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ICSI 3rd International Conference concludes today in Singapore



The Institute of Company Secretaries of India organised its 3rd **International Conference** in Singapore, on 5-6 April 2024 on the theme **Building Resilient & Sustainable Economies**.

On the 2nd day of the Conference, Mr. T Prabakar, First Secretary (Commerce), High Commission of India, Singapore emphasized the enduring strength of India -Singapore bilateral relationship.

“In recent years both, India and Singapore have been diversifying their engagement beyond traditional sectors venturing into uncharted territories, from FinTech to BioTech, Smart Cities to Sustainable development, Healthcare and Renewable energy. Over the years, this bond has evolved into a powerhouse of economic cooperation driving innovation, prosperity and sustainability across border”, Prabakar said.

The sessions explored the intersection of ESG and value creation, examining how ESG factors impact financial performance and can be integrated into the investment decision-making process. Discussions also addressed challenges in ESG measurement and the growing importance of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DE&I) for fostering a sustainable and innovative workplace culture. Additionally, the sessions covered the global Anti-Money Laundering (AML) regulatory landscape and the importance of integrating due diligence for standardized systems and capacity building.

The two-day event unfolded stimulating discussions related to the theme of the conference, through the following Panel Discussions and Special Sessions:

- ***Sustainability Reporting – A Challenge or An Opportunity***
- ***Shifting Board Oversight from Operations to Risk and Strategy***
- ***Unleashing the Power of AI in Compliance***

- ***India -Singapore Bilateral Ties***
- ***Confluence of ESG into Value Creation***
- ***The Acceptance and Receptivity of DE & I***
- ***Combating Money Laundering***

The Conference witnessed Seasoned Speakers from across economies, deliberating on pertinent topics and presented an unmatched opportunity of learning about the latest in governance and sustainability from around the world.

The knowledge partners for this unique two-day Conference were the **Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment (CISI)**, **Malaysian Association of Chartered Secretaries (MACS)** and **the International Valuation Standards Council (IVSC)**.

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About ICSI

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) is a premier professional body set up under an Act of Parliament, i.e., the Company Secretaries Act, 1980, for regulating and developing the profession of Company Secretaries in India. It functions under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. The Institute, being a pro-active body, focuses on the best and top-quality education to students of the Company Secretaries Course and the best quality set standards for CS members. The Institute has over 72,000 members and around 2 lakh students on its roll