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2nd International Conference of ICSI Overseas Centre in London, UK



The Institute of Company Secretaries of India organised its **2**nd International Conference of ICSI Overseas Centre in London, United Kingdom, on 11-12 May 2023 on the theme Strengthening Global Governance for an Equitable, Inclusive, and Sustainable Future.

The Right Honourable Baroness (Dr) Sandip Verma, Member of the House of Lords, United Kingdom, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and Mr Sujit Ghosh, Deputy High Commissioner of India, United Kingdom was the Guest of Honour.

Appreciating the theme of the Conference, Chief Guest, Baroness (Dr) Sandip Verma, said, "Leadership is the prime ability of all who stand in that position to change the direction of the travel towards good governance and sustainability and Conferences like these are very vital for that".

Guest of Honour, Mr. Sujit Ghosh highlighted India's role on the global platform and said, "The future of multilateralism depends on the collective ability to strengthen it in the changing world and India's G 20 Presidency is playing an effective role in providing joint solutions to global challenges.

Expressing his delight, **CS Manish Gupta**, **President**, **The ICSI**, drew a picture of the Institute's global presence and mentioned how the new paradigm has necessitated a focus on building capacities and equipping professionals beyond boundaries for strengthening the basic structure of Corporate Governance and making it more than just Compliance mandate.

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

Special Sessions

- The Intersection of Competition Law, Corporate Governance, Sustainability and Inclusiveness
- Building Effective Boards for Sustainable Governance
- Ease of Doing Business in India From Challenges to Opportunities
- Steering Good Governance in Capital & Financial Markets
- Ethical Leadership Beyond Compliance

Panel Discussions

- Integrating the ESG Theory into Action
- Fostering the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Imperative
- Creating the Digital Governance Roadmap
- Decoding the Greenwashing and Greenblushing Buzz

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)**, the **International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)**, the **Institute of Directors (IOD)**, the **International Valuation Standards Council (IVSC)**, and **The Institute of Cost Accountants of India.**

ICSI released the following publications on the occasion at the hands of the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour:

- Handbook on Business Responsibility and Sustainability
- Flyer Opening empanelment of Social Auditors (SAs) to the ICSI-Institute of Social Auditors
- The all-new Chartered Secretary Journal

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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., Company Secretaries Act, 1980, for the regulation and development of the profession of Company Secretaries in India. It functions under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. The Institute, being a proactive body, focuses on best and top-quality education to students of Company Secretaries Course and best quality set standards for CS members. The Institute has over 70,000 members and about 2 lakh students on its roll.