

**Schedule of the International Relations Conference 2016: 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016</b>		
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Inauguration Ceremony</b>	<p><b>Guests of Honour</b>  <b>H.E. Mr. Saud Al Bimani (Cabinet Minister Rank)</b>                      Vice Chancellor, Sultan Qaboos University,                      Sultanate of Oman [<b>Confirmed</b>]</p>
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	<b>Session I  Trade, Investment and Economic Growth</b>	<p align="center"><b><u>Keynote speaker</u></b></p> <p><b>Amb. K. V. Bhagirath</b>, Secretary General, Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA), Port Louis, Mauritius (Confirmed)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Dr. Sanjay Chaturvedi</b>, Dept. of Political Science, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India (Confirmed)</li> <li>2. <b>Dr. Saman Kelegama</b>, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS), Colombo, Sri Lanka (Confirmed)</li> <li>3. <b>Amb. Munshi Faiz Ahmad</b> Chairman, Bangladesh Institute Of International Strategic Studies (BIISS) (Confirmed)</li> <li>4. <b>Mr. Amar Sinha</b>, Secretary (Economic Relations), Ministry of External Affairs, India (confirmed)</li> </ol>
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>	
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	<b>Session II  Defence and Security</b>	<p align="center"><b><u>Keynote speaker</u></b></p> <p><b>Dr. Arvin Boolell</b>, Former Foreign Minister of the Republic of Mauritius (Confirmed)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Adm. Anup Kumar</b>, Vivekananda Foundation, New Delhi (Confirmed)</li> <li>2. <b>Dr. C. Raja Mohan</b>, Director, Carnegie Endowment for Peace, India Centre, Delhi, India (Confirmed)</li> <li>3. <b>Mr. Peter Varghese</b>, Former Permanent Secretary of Australia (Confirmed)</li> </ol>

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		<p>4. <b>Amb. Ong Keng Yong</b>, Director, RSIS, NUS, Singapore (Confirmed)</p> <p>5. <b>Mr. Nitin Gokhale</b>, Defence expert (confirmed)</p>
7:30 PM onwards	<b>INAUGURAL DINNER</b>	

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016		
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	<p><b>Session III Civilizational</b></p> <p><b>Linkages and Soft Power Diplomacy</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Keynote speaker</u></b> <b>Mr. Ram Madhav National General Secretary BJP</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Prof. Suryanarayan</b>, Chennai Centre for China Studies, Chennai, India (confirmed)</li> <li>2. <b>Dr. Baladas Ghoshal</b>, Society for Indian Ocean Studies, New Delhi, India (Confirmed)</li> <li>3. <b>Amb. (Retd.) Talmiz Ahmad</b> (confirmed)</li> <li>4. <b>Ms. Namrata Kumar</b>, DDG, ICCR, (confirmed)</li> <li>5. <b>Dr. Kavita Sharma</b>, President, South Asian University [Confirmed]</li> </ol>
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	<p><b>Session IV</b></p> <p><b>Development Cooperation</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Keynote speaker</u></b> <b>Mrs Nancy Karigithu</b> , Principal Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Kenya (Confirmed)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Mr. Yaduvendra Mathur</b>, CMD EXIM Bank (confirmed)</li> <li>2. <b>Prof. Alok Bansal</b>, Director, India Foundation (confirmed)</li> <li>3. <b>Rajeev Mehrotra</b> , Chairman, RITES, (Confirmed)</li> </ol>

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		4. <b>Capt. G.S. Khurana</b> , Executive Director, National Maritime Foundation, Delhi (Confirmed)
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>	
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	<b>Session V Blue Economy</b>	<p align="center"><b><u>Keynote speaker</u></b></p> <p><b>H. E. Ms. Chitrangene Wagiswara</b> High Commissioner, Sri Lanka High Commission (Confirmed)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p>5. <b>Dr. S.K. Mohanty</b>, RIS, Delhi, India (Confirmed)</p> <p>6. <b>Amb. (Retd.) Dinkar Srivastava</b> (confirmed)</p> <p>7. <b>Dr. Ravishankar C.N.</b>, Director, Central Institute of Fisheries Technology, (Confirmed)</p> <p>8. <b>Dr. Vikrom Mathur</b>, Senior Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, Delhi (Confirmed)</p>