Online Inaugural Event
Berkeley Innovation Forum
August 5, 6 & 7, 2020 - Anchored by UC Berkeley, Center for Growth Markets

Rebuilding India Initiatives - Post-COVID
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Chairman: Amitabh Kant, CEO of NITI Aayog, The Government ThinkTank Chaired by Prime Minister Modi
Co-Chair: Sunil Munjal, Chairman, AIMA International, and Chairman of Hero Enterprises.
Convener: Solomon Darwin, Executive Director, Center for Growth Markets, UC Berkeley

Purpose of the Meeting: To hear from each other, to formulate collaborative activities across industries to move India forward on three specific initiatives listed on the agenda. The objective of this meeting is to sign-off on working together “offline” in preparing a road-map that will be presented to this group at our next meeting on February 22, 23, & 24, 2021.

Initiative #1: Establish India as the Second Manufacturing Hub for Diversified Global Supply Chains
- Expand hub-diversification strategies
- Develop efficient supply chains for consumables

Initiative #2: Develop Digital Infrastructure for Early Education and Skill Development for Job Creation
- Leverage digital platforms to deliver holistic early education to build a talent pipeline
- Accelerate digitally-enabled certified corporate training for job creation among aspirational youth

Initiative #3: Build Ecosystems in Key Sectors to Mitigate Pandemic Risk
- Create digital healthcare solutions for efficient last-mile access
- Create transparent agriculture platforms for frictionless farm-to-plate channels
- Deepen financial inclusion and risk management in underserved sectors and regions

Objective of the Meeting: To set the stage for “offline meetings” for participating firms to identify opportunities that will enhance value chains and ecosystems that are scalable and sustainable. That process includes jointly exploring prospects for a) cost elimination, b) risk-sharing, c) relieving of bottlenecks, d) tightening weakest links and e) resource sharing among and between participating firms.

Guidance for Opening Remarks: Discussants are expected to answer the following questions to start the table discussions:
1. What value proposition would you suggest for the initiative you had been selected? How will your firm contribute to stakeholders?
2. Which firms you would like to collaborate that will expand your value proposition to expand your markets and ecosystem?
3. How can the government help your firm or industry to achieve your objectives?
4. Whom have you identified as a POC within your firm to work with us offline to identify and explore collaborative opportunities?

Berkeley-Haas Hosts: Ann Harrison, Dean; Catherine Wolfram, Assoc. Dean; Ganesh Iyer, Faculty Director, Center for Growth Markets

Offline Roadmapping Team: Selected members of UC Berkeley-Haas Faculty, NITI Aayog ThinkTank, & Retired Silicon Valley Executives.