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# Path to New Economic Nirvana

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## AIMA-Imperial College Conference

During the conference, educationists, policy makers and corporate leaders of both India and the UK deliberated on international cooperation and the way forward to growth and development

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All India Management Association in its endeavour to provide a platform for thought-

provoking deliberations, organised the AIMA-Imperial College conference in London where national and international business and academic leaders discussed the path to

economic growth. Jo Johnson, MP, Minister of State for Universities, Science, Research and Innovation, UK, emphasised the UK's extraordinary research capacity,



(L-R) Sunil Kant Munjal, President, AIMA and Chairman, The Hero Enterprise; Francisco Veloso, Dean, Católica Lisbon School of Business & Economics and Adjunct Professor, Carnegie Mellon University; Tarun Ramadorai, Professor, Financial Economics, Imperial College London; Laura Citron, Chief Executive Officer, London & Partners; Manvinder 'Vindi' Banga, Partner, Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, LLC and Jayanth Narayanan, Professor, IMD Business School, Switzerland



(L-R) Yuri Mishina, Associate Professor-Strategy, Imperial College London; David Gann, CBE, Vice President (Innovation), Imperial College London; Sudhir Jalan, Chairman, Neo Foods Pvt Ltd; Rajive Kaul, Chairman, Nicco Group and Kalyan Talluri, Munjal Chair of Global Operations, Imperial College London

producing 16 per cent of the world's most highly cited papers with just one per cent of the world's population. He also wanted to "send a message to prospective Indian students that they have the warmest welcome here."

After the welcome address by Alice P Gast, President, Imperial College London, Sunil Kant Munjal, President, AIMA and Chairman, The Hero Enterprise, addressed the gathering. "There is huge potential for cooperation between the two countries in higher education, scientific and industrial research, innovation and intellectual property," he said.

Eminent guests HE Mr YK Sinha, High Commissioner of India to the United Kingdom; Rt Hon Ms Patricia Hewitt, Chair, UK India Business Council (UKIBC) and Former Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, United Kingdom; and Jo Johnson, MP, Minister of State for Universities, Science, Research and Innovation, UK, in their keynote address spoke about India UK partnership and the way forward to

growth and development. The introductory remarks were made by Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA, while Nelson Phillips, Acting Dean, Imperial College Business School, concluded the session.



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It is difficult for any country to satisfy its economic and social needs on its own in this interdependent and interconnected world. First, because of information technology and cyber-connect. Secondly, because of global value chains, whereby production in one country is linked both through backward and forward linkages with other countries. Thus, market forces and state-actions that facilitate people-to-

Sudhir Jalan, Chairman, Neo Foods Pvt Ltd; David Gann, CBE, Vice President (Innovation), Imperial College London, and Yuri Mishina, Associate Professor-Strategy, Imperial College London, discussed key lessons of Brexit and how to make globalisation more equitable and inclusive. The session was moderated by Kalyan Talluri, Munjal Chair of Global Operations, Imperial College London.

In another session, moderated by Tarun Ramadorai, Professor, Financial Economics, Imperial College London, panelists Sunil Kant Munjal, President, AIMA and Chairman, The Hero Enterprise; Laura Citron, Chief Executive Officer, London & Partners; Manvinder 'Vindi' Banga, Partner, Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, LLC; Jayanth Narayanan, Professor, IMD Business School, Switzerland; Francisco Veloso, Dean, Católica Lisbon School of Business & Economics and, Adjunct Professor, Carnegie Mellon University; discussed how due to fast-paced



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people and business-to-business links would truly be ensuring 'national interests' rather than moving to 'closed economy' and autarky.

In a session on 'Life after Brexit: Repairing Globalisation', panelists Rajive Kaul, Chairman, Nicco Group;

technological advancements innovation has become a key driver for any business model. Sankalp Chaturvedi, Director, Gandhi Centre for Inclusive Innovation, Imperial College London, concluded the session.