

Zero Project India Conference and CII-IBDN National Conference

on
'Global Networks and Innovations for Inclusive Employment in India'

Supported by: Omidyar Network India
Lead Partner: Youth4Jobs

Detailed Agenda

*All timings are in Indian Standard Time (IST)

Day 1: 19 September 2023

1300 – 1400 hrs	Registration & Networking lunch	
1400 hrs	Unveiling of conference	
1400 – 1410 hrs	Welcome address & introducing Zero Project India and CII	Meera Shenoy, Founder & CEO, Youth4Jobs
1410 – 1420 hrs	Opening address	Venkataraman S V, Chairman, CII National Committee on Empowerment of PwDs & IBDN and Managing Director, ANZ
1420 – 1430 hrs	Address: Importance of investing in inclusion	Shilpa Kumar, Partner, Omidyar Network India
1430 – 1440 hrs	Address: International significance of the conference	Martin Essl, Founder and Chairman, Essl Foundation & Zero Project
1440 – 1450 hrs	Special address	Satoshi Sasaki, Officer-in-Charge (India), International Labour Organization (ILO)
1450 – 1510 hrs	Keynote address	Rajesh Aggarwal, Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
1510 – 1515 hrs	Accessibility playbook launch	
1515 – 1520 hrs	Theme address	Seema Arora, Deputy Director General, CII
1520 – 1540 hrs	Address by Friend of	Saiyami Kher, Indian Actor

	Zero Project India Conference	
1540 – 1600 hrs	Exhibition inaugural	
1615–1700 hrs	<p><u>Panel Discussion</u> How can global collaboration on innovative solutions and technology support inclusive employment in India?</p>	<p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tariq Mustafa, Omidyar Network India <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sanjay Dawar, Accenture • Jurgen Menze, International Labour Organisation • Ashutosh Chadha, Microsoft • Priyanka Mohanty, Startek • Susan Scott-Parker, Business Disability International, United Kingdom (Virtual speaker) • Charlotte McClain-Nhlapo, The World Bank Group, United States (Virtual speaker)
1700 – 1715 hrs	Break	
1715– 1800 hrs	<p><u>Panel Discussion</u> Innovations addressing rural livelihoods</p>	<p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Armaan Ali, NCPEDP <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Sankara Raman, Amar Sewa Sangam • Mallikarjun lytha, IDEA • Deepak Raj Sapkota, Karuna Foundation, Nepal • Prahlad Beniwal, Grassroot Divyang Mitra • Neena George, SAVE Foundation, Belgium • Sneha Gokhale, SELCO Foundation
1800 hrs	Hi-tea & networking	

Day 2: 20 September 2023

0930 – 1000 hrs	Welcome tea and exhibition visit	
1000 – 1015 hrs	Preview to the second conference day	<p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Fembek, Zero Project, Austria • Meera Shenoy, Youth4Jobs • Sumita Kunashakaran, Zero Project, Austria
1015 – 1100 hrs	<p><u>Panel Discussion</u> Impact investing in India</p>	<p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ankita Shirodariya, Social Alpha <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sameer Garg, Axis Bank Foundation • Nirat Bhatnagar, Dalberg Advisors • Shilpa Kumar, Omidyar Network India • Anuradha Jain, USAID
1100 – 1145 hrs	<p><u>Panel Discussion</u> The role of innovative technologies for job creation in the Indian market</p>	<p><i>Experience sharing by Leading technology companies on leveraging innovative technologies in assisting and achieving inclusive employment</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunita Cherian, Wipro <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praveen Kumar Sangappa, Applied Material • Shilpi Kapoor, Barrierbreak • Ajit Narayanan, Google • Meenu Bhambhani, State Street
1145 – 1215 hrs	Break	
1215 – 1300 hrs	<p><u>Panel Discussion</u> Innovation labs addressing the growing needs of India</p>	<p><i>Innovation labs, Design hubs, and accelerators come together to share some of their promising innovations, and what are some of the challenges, and societal gaps that they have helped to address the needs of.</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shashaank Awasthi, v-shesh <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Klaus Hoeckner, Access Austria • Michal Rimon, Access Israel • Prateek Madhav, ATF Labs • Carola Rubia, Fundación Descúbreme, Chile • P.V. Madhusudhan Rao, IIT Delhi • Lourdes Márquez de la Calleja, Fundación ONCE, Spain (Virtual speaker)

1300 – 1400 hrs	Lunch	
1400 – 1445 hrs	Presenting the DISH database for global cooperation on innovation and scaling	<p><i>Zero Project and EnAble India present the global database and its implementation to support Indian stakeholders.</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sayomdeb Mukerjee, EnAble India <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dipesh Sutariya, EnAble India • Michael Fembek, Zero Project, Austria • Sameer Rawal, DISQ • Ankita Shirodariya, Social Alpha
1445 – 1530 hrs	Launching WE-DO, the global women entrepreneurs with disability initiative	<p><i>Youth4Jobs give a global call for alliance partners working in the space of women entrepreneurs with disability to join hands, supported by Zero Project</i></p> <p>Moderator :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meera Shenoy, Youth4jobs <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sanjana Govindan, WE-DO • Manisha Gulabrao Patil, Amazon • Lasanthi Daskon, IFES • Minu Mandarwaliya, Rajasthan Samagrah Kalyan Sansthan • Rekha Srinivasan, United Way • Shivani Kumar, CII Foundation
1530 – 1615 hrs	Panel Discussion Leveraging vocational training for job creation	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chitra Shyam, Barclays <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aziza Ahmed, Bangladesh Business Disability Network (BBDN) • Barsha Banerjee, Perkins School for the Blind • Praveen Karn, Spark Minda • Daniel Van Sant, The Harkin Institute, United States • Patrick Romzek, Bridge to Opportunity, United States (Virtual Speaker)
1615 – 1700 hrs	Au revoir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Fembek, Zero Project, Austria • Meera Shenoy, Youth4jobs
1700 hrs	Post conference networking	