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1st National Women's Conference

Theme: Empowered Women: Inspiring a better Tomorrow 23 - 24 March, 2023 | The Westin Kolkata Rajarhat, New Town, Kolkata









Dear Professional Colleague,

As India holds the Presidency of the G20 with **Women-led development** as one of India's G20 priorities, the Institute is pleased to hold its **1**st **National Women's Conference** in support of this priority of the Government. This Conference is being organised to recognise the critical role played by women in driving economic and social progress and to honour their social, economic, cultural and political achievements.

Women-led development where women get equal opportunities to participate in decision-making, access to resources, and leadership positions is an essential component of sustainable development. Women-led development initiatives have been implemented worldwide to address gender inequality and promote women's empowerment. They focus

on issues such as women's economic empowerment, access to education, healthcare, and political participation that aims to remove barriers that prevent women from participating fully in the society while also empowers them to take an active role in shaping the future.

As we approach International Women's Day, it gives me immense pleasure to invite your good self to upcoming celebration in honour of the contributions of women at 1st National Women's Conference to be held during **March 23-24**, **2023** on the theme **Empowered Women: Inspiring a better Tomorrow** at **Hotel Westin Kolkata Rajarhat, Kolkata, West Bengal,** a city of colonial architecture, traditional food, temples, music and theatre, also known as the 'City of Joy', revered for its golden history, rich heritage and vibrant culture.

The Institute recognises that empowered women have the knowledge and confidence to take charge in improving social outcomes, contributing to the development leading to drive economic growth. This Conference will showcase the significant strides made by the inspiring women through their hard work, determination, leadership, diverse perspective and unique set of skills such as emotional intelligence, collaboration, and empathy. This grand celebration will witness presence of distinguished guests and speakers from the Government, Regulators, Industry, Academia and the profession to add glitter to the event.

An event of huge significance like this one, solicit your kind presence to make this celebration a grand spectacle facilitating exchange of experiences and ideas, networking with your professional colleagues from all parts of the country. Both male and female delegates along with their spouse, children and other guests are welcome to attend the Conference, cultural programme and other attractions.

A Souvenir containing messages of good wishes, theme articles, programme details will be brought out to commemorate this mega event. We request you to use your good offices in obtaining advertisement and sponsorship support for this mega event. We are delighted to call upon you to register for the 1st National Women's Conference at Kolkata.

Looking forward to welcome you at the City of Joy!

With best regards,

Yours' sincerely,

CS Manish GuptaPresident, The ICSI



Theme & Sub-themes

The theme of the 1st National Women's Conference, **Empowered Women: Inspiring a better Tomorrow** embodies the spirit to celebrate women's achievements and honour their legacy that will inspire the future generations of women to strive for excellence while rewriting the future into a more just and equitable world for all. The sub-themes for the Sessions to be held across the two-day's conference are as under:

Session I: Women in Leadership: Building legacy in Boardrooms Session II: Women Entrepreneurs: Driving Change & Innovation

Session III: Women Achievers: Role of Equity, Inclusion and Encouragement

Session IV: The Art of Mindfulness: Maintaining Work-Life Balance

The sessions envisage focussed deliberations upon significant role played by women in the society and to recognize their social, economic, cultural and political achievements, understand importance of their role as leaders, factors that influence their involvement, work-life balance aspects concerning women, opportunities and challenges for the women and the future roadmap to further their inclusion in all spheres.

About Kolkata

Kolkata, capital of West Bengal, situated on east bank of the *Hugli* River is one of India's largest cities. A city of commerce, transport, and manufacture, Kolkata is the dominant urban centre of eastern India. People here exhibit a great *joie de vivre* that is demonstrated in a penchant for art and culture and a high level of intellectual vitality and political awareness.

Kolkata is also regarded as India's intellectual and cultural capital. It is famous for its theatre and films. It is the land of Rabindranath Tagore and the sound of *Rabindra Sangeet* can be heard from every house. It is a shopper's delight for embroidered linen, kantha embroidery, handmade jewellery & terracotta decor. The mouth-watering cuisines of Kolkata are a must try that include sweet delicacies like *rasqullas* and *sandesh*.

Kolkata's position as one of India's preeminent economic centres is rooted in its manufacturing industries, its financial and trade activities, and its role as a major port; it is also a major centre for printing, publishing, and newspaper circulation, as well as for recreation and entertainment.



Venue of the Conference

The Westin Kolkata Rajarhat, New Town, Rajarhat, Kolkata - 700 156. West Bengal

How to Reach Kolkata

By Air

Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport is situated at Dumdum, which is about 17 Kms. away from the heart of the city. This airport has good connectivity across major cities in India and abroad.

By Train

Howrah, Sealdah and Kolkata railway stations are the three major railheads situated in the city. These railway stations are well connected to all the important cities of the country.

By Road

Kolkata is connected with most of the Indian cities by road. The National Highway number 2 and 6 connect the city with other cities and states in India. The Esplanade Terminus in the heart of the city is the main bus terminus.



TOURIST ATTRACTIONS AT KOLKATA

Kalighat Temple

Kalighat Kali Temple in Kolkata is regarded as the holiest *peeth* of the 52 Shakti Peethams of India, where the various parts of Sati's body are said to have fallen, in the course of *Shiva's Rudra Tandava*.



Raj Bhawan

Raj Bhavan of Kolkata is the official residence of the Governor of West Bengal. Designed by architect Captain Charles Wyatt, the structure is built in neo-classical architectural style with baroque overtones. The impressive halls and curved corridors, balconies, throne room, banquet halls, residential suites are worth a visit to get the feel of the colonial opulence.



Howrah Bridge

An iconic landmark in Kolkata, the Howrah Bridge is a huge steel bridge over the Hooghly River. It is considered to be one of the longest cantilever bridges in the world. Also known as Rabindra Setu, it connects Howrah and Kolkata. It carries 100,000 vehicles and countless pedestrians daily.



Shantiniketan

Shantiniketan, a veritable abode of peace and tranquility, is famous for the world renowned Viswa Bharati University founded by Rabindranath Tagore in 1921. Santiniketan is also a repository of exotic sculptures, frescoes, murals, and paintings by Rabindranath Tagore, Nandlal Bose, Ramkinkar, Binode Behari Mukherjee, and other internationally acclaimed artists.



Belur Math

Belur Math is the headquarters of the Ramakrishna Math and Mission, founded by Swami Vivekananda, a chief disciple of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa. The serene campus of Belur Math on the Ganga includes temples dedicated to Sri Ramakrishna, Sri Sarada Devi and Swami Vivekananda, in which their relics are enshrined. The room in which Swamiji attained Mahasamadhi has been preserved here.



National Library

National Library located on the Belvedere Estate in Alipore, is the largest library in India by volume and India's library of public record. The library with a collection of around 2.2 million books is designated to collect, disseminate and preserve the printed material produced in India.





Eco Park, Rajarhat

Eco Park in Kolkata is an expansive urban park designed to promote eco-tourism in the city. It is the biggest urban park in India and occupies over 475 acres of land. It has three major parts - the ecological zones, the gardens and the recreational zones making it a perfect getaway to relax and unwind. The beauty of the location increases ten folds because of a water body that surrounds the park and forms an island in the middle. The beautiful and well-maintained landscape is a perfect retreat for nature lovers.



Biswa Bangla Gate

Biswa Bangla Gate, popularly known as Kolkata Gate, is the new icon of a rising Bengal, the same way London Eye is for the UK and Eiffel Tower is for Paris. It houses a fine dine restaurant, a viewing gallery, and souvenir shops. The visitor's gallery and the restaurant have glass walls for the visitors to enjoy the bird's eye view of the city while also having a good time. It is a gateway to modern Kolkata, one that would welcome tourists, entrepreneurs, scholars, guests and people of all talent as they land at the airport and began driving into the city.



TENTATIVE PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY - 1 March 23, 2023 (Thursday)

12:00 Noon onwards	:	Registration of Delegates
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	:	Lunch
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	:	Inaugural Session
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	:	Technical Session I Women in Leadership: Building legacy in Boardrooms
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	:	Networking Tea
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	:	Technical Session II Women Entrepreneurs: Driving Change & Innovation
7:30 PM onwards	:	Cultural Evening & Dinner

DAY - 2 March 24, 2023 (Friday)

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	: Technical Session III Women Achievers: Role of Equity, Inclusion and Encouragement
11:00 AM – 11.30 AM	: Tea Break & B2B Session
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	: Technical Session IV The Art of Mindfulness: Maintaining Work-Life Balance
12.30 PM – 1:30 PM	: Open House Session
1:30 PM onwards	: Networking Lunch



DELEGATE FEE AND REGISTRATION PROCESS

DELEGATE REGISTRATION FEE* (Non-Residential)

Delegate Category	Early Bird (28 th February, 2023 to 10 th March, 2023)	Registration (on or after 11 th March, 2023 including on the spot registration)
Members of ICSI	INR 3500	INR 4000
Students/Accompanying Spouse/Child (5 years and above)/ Sr. Member (60 years and above)	INR 3000	INR 3500
Non-Members	INR 4500	INR 5500

^{*}Exclusive of GST @18% on non-residential basis.

The above fee includes Lunch (2), Dinner (1), Morning / Evening Tea, Coffee, and Conference Kit.

The Delegate fee for accompanying Spouse and Children does not include Conference Kit.

DELEGATE REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

- Registration for the Conference is open for both male and female members.
- Delegates may register for the Conference by visiting the Registration Link: https://tinyurl.com/3d84m6hv
- Registration for the Conference shall be through Online Mode only. Please note that payments will not be accepted through demand draft, cheque, cash, etc.
- The delegate fee is payable in advance and is non-refundable.

PROGRAMME CREDITS

Members: 8 (Eight) Structured CPE Credits

• Students: 16 (Sixteen) PDP Hours

SPEAKERS

Eminent persons from the Government, Judiciary, Industry, including Professional and Management Experts will address the participants and there would be brainstorming sessions and interactions.

PARTICIPANTS

Company Secretaries, Directors, Chartered Accountants, Cost and Management Accountants, Senior Executives, Senior Officers from Government, Academicians and other Professionals are invited to the Conference.

ACCOMPANYING GUESTS, SPOUSE AND CHILDREN

Accompanying Guests, Spouse and Children registered for the Conference will be eligible to participate in Lunch, Dinner, Cultural Evening and other attractions of the Conference.

PAPERS FOR SOUVENIR

Members who wish to contribute papers for publication in the Souvenir are requested to send the same through email at conference@icsi.edu on or before March 8, 2023. The paper should not normally exceed 10 typed pages (font size Arial 11 point – single space) and without any diagrams / sketches / downloaded pictures from internet. The content shall be original work of the author. Articles will be checked for Plagiarism by the Institute. The Institute will consider the Articles received and the decision of the Institute will be final in all respects. Member whose article is selected for publication would be eligible for grant of 4 (FOUR) Structured CPE Credits.



HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The ICSI has taken best rates from Hotel Westin Rajarhat, Kolkata and blocked the limited number of rooms at concessional rates for delegates. Delegates may contact the Hotel directly for their individual reservations. All payments related to hotels are to be settled by the delegate with the hotel concerned directly. Hotel Booking details are posted at the Institutes website at link https://www.icsi.edu/media/webmodules/Announcement_for_Hotel_Booking.pdf

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