, Chief Executive Officer, Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM), India</p> <p>Mohandas Pai, Co-Founder & Chairman, Aarin Capital, India</p> <p>Avinash Vashistha, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Tholons, USA</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Claude Smadja, Chairman, Smadja & Smadja Strategic Advisory, Switzerland</p>
<p>14:30 - 15:30</p> <p>Ballroom 2</p>	<p><i>IP and innovation in healthtech</i></p> <p>Healthcare technology continues to evolve at a rapid pace with a growing number of startups and corporate players worldwide developing innovations and leveraging the tremendous potential of AI, Bid Data and other disrupting technologies to provide healthcare services and support to huge segments of population which were deprived of them or were getting them in a very limited way. The Digital Health market worldwide is growing 10% a year and is projected to be at around US\$ 280 billion by 2028. Digitization, virtual care, medical robotics and embedded devices, healthcare data intelligence are having a genuine transformative impact in the way healthcare is being approached today.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What are the trends – technological, societal, economic – shaping up the evolution of the healthtech sector?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What new innovations/developments can we expect in the coming years? ✓ How to assess and protect healthtech IP <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Shashank Avadhani, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Alyve Health, India</p> <p>Kenneth Barr, Senior Vice President, Syngene International Limited, India</p> <p>Sowjanya Kallakuri, Associate Director of Future Health Technologies, ETH Centre, Singapore</p> <p>Peter Ling, Partner, Lenz & Staehelin, Switzerland</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Florin Müller, Head of Swiss Business Hub India, Switzerland</p>
15:40 - 16:40 Ballroom 1	<p><u>Technology Update</u></p> <p><i>Where is the Fintech sector going?</i></p> <p>The global fintech market is today estimated at about US\$ 230 billion and is expected to reach US\$ around US\$ 910-920 billion by 2032, and Financial technologies keep evolving while new industry regulations also keep emerging. India's fintech sector is growing at an even faster pace, recording an increase of 59% from last quarter of 2023 to the 1st quarter 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What are the technology trends in the sector? ✓ Where do Indian and foreign players stand? ✓ What opportunities to leverage and challenges to address? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Amreesh Kher, Chief Business Officer - Insurance, Tata Digital, India</p> <p>Murali Nandini, Head of strategy, Zoth, Singapore</p> <p>Ryotaro Tsukii, Director - Corporate, Ginco Technologies, Japan</p> <p>Nandan Venkatachalam, Head B2B Fintech Investments, Axilor Ventures, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Mahima Marin, Head - Strategic Partnerships, W Beyond Private Limited, India</p>
15:40 - 16:40	<u>Technology Update</u>

Ballroom 2	<p><i>Where is the supply chain technology sector going?</i></p> <p>The leveraging of new technologies, the impact of the pandemic on existing supply chains and new global trade patterns have driven a new momentum in the development of supply chain technologies. Through AI-powered systems supply chains are now adapted to overcome some perennial challenges such as ports congestion. being leveraged to track and resolve potential challenges. In the same way, the leveraging of Blockchain technology creates a new visibility and transparency, strengthening the resilience of supply chains to potential shocks and disruptions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What are the technology trends in the sector? ✓ Where do Indian and foreign players stand? ✓ What opportunities to leverage and challenges to address? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Rakshit Daga, Chief Technology Officer, BigBasket, India Manan Mehta, Co- Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Solar Ladder, India Ranjith Mukundan, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Stellapps Technologies, India Ankit Sharma, Practice lead digital Supply Chain, Capgemini Invent India, France</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Vishal Krishna, Founder, Editor and Head of Content & Media, UpStream Life, India</p>
16:40 - 17:00	<i>Networking break</i>
17:00 - 17:50 Grand ballroom	<p><i>Betting on India's innovation and growth story</i></p> <p>Thierry Porté, Managing Director & Vice Chairman, JC Flowers & Co LLC, USA</p> <p><u>A conversation with:</u></p> <p>Prashanth Prakash, founding partner Accel Partners, India, co-founder UnboxingBLR Foundation, India</p>
18:00 - 19:00 Ballroom 1	<p><i>What does it take for India to join the world's semiconductors 'top players league'?</i></p>

	<p>India has taken significant steps to create the propitious framework conditions to join the world's top players in the fields of semiconductor manufacturing, research, and development. The country's semiconductor market is expected to be at around US\$ 80 billion by 2028.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ How are the government policies working in terms of developing a top-level chip manufacturing capability? ✓ How to expand the proven semiconductor design capabilities of Indian engineers? What actions to address the scarcity of cutting-edge infrastructure labs in the country's universities? ✓ How to capitalize optimally on the increasing involvement of semiconductors manufacturers giants in India? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Pankaj Gupta, Co-Founder & Partner, AlphaGen Venture Capital, Singapore</p> <p>Udit Sood, Associate (Intellectual Property Litigation), Covington & Burling, USA</p> <p>Anshuman Tripathi, Member, National Security Advisory Board (NSAB), India</p> <p>Pradeep Vajram, Partner, 7Rays Ventures, India</p> <p>V. Veerappan, Chairman India Electronics and Semiconductor Association (IESA), India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Mahima Marin, Head - Strategic Partnerships, W Beyond Private Limited, India</p>
<p>18:00 - 19:00</p> <p>Ballroom 2</p>	<p><i>What time for exit?</i></p> <p>IPOs were basically nonexistent in 2023 and M&As involving VC-backed companies were also severely hit. However, the context seems to be changing, with a number of public companies and PEs awash with cash to invest. So, the time for a revival of IPOs and M&As may have now come back. And, for many startup investors, the questions might be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ How, and at what precise moment? ✓ What does it take to go public at time of uncertainty and volatility <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Anjani Bansal, Partner and India Country Head, Global Brain Venture Capital, Japan</p>

	<p>Prem Barthasarathy, Managing Partner & Founder, Pontaq, UK Derick Jose, Managing Director, Industrial AI, Accenture, USA Varada Rajan Krishna, Co-founder, The 100 Open Startups, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u> Kenneth Choi, Deputy Managing Editor, Chosun Ilbo Group, Republic of Korea</p>
19:00 - 19:45	Reception
19:45 - 21:45 Grand ballroom	<p><u>Sit-down gala dinner</u></p> <p>What vision for India's technology future for the next five years?</p> <p><u>Keynote speaker:</u> Amitabh Kant, G20 Sherpa, India</p> <p><u>In conversation with:</u> BV Naidu, Chairman, Karnataka Digital Economy Mission, India</p>
Friday 7 June 2024	
09:00 - 09:50 Grand ballroom	<p>The new technology trends on the horizon: How they will reshape economies, societies, and business</p> <p>David Passig, Futurist, Professor Bar-Ilan University (BIU), Member Israel National Council for Research & Development, Israel</p> <p><u>In conversation with:</u> Ganapathy Venugopal (VG), Co-founder & Chief Executive Officer, Axilor Ventures, India</p>
10:00 - 11:00 Ballroom 1	<p><u>Technology Update</u></p> <p>Biotech and Genomics: Navigating turbulences and seizing opportunities</p> <p>The biotech industry has witnessed remarkable developments in India as well as at the global level. The Indian biotech and life sciences sector is emerging a hub for pharmaceutical innovation. On the genomics side, The Genome India Project has completed sequencing 10'000 Indian genomes, providing a database for Indian genetic diversity. The biotech</p>

	<p>and genomics sector is now at an inflection point in India as well as at the global level, with technological advances and evolving market conditions creating a new paradigm for the sector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Adjusting to more difficult funding conditions ✓ How can startups in the sector leverage in an efficient way AI technology, the CRISPR developments and the increasing data available? ✓ How to develop the collaboration between biotech and genomics startups and the pharmaceutical companies? ✓ How to navigate the increasingly complex regulatory and ethical issues involved as the biotech and genomics sector makes new advances? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Darshan H.V., IAS Managing Director, Department of Electronics Information Technology Biotechnology and Science & Technology, Government of Karnataka</p> <p>Leela Maitreyi Director, BD & Global Alliances, Bugworks Research, India</p> <p>Vivek Mishra, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Fibroheal, India</p> <p>Utpal Tatu, Founder Director Equine Biotech; Professor and Chairman, Indian Institute of Science, India</p> <p>Vivekanand Tiwari, Co-founder & CSO, ClimateCrop, Israel</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Kenneth Choi, Deputy Managing Editor, Chosun Ilbo Group, Republic of Korea</p>
<p>10:00 - 11:00</p> <p>Ballroom 2</p>	<p><i>Managing the opportunities and challenges of the changing deep tech ecosystem</i></p> <p>Deep tech technologies such as IOT, Blockchain, Robotics, AI and Quantum computing have a tremendous disruption potential on almost every sector of activity. However, developing the potential of Deep tech technologies implies addressing a number of challenges including regulatory uncertainties, bringing together very specialized high-technology skills, high R&D costs in a tighter funding environment and long development cycles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Leveraging AI and cloud capabilities to fast-track growth-stage strategies? ✓ Sustaining lengthy R&D cycles in a tighter fundraising environment.

	<p>✓ What kind of policies to produce the skills indispensable for the development of Deep Tech?</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Jonas Brunschwig, Chief Executive Officer, Swissnex in India & Consul General of Switzerland Chen Goldberg, Chief Executive Officer, CloudWize, Israel Kalyan Sivasailam, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, 5C Network, India Dana Taigman Koren, Managing Partner & Board Investor, Q Fund Ventures, Israel</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Madanmohan Rao, Research Director, YourStory Media, India</p>
<p>11:15 - 12:15</p> <p>Ballroom 1</p>	<p><i>Making intelligent use of intelligent technologies</i></p> <p>Soumitra Dutta, Dean and Professor of Management, Saïd Business School, Oxford University, Chair, OECD Taskforce of Experts on AI, UK</p> <p><u>In conversation with:</u></p> <p>Ralph Voltmer, Partner, Head of India Practice, Covington & Burling, USA</p>
<p>11:15 - 12:15</p> <p>Ballroom 2</p>	<p><u>Technology Update</u></p> <p><i>Where is the sustainability tech sector going?</i></p> <p>Countries and corporations in most countries are today getting into the sustainability imperative not only to fight climate change but also to meet increasingly stringent regulations, increasing expectations and demands from consumers and the public at large. Renewable energy, eco-friendly transportation, sustainable agriculture, waste management, green building, are among the sectors attracting investors' attention.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ What are the technology trends in the sector? ✓ Where do Indian and foreign players stand? ✓ What opportunities to leverage and challenges to address? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Sriram Kannan, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Routematic, India</p>

	<p>Aris Mukherjee, Co-Founder & CCO, RTDT Laboratories, Switzerland</p> <p>Dana Pousty, Co-Founder, SoLED, Israel</p> <p>Vladas Snieckus, Executive Manager for Sustainable Technologies, Head of Research & Product Development, Waynerr, Switzerland</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Jose Jacob Kalayil, Director & Curator, The India Advantage Summit & Future ICT Forum, India</p>
12:15 - 13:15	Buffet lunch
<p>13:15 - 14:15</p> <p>Grand ballroom</p>	<p><i>Cracking the code on scaling up: Listening to those who did it</i></p> <p>All startups have to address the challenges of time to market and of cracking scale. They have to make do with internal factors they need to manage and external factors such as market readiness or competitive risk on which they have scant control. And the challenge of time to market and scaling up is made more acute in the present context of the decrease of financial resources available to startup founders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Are there best practices to optimize the product development process of fast-paced technological changes and market evolution? ✓ What to be learnt from the entrepreneurs who have succeeded in cracking scale? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Sandeep Goel, Managing Director, Moglix, Singapore</p> <p>Ankit Fatehpuria, Co-Founder, Zetwerk, India</p> <p>Ezhilan Nanmaran, Head of Product and Strategic Partnerships, ideaForge Technology, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Shubhankar Bhattacharya, General Partner, Fundamental, Germany</p>
<p>14:30 - 15:30</p> <p>Grand ballroom</p>	<p><i>Learning from 2023: The trends shaping the evolution of VC/startup ecosystems and their implications</i></p> <p>2023 was a terrible year for a very large number of startups in most countries, with many of them not able to survive the funding crisis, the sharp decline of valuations, and the ruthless scrutiny of investors about</p>

	<p>their future prospects. 2024 is seeing the emergence of a transformed startup ecosystem, with resilient startups attracting again investments and creating more solid foundation for a sustainable growth focused on profitability, on building tighter, more aligned teams, and a more strategic approach to the market. The changes witnessed over the last two years reflect, among other things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A shift from a focus on valuation to creating real value ✓ A focus on capital efficiency ✓ Greater investor prudence ✓ Continuing to do more with less ✓ A focus on adaptation and resilience <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <p>Madhu Gupta Khandelwal, Managing Partner, EthAum Venture Partners, Singapore</p> <p>Mikihide Katsumata, President & Chief Operating Officer, Member of the Board, Innovation Network Corporation of Japan (INCJ), Japan</p> <p>Nruthya Madappa Partner & Head of Growth and Capital Development, 3one4 Capital, India</p> <p>Abhay Maheshwari, Chief Financial Officer, Jupiter Capital, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Vishal Krishna, Founder, Editor and Head of Content & Media, UpStream Life, India</p>
<p>15:45 - 16:45</p> <p>Grand ballroom</p>	<p><i>Building the champions of the AI revolution</i></p> <p>India produces 16% of the world's AI talent pool, making it one of the top three AI talent markets in the world. The number of Gen AI Indian startups has doubled in 2023, and the country's start-up ecosystems is moving ahead developing AI-powered tools for the development and delivery of products and services. This is providing a huge addition and complementarity to the AI drive of the country's public and private sectors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ How does India's AI landscape compare with global top players AI capabilities? ✓ What AI innovation partnerships can create win-win synergies? ✓ What kind of quantum leap would Generative AI bring to India's innovation capabilities? <p><u>Speakers:</u></p>

	<p>Ashok Krish, Global Head consulting for AI.Cloud unit , Tata Consulting Services (TCS) India Vinayak Hegde, CTO-in-Residence, Microsoft for Startups, USA Francis Rousseaux, ETI Expertise France, iSPIRT, India</p> <p><u>Moderated by:</u></p> <p>Jose Jacob Kalayil, Director & Curator, The India Advantage Summit & Future ICT Forum, India</p>
16:45 - 17:30	<i>Farewell drinks</i>

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