

CHAMBER IN-TOUCH

FEBRUARY 2024



Interaction meeting with Delegates from Asian Development Bank (ADB) - 6th February 2024



Ms. K. Saraswathi, Secretary General, Chief Guest at the valedictory session at JBAS 2 Day International Conference - Business Resilience Paradigm shift in Industry 5.0 - 21st February 2024

Virtual Programs

SUSTAINABILITY PEAKS TALK #10

CO₂ CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION & PATH TOWARDS NET ZERO

FRIDAY | FEBRUARY 23, 2024 | 4:30-5:45 PM

SPEAKER



Dr. Rajnish Kumar has served as senior scientist at CSIR-NCL, and research associate at National Research Council, Canada. He is an awardee of Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for his contribution to engineering science. He was recognized as Highly Cited Researcher in the year 2018. In 2020, he received Dr. YBG Verma Award for Excellence in Chemical Engineering Teaching at IIT Madras.

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WOMEN LEADERSHIP Coffee Connect Session

27 February 2024, 4-5:30 pm

IN CONVERSATION WITH



Mr N K Ranganath
Former MD, Grundfos Pumps

GUEST SPEAKER



Ms Vanitha Mohan
Chairman
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Schedule of Programs - February 2024

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Budget Telecast Meeting

1st February 2024

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**JBAS 2 Day International conference -
Business Resilience Paradigm shift in Industry 5.0**

20th & 21st February 2024

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**Sustainability Speaks Series Talk# 10 -
CO₂ Capture and Sequestration & Path towards Net Zero**

23rd February 2024

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Women Leadership Coffee Connect Session

27th February 2024

Committee Meetings

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Budget Telecast Meeting

1st February 2024



As per the usual practice, a few members of the Governing council and Expert Committees viewed the budget and the comments were shared with the media. The Hindu, DT Next have reported the same.



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**JBAS 2 Day International conference -
Business Resilience Paradigm shift in Industry 5.0**

20th & 21st February 2024



The Chamber was the Associate partner for this conference and provided digital support.

Mr.Ganapathi, Co Chair, HR & IR Committee and Mr. Vittal Raj, Chair, BFSI Committee were the resource persons from the Chamber.

Ms.K. Saraswathi, Secretary General of the Chamber was the special Guest for the Valedictory Session. The joint efforts of the Institution and MCCI was lauded.



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Sustainability Speaks Series Talk# 10 - CO₂ Capture and Sequestration & Path towards Net Zero

23rd February 2024

This is part of the Sustainability Series and in the virtual session Dr. Rajnish Kumar (PhD), FRSC, Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology – Madras made a presentation on Carbon Sequestration. The program was attended by 50 persons and the feedback was positive.

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Women Leadership Coffee Connect Session

27th February 2024

This was the 5th in the series in the virtual coffee connect session.

Ms. Vanitha Mohan shared her journey both in Pricol and in Siruthuli in an informal chat with Mr. N.K.Ranganath, Former MD, Grundfos. The program was attended by 80 persons and the feedback was positive.

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Governing Council Meeting

The Governing Council Meeting was held on 10th February 2024.



Expert Committee Meetings

Expert Committee on Direct Taxes - 09th February 2024. (Virtual)



Expert Committee on Company Law / Corporate Matters - 13th February 2024.



A presentation on ESG was made by Mr. Soy Joseph, SAS Partners

Expert Committee on Legal Affairs - 15th February 2024.



The action plan was made for the next quarter.

Expert Committee on IT/ITes- 16th February 2024.



The action plan was made for the next quarter and it was agreed to have Phygital 2024 on June 19th 2024

Other Meetings

Interaction with Delegates from Asian Development Bank (ADB) – 6th February 2024



A delegation led by Ms. Ayako Inagaki, Sr. Director, ADB along with Ms. Gi Soon Son, Director (VIP Status), ADB, Ms. Shanti Jagannathan, Education Specialist, ADB, Mr. Praveen Manikpuri, Sr. Project Officer, ADB and officials from TNSDC had a meeting with the representatives of the Chamber at the MCCI premises.

Ms. Saraswathi, Secretary General of the Chamber. Mr. Sriram, Sammati, Mr. Sairam from Athena and Prof. Sridhar and Mr. Rajesh attended the meeting on behalf of the Chamber.

The discussion was to understand the Industry landscape towards Skills development.

Discussion with Austrade – 6th February 2024



Mr. Kamran Khan and Mr. Rastogi from Austrade discussed about the Skill development and proposed a roundtable in April 2024.

Ms. Saraswathi. K. Secretary General of the Chamber attended the birthday celebrations of the Emperor of Japan organized by the Consul General of Japan, TAGA Masayuki at Taj Coromandel on 14th February 2024.

Ms.K.Saraswathi took part in the launch of the Climate Risk and Water Change - A strategy and action plan in Chennai organised by Care Earth Trust at Hotel Taj Connemara on 15th February 2024

Ms. Saraswathi made a visit to Grundfos Pumps Ltd. on 16th February 2024 and had a meeting with a few department heads at Grundfos to establish the connect with the Chamber.

Ms. Saraswathi. K. Secretary General of the day represented the Chamber on the occasion of 76th national day of the Republic of Sri Lanka held on 19th February 2024 at Taj Coromandel, Nungambakkam.

Ms. K. Saraswathi attended the MMA Amalgamations Business Leadership Award function on 28th February 2024 at Taj Coromandel, Nungambakkam.
