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ICSI launches the India-Australia Facilitation Centre, boosting bilateral trade & investments at its 4th International Conference in Sydney, Australia



Dr. S. Janakiraman, Consul General of India in Sydney



Special Guest, Shri K. Rajaraman, Chairperson, IFSCA

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) organised its 4th International Conference 2025 in Sydney, Australia, on 3-4-5 September 2025, in the august presence of Dr. S. Janakiraman, Consul General of India in Sydney.

Organised on the theme, Embracing Innovation, Enhancing Good Governance, the three-day Conference will conclude with a Study Tour of University of Wollongong (Wollongong Campus) on 5 September 2025, to provide an understanding of global governance education and open avenues for international collaboration and professional growth.

Special Session on Business Opportunities in India's maiden IFSC at GIFT City with Special Guest, Shri K. Rajaraman, Chairperson, IFSCA, emphasized GIFT City's role in driving innovation, fintech growth, and cross-border trade, encouraging stakeholders to leverage its infrastructure for sustainable and future-ready business expansion.

Appreciating the ICSI for standing as a sentinel of Good Governance for over 5 decades, Dr. S. Janakiraman addressed the Company Secretaries as the trusted stewards of Good Corporate Governance, guarding Corporate Integrity. He said, "Company Secretaries have evolved into a strategic advisor to boards today, shaping decision-making, culture, and purpose across organizations, and guiding them through complexity.

While thanking the ICSI for setting up the India-Australia Facilitation Centre to boost bilateral trade & investments, and help companies of both countries establish offices & subsidiaries across them, he invited Company Secretaries to avail the Consulate's existing Business Centre as a one-stop concierge for office space, meetings & business promotion in Australia.

Distinguished speakers from India and Australia explored forward-looking strategies and collaborative solutions on the following thought-provoking themes:

- Governance in Focus- Making Boards Future Ready
- Circular Economy and ESG
- Data Privacy and Cyber Security
- Managing Risk Oversight through Stewardship
- India-Australia: Governance & Investment Ties
- Leveraging Human Capital by Steering Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DE&I)
- Evaluating the Efficacy of Governance in Generative AI

Hosted by ICSI Overseas Centre Australia Inc., and supported by knowledge partners, Australia India Chamber of Commerce and Services Export Promotion Council (SEPC) India, the Conference provided a platform for networking with thought leaders, industry pioneers and prospective investors, bringing forth an opportunity of learning and resource enhancement.

Highlighting the India-Australia trade, investment and economic relations as the basis for organising the Conference, CS Dhananjay Shukla, President, the ICSI, said, "the 4th International Conference will serve as a pivotal platform for Company Secretaries, helping them explore Australia's legal and governance frameworks, ethical perspectives and emerging career opportunities, amidst the expanding economic engagement".

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