



## Automation for Business Continuity and Growth Saturday, 27 June, 2020

### PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

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**1000 - 1100 hrs**

**Session 1**

#### **Enterprise Intelligence in the Post Covid World**

*While digitization has become customary in modern economy, still very few are stepping up to digitalize their businesses. Digitization has enhanced the speed, scale and efficiency of business processes but the gains remain limited so long as the business remains rooted in the physical realm only. The investment in digital capabilities has to aim higher and look for ways to deliver faster, cheaper, better solutions to customers' challenges. That requires reinventing business model and not just the processes. Going digital allows organizations to fundamentally change their offerings and even change the industry by redefining the market. Digitized businesses need to raise their game and go digital.*

**Speaker**

**TV Mohandas Pai**

Chairman, Manipal Global Education Services

**Interaction with Audience**

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**1100 – 1115 hrs**

**Break**

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**1115 – 1215 hrs**

**Session 2**

#### **Powering Business with AI**

*As everything and everyone gets digitized, the business case for the use of artificial intelligence grows. Repetitive, pattern-following tasks can be handed over to machines that can learn from data and trigger actions based on the set objectives. AI already powers common applications such as search and recommendations, biometric identification, buyer-seller matching, digital assistants, dynamic price setting, customer communication, risk assessment, document processing etc. AI has become the difference between the advanced and the laggards. The quicker the organizations quantify their processes and decisions to allow AI to get to work, the better their future would be in the digital economy.*

**Speaker**

**Umakant Soni**

Co-Founder, AI foundry and Advisor & Founding partner, pi Ventures \*

**Interaction with Audience**

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**1215 – 1230 hrs**

**Break**

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**1230 - 1330 hrs**

**Session 3**

**Reskilling Workforce for Automation**

*Lockdowns, health scare and labour flight have created a wave of business resilience measures. Robots and artificial intelligence are in great demand. But few organizations are ready for automation. Workers are the most critical enablers of automation and they must be reskilled to work alongside autonomous machines. Though fewer retrained workers may be needed for the same level of output, more upgraded workers will be required to grow the business. To build resilience, seed growth and adopt digital business models, enterprises need to invest in not just the new-fangled technologies but also in preparing the workers.*

**Speaker**

**Ganesh Natarajan**

Chairman, 5F World

**Interaction with Audience**

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**1330 – 1430 hrs**

**Break**

**1430 - 1530 hrs**

**Session 4**

**Innovation for the Post-Covid Era**

*We are at cross-roads as a country. Structure of the economy will matter more than the size. India needs to embrace a new innovation model for its future. This talk will explain why this is the case.*

**Speaker**

**Sharad Sharma**

Co-Founder, iSPIRT Foundation

**Interaction with Audience**

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**1530 – 1545 hrs**

**Break**

**1545 - 1645 hrs**

**Session 5**

**Robots to Rescue: Mechanizing Precision for Speed, Scale and Reliability**

*Robots have never been more popular. They are immune to corona virus and lockdown policies. They are immune to labour flight and customers' paranoia of contamination. Automated precision also offers greater speed, scale and reliability of output. Though not immune to error, numerate robots can minimize errors and enable continuous production for reliable volumes and schedule. Robots powered by sensors, data, internet-of-machines, AI and such technologies can act more sensitively and collaboratively. They can even be repurposed. Miniaturized robots also shrink the workspace and the products for greater utility and efficiency. As businesses try to reopen and recover, robots offer a hope against natural and manmade destabilization.*

**Speaker**

**Pulkit Gaur**

Founder & CTO, Gridbots Technologies

**Interaction with Audience**

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**1645 hrs**

**Programme Concludes**

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