



**THE INSTITUTE OF
Company Secretaries of India**

भारतीय कम्पनी सचिव संस्थान

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Vision

"To be a global leader in promoting good corporate governance"

Motto

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1st INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ICSI OVERSEAS CENTRE

23rd March, 2022

Dusit Thani, Dubai, UAE

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India organised its **1st International Conference of ICSI Overseas Centre** on 23 March, 2022, in Dubai, UAE. The Conference was hosted by ICSI Middle East (DIFC) NPIO.

Aimed at building the Institute's Collaborative Capacity, the theme of the Conference - **Redefining Good Governance: Innovation Compliance, Sustainability, Inclusion**, brought forward deliberations on important drivers of Good Corporate Governance from across the economies.

Mr. K.Kalimuthu, Consul (Economic, Trade & Commerce), Consulate General of India, Dubai and **Major General (Retd.) Sharafuddin Sharaf, Chairman, UAE - India Business Council (UIBC)** and **Vice Chairman, Sharaf Group** graced the occasion as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour.



PANEL DISCUSSION 1

Corporate Governance: Board Diversity and Stakeholders Engagement

The discussion highlighted the importance of having diverse corporate boards amidst ever changing technological and regulatory interface and implementing effective stakeholder engagement strategies.

Left to Right - **Mr. Suresh Kumar**- Chairman, IBPC Dubai; **Ms. Anneliese Reinhold** - General Counsel & SVP Regulatory Affairs, du, Emirates Integrated Telecommunications Company, Dubai, UAE; **CS Vijay Kumar Ojha** - Founding Member, ICSI Middle East (DIFC) NPIO; **CS Nagendra D. Rao** - Immediate Past President, The ICSI and Vice-President, CSIA; **Dr. Ashraf Gamal El Din** - CEO, Hawkamah Institute for Corporate Governance, Dubai, UAE.

PANEL DISCUSSION 2

Cyber Security : Data Privacy, Protection and Governance

The discussion deliberated on the role of Professionals as well as Boards in planning and preparing response patterns to all aspects of Cyber Security.

Left to Right - **Mr. Ritesh S Ramakrishnan** - Joint Managing Director, Transworld Group; **Mohammed Darwish Azad** - Chief Information Security Officer, Emirates NBD; **Mr. Narasimha Das** - Secretary, ICSI Middle East (DIFC) NPIO; **CS Sundharesan Jayamoorthi** - Founder, J Sundharesan & Associates; **Mr. Arshad Khan** - CEO, Yoshi Markets Ltd.



PANEL DISCUSSION 3

ESG: A New Business Mandate

The discussion revolved around formulating policies that encompass Economic, Social and Governance perspectives for a sustainable development.

Left to Right - **Dr. Sudheendhra Putty** - Associate Vice President & Company Secretary, Cyient Limited; **CS Hukam Rawat** - Founding Member, ICSI Middle East (DIFC) NPIO; **CS Ranjeet Pandey** - Past President & Council Member, The ICSI; **Mr. Krishnan Ramchandran** - CEO, Barjeel Geojit Securities.



PANEL DISCUSSION 4

Start-ups: Opportunities & Challenges

The session focused on the role of professionals in the startup ecosystem and emphasized on how budding entrepreneurs should equate good governance with value creation.

Left to Right - **CS R. Lakshmanan** - Chairman, ICSI Middle East (DIFC) NPIO; **Mr. Hari Padmanabhan**- Executive Chairman, Encore Group; **CS Sameet Gambhir**- Vice President (Corp. Law) & Company Secretary, DCM Shriram; **CS Ganesh Raju** - Founder, Turbostart and Co-Chairman, FICCI Start-up Committee.



Group Photograph at the 1st International Conference of ICSI Overseas Centre



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24th March, 2022 | India Pavilion, Dubai Expo 2020

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India became the **leading professional body** to represent the country as well as the professional fraternity at the **World Expo 2020** by participating in a special panel discussion on the theme **Company Secretary - Fostering Innovation for Sustainable Growth** at the **India Pavilion of Dubai Expo 2020**, on **24 March, 2022**.



The discussion brought to the fore the strength of Indian Company Secretaries in taking up new responsibilities for the development of just and sustainable society with equal ease.



The Institute expresses its heartfelt gratitude to the **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)** for this opportunity.



Group Photograph at India Pavilion of Dubai Expo 2020

The Institute also appreciates the overwhelming participation of all its **Delegates**-virtual and in person – for making the Conference as well as the Special Panel Discussion at Dubai Expo 2020 a huge success and scripting a new chapter in the history of ICSI.