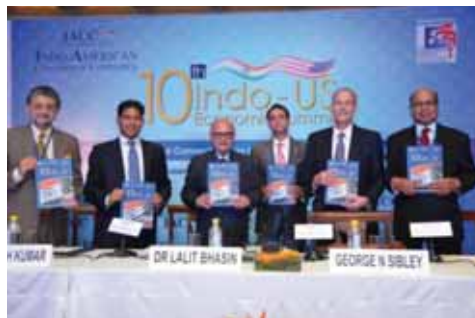




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National President's Message

Dear Friends,

Our northern region holds a special significance for Indo- American Chamber of Commerce (IACC), a Chamber that is very well and evenly represented across the country through its 11 offices in various locations pan India. Founded in 1968, IACC has been an important platform for deliberations on Indo-US strategic, economic, trade and business relationship.

Housing the Central Government as well as the US Embassy in India, Delhi is the crucial and strategic location for all policy dialogues and information dissemination and is therefore the most natural destination for high profile visits from the US.



Delhi-NCR, "THE" business destination for all foreign companies, multinationals, Indian corporates who want to do business in and with India, is also home to important IACC members from the North besides having significant representation from the neighboring states such as Punjab, Rajasthan, UP, Haryana etc as well as from other states and union territories of India.

Owing to the combination of these factors the North India Council (NIC) holds a special significance for our Chamber, playing a pivotal role in engaging high profile policy makers from India and US and also being the first platform for any high profile visit from the US. It enjoys a robust and dynamic industry participation with a diverse, powerful and active membership base of the US and Indian companies including the SMEs.

NIC has been highly successful in developing brilliant and proactive initiatives year after year that have been acting as knowledge intensive Forums facilitating trade as well as extensive, value added, high level networking. I would like to mention in this context the role played by the visionary leadership in the North in spearheading our collective goals and the very able and supportive secretariat that works tirelessly to achieve these.

I am pleased to acknowledge the profile of our activities during the last year in the Northern region reflected in the following pages. These pages will also reaffirm our position as the only bilateral Chamber for the promotion of not only Indo- US economic and trade cooperation but also for encouraging and facilitating a rich economic chemistry and socio cultural cooperation between our two great nations' businesses, communities and people as a whole.

I welcome you all to be an integral part of this great confluence and to play the historic role of furthering the shared and mutual aspirations and interests of Indo American trade, commerce and economic activities.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Asoke K. Laha', written in a cursive style.

Asoke K. Laha
National President
Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC)

Dear Members,

Another splendid year passed maintaining NIC in the forefront for the brilliant activities and initiatives under the powerful leadership and grand vision of its Regional President, Dr. Lalit Bhasin. NIC was successful in retaining its focus in repeatedly engaging the Indian and US Industries, businesses and governments through various sector specific Forums and also introducing unique networking platforms for its members.

Keeping a strong foothold in the Aviation and Aerospace sector, NIC supported the Civil Aviation Development Summit 2013 which was home to many thought leaders and Industry stalwarts from the Indian and Global Aviation Industry. The Summit focused on two main macro themes of Civil Aviation and Airports and featured Sessions on Infrastructure Development, Strategy and Policies, Expansion Plans, Success Stories, Technology, Innovations and future trends. Senior representatives from the US- India Cooperation Program (US- India ACP), a program that IACC is proud to host in Delhi, addressed various Sessions including the Inaugural, projecting the strong partnership cultivated between our governments and Industry in Aviation and its way forward.

Keeping abreast with the season' festivities, our highly proactive women's Committee organized a special Christmas Treat for members on 12th December 2014 at the residence of Ms Connie McCaslin, wife of Mr. John McCaslin, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs, US Embassy. It was a warm and enjoyable evening, full of savory food and drinks and ample networking between our senior office bearers, past presidents, members and U.S. Embassy officials.



(L-R) Mrs. Ann Mustard, Chairperson, NIC Women's Committee; Mrs. Nilanjana Dalmia (presenting memento to Ms McCaslin), Ms Margret Hanson Muse, Dy Commercial Counselor, US Embassy, Ms. Shobita Saigal



Mrs Aruna Sethi, NIC Chairperson, Luxury and Lifestyle committee welcoming the members

Following the trend, NIC's Luxury & Lifestyle committee organized "An evening – Italino" on 17th December 2013 at the residence of Ms Ann Marie Everitt. It was an authentic Italian experience for Members with Italian Music, Wine, Food and networking. The evening presented a first hand exposure to the rich Italian culture and heritage.

Adding a royal touch to the activities, the Committee also organized an exclusive evening with Maharaja Brajraj Singh & Maharani Meenakshi Devi of Kishangarh on 15th February 2014. Senior IACC members and US Embassy officials and their spouses got a chance to spend unforgettable moments while interacting with the Indian royalty.



(L-R) Ms. Carla Patricia Maradei; Ms. Ann Marie Everitt, Maharaja Brajraj Singh, Mrs. Aruna Sethi, Maharani Meenakshi Devi

NIC in association with KPMG organized a very important Interactive Workshop on “Transfer Pricing – Current Landscape” on Tuesday, 4th February 2014 at Crowne Plaza Today Gurgaon. It was addressed by global leaders from KPMG and very senior officials from the Indian government providing an exceptional window for the Indian and US industry, professionals and experts to interact and gain clarity on various issues related to Transfer Pricing in the Indian climate.



Mr. S K Sarkar, Chairman NIC Financial Services Committee welcoming the members



L to R -

Mr. Rajan Sachdev, Partner, Global Transfer Pricing Services, KPMG in India; Mr. Rohan Phatarphekar, Partner and National Leader, Global Transfer Pricing Services, KPMG in India, Mr. Sean F. Foley, Global Leader, Global Transfer Pricing Services, KPMG LLP; Mr. Kamlesh Varshney, Commissioner of Income Tax (APA); Mr. Vinod Mangotra, Senior Advisor, Global Transfer Pricing Services; Mr. Manoj Pardasani, Chartered Accountant

The workshop was addressed by high profile speakers including Mr. Sean F. Foley, Global Leader, Global Transfer Pricing Services, KPMG LLP, USA; Mr. Kamlesh Varshney, Commissioner of Income Tax (APA); Mr. Rohan Phatarphekar, Partner and National Leader, Global Transfer Pricing Services, KPMG in India, Mr. S K Sarkar, Past Regional President, IACC and Chairman, NIC’s Financial Services Committee.



(L-R) Mr. James D Rosener, Ms Valerie Demont, Mr. Atul Vyas, Acting Secretary General, IACC

Understanding the importance of Indian companies investing in US and taking great pride in being a forum that represents such member companies, IACC organized important workshops on Investing and Doing business in US with some of the leading US law firms visiting India exclusively for this purpose.



(L-R) Mr. Thiru Govender, Mr. S K Sarkar, Mr. Amit Maheshwari

These interactive workshops addressed by experts from Pepper Hamilton LLP and Elliott Davis gave a detailed perspective on entry to the US market, exit strategies and options, the creation of subsidiary in the United States and Identifying the pitfalls of acquisitions of middle market privately-owned companies with a particular focus on the Technology and Outsourcing sector.

Innovation and technology are key thrust areas of our governments in the Food processing and Agri business sector. Reflecting on this sentiment, the Food and Agri Business Committee organized a one day Conference on Innovation in Processed Food and Agri based Industry in India on 21st March 2014 in New Delhi.

Highlighting the huge potential for Indo- US partnership in investments and technology cooperation, the conference brought forward highly engaging technical sessions on topics such as Field to Market – Prevention of post-harvest losses and Innovations in Food Processing Technology & Adopting technology from US in India. Mr. Siraj Hussain, Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Processing Industries addressed the Special Session.



On podium Mr. Gurnam Arora, Chairman, Food & Agri Business Committee & Joint Managing Director, Kohinoor Foods Limited making the Theme presentation
On the dais - Ms. Saloni Nangia, President, Food & Agriculture Division, Technopak Advisors Pvt. Ltd.; Mr. Gokul Patnaik, Chairman, Global AgriSystem Pvt Ltd; Mr. Siraj Hussain, Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industry; Mr. Atul Vyas, ASG IACC and Mr. Jonn Slette, Senior Agricultural Attache, US Embassy

Other high profile speakers during the special session included Mr. Gokul Patnaik, Chairman, Global AgriSystem Pvt Ltd; Ms Saloni Nangia, President, Food & Agriculture division, Technopak Advisors Pvt Ltd; Mr. John Slette, Senior Agricultural Attache, US Embassy; Mr. Gurnam Arora, Chairman, Food & Agri Business Committee & Joint Managing Director, Kohinoor Foods Limited and Mr. Atul Vyas, Acting Secretary General.



On the podium –

Mr. Abhiram Seth, Managing Director, Aquaagri Processing Pvt Ltd giving the Industry perspective
On the dias – (L-R) Mr. Ramesh Babu, Senior Manager (Technical), Fresh and Healthy Enterprise Limited (FHEL); Dr Abhijit Kar, Sr. Scientist, Division of Food Science & Postharvest Technology, Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI); Dr R K Sharma, Director, National Horticulture Board, GOI; Dr Sushant Mishra, AVP – Foods, Kohinoor Foods Ltd and Mr Atul Khanna, Director, ICE Centre of Excellence and GCCA India



On the podium: Mr. Ajit Kumar, Vice Chancellor, NIFTEM addressing the conference.

On the dias Prof (Dr) Rajat K. Baisya, Chairman & Chief Consultant, Strategic Consulting Group Pvt Ltd; Dr Sushant Mishra, Mr. Sunil Gulati, Director – Technical Services, Coca Cola India Pvt Ltd and Mr. Nishant Arora, Business Head, Food division, Kohinoor Foods Ltd



Ms. Ann Mustard, Chairperson, IACC, NIC Women's Committee welcoming the members (L-R) Dr. Phyllis Wise, Ms. Julia Stanley and Ms. Renuka Rao, Country Coordinator, Education USA Advisory Services, United States-India Educational Foundation

Working very closely with the US Embassy, the Chamber recognized the need to raise the awareness of the gender gap as more than twice as many Indian men applied for student visas to study in the U.S. as women and organized a panel discussion on Potential for Increasing Indian Women's Enrollment in U.S. Higher Education" on 25th March 2014 at American Centre, New Delhi.

The key panelists included Dr. Phyllis Wise, Chancellor of the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign and Ms Julia Stanley, Minister Counselor for Consular Affairs, US Embassy. The discussion explored ways to encourage and empower more talented Indian women to study in the U.S. through enhanced exchange programs and information dissemination at the school level.



Ms Julia Stanley, Minister-Counselor for Consular Affairs, U.S. Embassy addressing the participants



Dr Lalit Bhasin, Regional President, IACC delivering the Vote of Thanks



(L-R) Mr. Vikas Vig, Partner, Mohinder Puri & Company; Dr Lalit Bhasin, Regional President, Indo-American Chamber of Commerce; Dr Kamal Gupta, Formerly Technical Director, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI); Mr. Aseem Chawla, Co-Chairman, IACC, NIC Financial, Services Committee & Partner, MPC Legal and Mr. S K Sarkar, Chairman, IACC, Financial Services Committee



Mr. Vikas Vig Chairing the session on Directors Responsibilities, Maintenance of Financial Statements & Auditors Obligations (L-R) Mr. Rajiv Bajaj, Associate Director-Company Secretary & CFO, Panasonic AVC Networks India Co. Ltd, Mr. Vikas Vig and Mr. Sanjay Vasudeva, Sr. Partner, S C Vasudeva & Co.

For the in-depth analysis of the Key Provision of Companies Act with special focus on foreign companies, NIC organized a Seminar on New Companies Act, 2013: Impact on Foreign Companies on Wednesday, 26th March 2014 at PHD House, New Delhi.

The seminar focused on Directors Responsibilities, Maintenance of Financial Statements & Auditors Obligations and the Impact of New Provision effecting foreign Companies. Dr Kamal Gupta, FCA, (Formerly Technical Director, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, ICAI) delivered the keynote address and gave an all encompassing perspective on the theme. Other experts from companies such as Price Waterhouse India, Godfrey Phillips India Limited, Accenture Services Pvt. Ltd, Panasonic AVC Networks India Co. Ltd etc. also contributed significantly in understanding the effects of the Companies Act on Indian and US companies.



Mr. S C Vasudeva chairing the session on – Analysis of Key Provision of Companies Act with special focus on foreign companies. (L-R) Dr. S. Chandrasekaran, FCS, Senior Partner, Chandrasekaran Associates, Mr. Subhash Chandra Vasudeva, Sr Partner, S C Vasudeva & Co; Mr. Sanjay Gupta Company Secretary, Godfrey Phillips India Limited and Mr. Aseem Chawla



Mr. Harinderjit Singh, Senior Partner, Price Waterhouse India chairing the Special session on Impact of New Provision effecting foreign Companies. (L-R) Mr. Yogesh Singh, Corporate Partner, Trilegal; Mr. Gyanendra Mishra, Employment Law Lead, Accenture Services Pvt. Ltd; Mr. Harinderjit Singh and Mr. Dipankar Vig, Partner, MPC Legal

NIC's Infrastructure Committee along with ASAPP Media Information Group organized the 6th Annual India Roads Conference and Infra Connect on Wednesday, 26th March 2014 in New Delhi. The conference was a turning point for Infra business in India. A large number of infrastructure leaders came together for a high powered networking event that detailed business opportunities in 2014-2015 for developers, contractors and vendors. Chief Guest Mr. Anil Swarup, Additional Secretary, Cabinet Committee on Investments (CCI) lauded the initiative taken by the conference. Some of the high profile speakers for the Roads Conference included Mr. S. C Mittal, Senior VP IL&FS Transportation; Mr. Adesh Jain, Honorary President, Project Management Associates (PMA), Mr. Arun Sharma, CEO-Highways, GMR, Mr. Sudhir Hoshing, CEO-Roads, Reliance Infra and Mr. Ashish Wig, Chairman, Infrastructure Committee, IACC, NIC.

Dr. Lalit Bhasin, Regional President, IACC did the special honour of hosting an excellent cocktails and dinner reception in honour of IACC's Executive Council members and National President, Mr. Chella K. Srinivasan on 4th April 2014 at The Lalit NewDelhi. The evening was much appreciated by the national board members and Mr. Srinivasan extended a warm thank you to Dr Bhasin for the exceptional hospitality extended by him in New Delhi. Also present on the occasion were IACC's past presidents, Regional Council members, dignitaries and key members of the Chamber.



(LtoR) Mrs Aruna Sethi, Chairperson, IACC, NIC Luxury & Lifestyle Committee, Mrs Bhaswati Laha and Mrs Ann Mustard, Chairperson, IACC, NIC Women's Committee



Dr Lalit Bhasin, Regional President, IACC-NIC welcoming the National President, IACC, Mr. Chella K Srinivasan



Dr. Lalit Bhasin addressing the Members

Taking a slightly different tone, the Infrastructure Committee organized an Interactive Session on "Romanticizing the Ruins"—5th April 2014. The Session was organized to highlight the great importance of our heritage and culture and ways to preserve it with the help of the industry. It showcased engaging discussions on topics such as Countering Globalization and Preserving Local Identity: Centre Stage Heritage and collaboration between private and public sectors for preserving the Indian heritage. Dr. B R Mani, Additional Director General, ASI, Ministry of Culture, GOI who delivered the Keynote Address shared the initiatives taken by the Government in the preservation of the heritage.



(L-R) Mr. Ashish Wig, Chairman Infrastructure Committee NIC, Dr. Lalit Bhasin, IACC, Regional President, NIC, Chief Guest, Dr B.R Mani Additional Director General, ASI, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, Mr. Chella K Srinivasan, IACC, National President, Ms Lipika Sud. Co-Chairperson Infrastructure Committee.



(L-R) Mr. Aman Nath, Founder, Neemrana Hotels, Ms. Amita Baig, Regional Representative, World Monument Fund, Dr. Navina Jafa, Heritage Educationist, Ms. Lipika Sud, Co-Chairperson, Infrastructure Committee, Ms. Sonali Bhagwati, President & Principle Architect, Design Plus, Ms Nidhi Mudura, Research Associate, National Culture Fund, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, Mr. David Mees, Cultural Attaché, Public Affairs, US Embassy



Participants during the event

NIC's much waited Annual Fellowship Nite, the flagship social event, celebrated the true essence of camaraderie shared between the Chamber and the US Embassy over the past so many years. Organized on 20th August 2014, it made a special attempt to felicitate the American Embassy Officials from various sections in honour of the warm and excellent working relationship that NIC enjoyed with them. NIC had the privilege of honouring Mr. John M McCaslin, Minister Counsellor for Commercial Affairs; Mr. George N Sibley, Minister Counsellor for Economic Affairs and Environment, Science and Technology; Mr. Allan P Mustard, Minister Counsellor for Agricultural Affairs; Ms C J Collins, Sr. Representative South Asia, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA);



Chief Guest Mr. K K Modi, President, Godfrey Phillips India Limited addressing the participants



L TO R Mr. K K Modi, President, Godfrey Phillips India Limited; Mr. John M McCaslin, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs, US Embassy; Mr. Rakesh Bakshi, Ms Connie McCaslin

Ms Mehnaz Ansari, Country Representative – India, US Trade & Development Agency; Mr. John A Beed, Mission Director, United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The Chamber also welcomed new officers, Mr. Dillon Banerjee, Counsellor for Commercial Affairs; Ms. Robyn Kessler, Principle Commercial Officer; Mr. Paul Frost, Commercial Officer and Ms Tyrena Holley, Commercial Officer from the US Embassy who had recently joined the Embassy in India. NIC played true homage to the Industry by inviting its chief patron, Mr. K K Modi, President, Godfrey Phillips India Limited as the Chief Guest for the evening who gave a gripping address on the important role of the Industry in forging strong bilateral bonds through Forums such as the Chamber.



L to R Mr. Sandeep Marwah, President, Marwah Studio; Mr. Sanjay Mehta, Managing Director, Teleperformance India; Mrs Sonia Mehta, Mr. Raman Roy, Chairman & Managing Director, Quattro BPO Solutions Pvt. Ltd



L To R Ms Mehnaz Ansari, Country Representative –India, US Trade & Development Agency; Mr. Allan P Mustard, Mr. Rakesh Bakshi, Mr. George Sibley, Ms Ann Mustard



IACC senior leaders : Dr Lalit Bhasin, Dr M K Modi, Chairman & Managing Director, Group of MKM, Mr. Deepak Pahwa, Managing Director, Bry-Air (Asia) (P) Ltd; Mr. Atul Sharma, Managing Partner, Link Legal India Law Services; Mr. Raman Roy, Chairman & Managing Director, Quattro BPO Solutions Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Gautam Mahajan, President, Inter-link Services (P) Ltd



Mr. Rakesh Bakshi presenting bouquet to Mr. John McCaslin and Mr. George Sibley



Ms Rinki Dhingra presenting memento to Ms C J Collins



Dr Lalit Bhasin presenting memento to Ms Mehnaz Ansari



Ms Rinki Dhingra presenting memento to Ms Robyn Kessler, Principal Commercial Officer



Mr. Rakesh Bakshi presenting memento to Mr. John A Beed, Mission Director, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)



Mr. K K Modi presenting memento to Mr. Allan P Mustard



Mr. Rakesh Bakshi presenting memento to Mr. Paul Frost, Commercial Officer



Mr. K K Modi presenting memento to Ms Tyrena Holley, Commercial Officer



Mr. Rakesh Bakshi presenting memento to Mr. Dillon Banerjee, Counselor for Commercial Affairs



Ms. Rita Singh, Managing Director, MESCO and Regional Council Member IACC addressing the gathering

Acknowledging the strength and importance of Women Entrepreneurship, NIC partnered with The Confederation of Women Entrepreneurs (COWE) in organizing a seminar on Women Entrepreneurship on 3rd September 2014 at PHD House. Mrs Parvinder Sohi Behuria, NHRC (Retd. Secretary General) was the Chief Guest during the occasion. NIC also got a chance to showcase the great vision of its distinguished women leaders such as Ms Rita Singh, Regional Council Member, IACC & CMD, MESCO Steel Ltd. and Ms Ann Mustard, Chairperson, IACC, NIC's Women's Committee who addressed the Seminar.



Ms. Ann Mustard, Chairperson, IACC, NIC Women's Committee addressing the participants

Taking cue from our Prime Minister's focus and the new government's robust initiatives on Financial Inclusion, NIC organized a Seminar on 'Financial Inclusion: Empowering the common man' on 12th September, 2014 in New Delhi. The highlights included address by Ms Rachna Dikshit, General Manager, Reserve Bank of India who elaborated how RBI defines Financial Inclusion, and how developments like Cloud computing, NEFT, RTGS and Banking Correspondents have helped in the implementation of Financial Inclusion. Mr. Anurag Jain, IAS, Joint Secretary, Department of Financial Services, Government of India, was the Chief Guest & in his address, he apprised the audience of various developments in Financial Inclusion and the 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna'. He explained the aspects of this scheme which was being unveiled in two phases and had built into it, meaningful incentives that could ensure empowerment of the poor. After the conclusion of his address, he welcomed suggestions and questions from the industry representatives and professionals.



Mr. S K Sarkar, Chairman, IACC Financial Services Committee making the presentation
L to R Mr. Aseem Chawla, Co-Chairman, IACC NIC Financial Services Committee; Mr. M K Doogar, Co-Chairman, IACC NIC Financial Services Committee; Ms Rachna Dikshit, General Manager, Reserve Bank; Mr Anurag Jain, IAS, Joint Secretary, Department of Financial Services, Government of India; Mr S K Sarkar and Mr Gaurav Batra, Director Management Consulting, KPMG Advisory Services Pvt Ltd



Mr. T K Arun, Editor (Opinion), The Economic Times moderating the Panel Discussion
L to R Mr P K Vijay, Managing Director, Corporate Professionals Capital Pvt Ltd; Mr. Amarjit Chopra, Ex-President, ICAI; Mr. S S Bhandari, Senior Partner, S S Bhandari & Co.; Mr. T K Arun; Mr. S K Sarkar; Mr. Saurav Kasera, Partner, Prosperitas Services LLC and Mr. Gaurav Batra, Director Management Consulting, KPMG Advisory Services Pvt Ltd

This was followed by an enriching panel discussion which was moderated by Mr T.K. Arun, Editor (Opinion), The Economic Times. The other eminent Panelists included Mr S.S. Bhandari, Senior Partner, S S Bhandari & Co.; Mr. Amarjit Chopra, Ex-President, ICAI; Mr. P.K. Vijay, Managing Director, Corporate Professionals Capital Pvt. Ltd; Mr. Gaurav Batra, Director Management Consulting, KPMG Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Saurav Khasera, Partner, Prosperitas Services LLC.

Keeping the sports spirits alive, IACC-NIC organized its annual invitational Tennis Tournament on Sunday 14th September 2014 at the R. K. Khanna Tennis Stadium, New Delhi. The tournament took an altogether different dimension with Ambassador Kathleen Stephens, Chargé d' Affaires, a.i. of the Embassy of the United States of America present on the occasion as the Chief Guest and also a gracious participant in the tournament. Also participating were the distinguished ambassadors from the Republic of Guatemala and Poland. The morning witnessed highly engaging and competitive rounds of Tennis.



Mr. Ashish Chandiok, Chairman, NIC Sports Committee presenting memento to the Ambassador Kathleen Stephens, Chargé d' Affaires, a.i. of the Embassy of the United States of America

Ambassador Kathleen Stephens also did the special honour of giving away the trophies to the winners followed by a networking lunch. The tournament included senior representatives from the Industry, Government and US Embassy including Mr. John M. McCaslin, Minister Counsellor for Commercial Affairs.

Huge laurels came NIC's way after the successful conclusion of its annual flagship event, the 10th Indo-US Economic Summit in the capital on October 15-16, 2014 under the exceptional leadership of its Chairman, Dr. Lalit Bhasin. The Summit was strategically timed after the much hyped visit of our Prime Minister Modi to the United States of America and his talks with President Obama on various issues including building on our economic cooperation through a set of proactive strategic initiatives. The Summit, through its highly engaging technical Sessions brought forward some of these focus areas also highlighting the crucial US government's perspective, with US Foreign Commercial Service officially supporting the Summit right from the stages of conceptualization and planning.

For the 10th consecutive year, the Summit retained its vigor and glory and remained to be the one stop platform for Indo- US dialogue in strategic, economic, trade and business relations. Spanning over two days, it played an effective role in highlighting some of the critical sectors of Indo- US cooperation such as IT and Cyber Security; Trends in Indo-US Cooperation in Aviation including developing our Aviation infrastructure as well as the regulatory climate; Education and Skill Development



Dr Lalit Bhasin, Summit Chairman and Regional President, IACC delivering the Welcome Remarks

Hospitality and Tourism; International Trade also focusing on WTO issues post Bali; e-Commerce, The Changing Paradigm: Driving Consumer Empowerment; Media and Entertainment and Exchange of Services “Cooperation in Accounting, Financial & Legal Services”. The technical sessions on the aforementioned sectors showcased a highly impressive



Mr. Asoke K Laha, National President, IACC & President & CEO, Interra Information Technologies Inc. making the Theme Präsentation

line-up of speakers and provided excellent opportunity to soak in thought provoking discussions and industry insights. It also presented a great window to interact with these luminaries and also amongst the distinguished participants with a total footfall of over 250 delegates on both the days.



Participants at the Summit

Technical Sessions

IT and Cyber Security



L to R Mr. Daniel Clegg, Legal Attache, Federal Bureau of Investigation; Dr. Kamlesh Bajaj, Chief Executive Officer, Data Security Council of India (DSCI); Mr. Umesh Verma, CEO, Blue Lance Inc. & Chairman Cyber Security Task Force of Greater Houston Partnership; Mr. Umesh Sachdev, Chief Executive Officer, Uniphore Software Systems and Mr. Ashish Sonal, Founder & CEO, Orkash Services Pvt Ltd

Trends in Indo-US Cooperation in Aviation



L to R - Mr. Amber Dubey, Partner and Head-Aerospace and Defense, KPMG; Mr. Nalin Jain, President and CEO, South Asia, GE Transportation, GE Aviation; Mr. Arijit Ghosh, President –Aerospace Honeywell India; Mr. Henry Steingass, Regional Director, S&SE Asia, USTDA; Mr. Atul Sharma, Past Regional President, IACC & Managing Partner, Link Legal India Law Services; Mr. Piyush Gupta, Partner, Kochhar & Co; Mr. Ravi S Menon, Executive Director, Air Works India; Group Captain R K Bali (Retd), Secretary, Business Aircraft Operators Association (BAOA) and Cdre A M Ganapathy, Managing Partner, ACCOLITE CBAS Inc

Education and Skill Development



L to R – Mr. Deepak Bharara, Chief Human Resource Officer, Lanco Infratech Limited; Mr. Sanjay Mehta; Mr. Vivek Vikram Singh, Executive Director, *Grant Thornton* India LLP; Prof Rupa Chanda, IIM Bangalore and Mr. Dilip Chenoy, Managing Director & CEO, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)

Hospitality and Tourism



L to R **Mr. Navin Berry**, Chief Executive, Cross Section Media; Mr. Sunder Advani, CMD, Advani Hotels & Resorts India Pvt. Ltd; **Mr. John M McCaslin**, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs, US Embassy; **Mr. Baljit Sobti**, Managing Director, Systems Tek India Pvt Ltd; **Mr. Vikram Madhok**, Managing Director, Abercrombie & Kent India Ltd and **Mrs. Ragini Chopra**, Director, Jetairways

International Trade



L to R – Mr. Don Jackson, Partner, Ware Jackson Lee & Chambers; Mr. Ronen Sen, Former Indian Ambassador to US; Mr. Kamal Meattle, CEO, Paharpur Business Centre & Software Technology Incubator Park; Dr Lalit Bhasin; Mr. R Chandrashekhar, *President, NASSCOM* and Mr Hugo Yon, Acting Minister Counselor for Economic, Environment, Science and Technology, US Embassy

e-Commerce, The Changing Paradigm: Driving Consumer Empowerment



L to R Mr Skand Bhargava, Lead Analyst, Contact Center Outsourcing, Everest Group; Mr Sunil K Goyal, CEO, Yournest.in; Mr. Sanjay Mehta; Dr Lalit Bhasin; Mr. Amarjit Singh Batra, CEO, OLX South Asia; Mr. Praveen Sinha, MD & Founder, Jabong.com and Mr. Nitin Bawankule, Industry Director, Ecommerce, Local and Media, Google India

Media and Entertainment



L to R Mr. Santosh Bhartiya, CEO, Senior Media Ltd; Mr. Sandeep Marwah, Director of Asian Academy of Film & Television & Asian School of Media Studies; Mr. Uday Singh, Managing Director, The Motion Picture Distributors Association India and Mr. Pankaj Parashar, Film Director

Exchange of Services “Cooperation in Accounting, Financial & Legal Services”



L to R Mr. Thiru Govender, CPA, Shareholder, Elliott Davis PLLC; Mr. Atul Sharma; Dr Lalit Bhasin; Mr. Aseem Chawla, Partner, MPC Legal; Ms. Shashi Patel, Ware, Jackson, Lee & Chambers, LLP and Mr. Sanjay Agarwal, Chairman, Committee on Economic, Commercial laws & WTO, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.