As the fastest-growing large economy in the world, India has demonstrated remarkable strength and resilience amid a global slowdown. The country’s and region’s role is critical to the sustainability of global economic growth and, if this is to be Asia’s century, the role of South Asia will be indispensable.

The rise of advanced technologies has the potential to create economic and social value and bolster India’s goal of maintaining its growth momentum while attaining greater social inclusion and regional cooperation. Held under the theme, Innovating for India: Strengthening South Asia, Impacting the World, the meeting will convene key leaders from government, the private sector, academia and civil society to facilitate dialogue on policy tools, business models, industry standards, norms and guidelines for boosting the dynamism of India to attain its growth potential.

The meeting will focus on accelerating the adoption of Fourth Industrial Revolution technologies and optimally governing them to assist India to leapfrog to an advanced stage of development and provide the world with replicable proof of a successful model, affecting billions of people globally.

More than ever before, the world needs to engage with India and South Asia, while the region must expand its leadership in a wide range of global initiatives. Besides South Asia, the meeting programme will also emphasize ASEAN and how the two regions, defined by their demographic and digital dividends, will shape our collective future.

Held in collaboration with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the India Economic Summit will build on its more than three decades of success and explore key issues while engaging the global multistakeholder community of the World Economic Forum for action and impact.
Meet the Co-Chairs

Sheikh Hasina  
Prime Minister of Bangladesh

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Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance of Singapore

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Executive Vice-Chairperson, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise, India

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Sportsperson and UN Women Goodwill Ambassador for South Asia, India

Shailendra Singh  
Managing Director, Sequoia Capital, Singapore

Gillian Tans  
Chairwoman, Booking.com, Netherlands

On the agenda

The meeting will address strategic issues of regional significance under four thematic pillars:

- The New Geopolitical Reality – Geopolitical shifts and the complexity of our global system
- The New Social system – Inequality, inclusive growth and health
- The New Ecological System – Food, Environment and Climate Change
- The New Technological System – The Fourth Industrial Revolution, science, and innovation and entrepreneurship

Who is taking part?

Institutional Members and Partners – The most influential regional and international corporations
Forum Members – Innovative businesses harnessing technology to drive future growth
Public Figures – Ministers, public-sector leaders and policy-makers committed to improving the state of the region
Technology Pioneers – Companies developing life-changing technologies with the potential for long-term impact on business and society
Young Global Leaders – Leaders under the age of 40 providing insight into the priorities and expectations of future generations
Civil Society Organizations – Leaders driving social progress from non-governmental, labour and faith-based organizations
Global Shapers – Individuals under the age of 30 selected for their leadership potential
Social Entrepreneurs – Leaders driving social change with innovative business solutions and partnership models
Young Scientists – Exceptional researchers producing groundbreaking work across disciplines
Faculty and Global Future Council Members – Top experts generating insight through thought leadership and interdisciplinary collaboration
Cultural Leaders – Renowned artists challenging assumptions about technology, sharing visions of the future and building bridges on global issues
Media Leaders – Publishers and editors-in-chief, top economic columnists and editors of leading science publications
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**Where will the meeting take place?**  
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