



15TH APRIL, NCPA, MUMBAI. STARTS 8:30AM

Make in India - Unleashing New Opportunities

Preamble

The government's ambitious and comprehensive Make in India program touches all areas of business in India. The program's re-visioning of all sectors including transportation and manufacturing will unlock India's economic potential, accelerate growth and increase investment opportunities directly affecting the supply chain of every business in India. Moreover, policies simplifying the regulatory environment including the impending implementation of the GST, will result in numerous supply chain challenges and opportunities for doing business in India.

The India Supply Chain 2015 Conference will be a forum for business and academic leaders to discuss these challenges and identify novel and innovative solutions and opportunities to these challenges.

Topic 1: Infrastructure Requirements that Enable the Make In India Supply Chain -- Physical and virtual flows are the life blood of supply chains. Leading edge telecommunications and transportation infrastructure are essential elements to ensuring firms in India are able to implement leading edge supply chain practices to be competitive in the global economy. This panel discussion we hope will be the start of a frank national discussion that will address this critical need for infrastructure.

Topic 2: Policy Reboot, Challenges of a New Policy Environment -- With the new GST regulations on the horizon the supply chain leaders on the panel will address the challenges and opportunities they face with improving the effectiveness and efficiencies of their supply chains and compete globally. Other burning issues including those not addressed by government policy will also be addressed such as the skills gap that is often cited in surveys as a critical gap in firms' supply chains in India.

Topic 3: Market Entry-The View From Outside India -- The World Bank's 2014 Logistics Performance Index ranks India 54th in logistics capability. Our group of international supply chain leaders will discuss the challenges of doing business in India, which is an impediment to the critical access to FDI that is an essential element to ensure continuing access to state of the art supply chain technology and knowledge transfer.

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ACADEMIC CONCLAVE

14TH APRIL, NCPA, MUMBAI.

2:00PM TO 6:00PM

Supplying Talent for the Make in India Supply Chain

Preamble

A major concern of supply chain managers in India is acquiring skilled supply chain talent to meet their firms' needs. The government's Make in India program is likely to grow that need and firms will be faced with the challenge of filling their supply chain talent needs in order to compete in the new environment or be left behind. In this first of its kind academic conclave in India we will provide a forum for frank discussion on how supply chain academics and industry can fulfil these burgeoning talent needs.

Panel 1: Synchronizing Talent Supply & Demand: Nationally and internationally renowned academics and prominent industry practitioners are encouraged to engage in this session that will be a first public forum to discuss the needs of industry and strategies for supply chain academics to meet those needs.

Panel 2: Programmatic Strategies to Develop a Talent Pipeline: Building on the discussion in the previous panel, nationally and internationally renowned academics with the guidance of prominent industry practitioners will discuss programmatic, curricular and recruitment strategies to develop a high quality, reliable pipeline of supply chain talent.

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