

NOVEMBER 16-17

# INDIA & THE US

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The [Office of International Programs](#) is pleased to announce a two-day conference, "India and the US: Common Challenges and Opportunities," featuring the following events and participants. The conference is organized by the Office of International Programs India Working Group and is co-sponsored by the [College of Agriculture and Natural Resources](#), the [Center for International Business and Research \(CIBER\)](#), and the [School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation](#). Please register (free of charge) by e-mail to [fabian@umd.edu](mailto:fabian@umd.edu) with subject line "conference registration," or call 301.405.4772. **All events will take place in the auditorium and Kibel Gallery of the School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation at the University of Maryland.\***

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 (7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.)**

Welcome

**Dr. Mel Bernstein**, Vice-President for Research, University of Maryland

Keynote address

**Mr. Syamal. Gupta**, Chairman, Tata International

Musical Performance

**Samia Mahbub Ahmad**

catered reception

## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

### **Science, Technology, and Education (10:00 a.m.-noon)**

Plenary Speaker

**Dr. P. Venkat Rangan**, Vice Chancellor Amrita University, India; co-founder and former CEO, Yodlee Inc.

Presenters:

**Dr. John Becker**, US Dept. of State/AID

**Hon. Aneesh P. Chopra**, Secretary of Technology, Commonwealth of Virginia

**Mr. Bapu Deolalikar** former Executive Director NIMID-Bombay, India

**Dr. Peter L. Heydemann**, former Technology attache, US Embassy, India

### **Contemporary Social Challenges in a Globalizing World (1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.)**

Convener

**Dr. Smita Tewari Jassal**, American University

Presenters:

**Dr. Dipankar Gupta** Department of Sociology, Jawaharlal Nehru University; The Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars, *on* Social Stratification and Change

**Dr. Rajeshwari Sunder Rajan**, Global Distinguished Professor of English, NYU *on* The Indian Women's Movement

**Mr. Vivek Pandit**, Vidhayak Sansad, Thane, India *on* Challenges to activism in modern India

**Dr. Kaushik Basu**, Carl Marks Professor of International Studies and Professor of Economics and Director, Program *on* Comparative Economic Development, Cornell University *on* The Indian Economy

### **The Educational Landscape (3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.)**

**Dhiru A. Thadani**, AIA, Principal, and Director of town planning, Ayers/Saint/Gross Architects and Planners, Washington DC; former Chair, Design Task Force, Congress for the New Urbanism

**Roshni Thomas**, Chief Architect, Vedanta University, Orissa, India.

This conference is open to the public. For further information, contact [Joseph Scholten](#) Associate Director, OIP.

\* The School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation is building #145 on the [interactive campus map](#). It is located at the west traffic circle on Campus Drive, near the Adelphi Road entrance to campus. Entrance to the auditorium and Kibel Gallery is on the west side of the building, facing Mowatt Lane. Free parking is available at nearby surface lots 1b, 1c, 1d, JJ2, and U5. Parking at the Mowatt Lane Garage on Fridays costs \$2 per hour up to \$10 max., until 11:30 p.m. For further information, including directions to campus from MD, VA, and DC, click [here](#).

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