Global Economic Summit 2018

Global Value Chains: Accelerating MSME Growth, Development and Sustainability

Tentative Programme

Day 1: Thursday, February 22, 2018

Registration (8.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.)

Inaugural Session (10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.)

10.00 a.m. – 10. 30 a.m.

- Inauguration of Summit Exhibition
- > Inauguration of Summit Conference
- Lighting of the Lamp Ceremony and Felicitation of Honourable Guests

10.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

- Welcome Address
- Inaugural Address by Chief Guest: Global Value Chains: Enabler of Sustainable Trade
- Keynote Address
- Special Addresses

Mr. Christian Ewert, Director General, Foreign Trade Association

Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS)

Dr. Robert Koopman, Chief Economist and Director of the Economic Research and Statistics Division, World Trade Organization

Mr. Sebastian Saez, Lead Economist-Trade & Competitiveness, World Bank Group

- ➤ Release of GES 2018 Handbook
- Vote of Thanks

Networking Lunch (1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m.)

Session 1 (2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.)

- ➤ Panel Discussion: National and Multilateral Approaches to Foster GVCs
 - Policies and strategies shaping GVCs

- Regional Trade Agreements Key facilitator of GVCs
- Trade Facilitation Promoting GVC Growth
- Role of TPOs in strengthening GVC linkages

Dr. Siddhartha Roy, former Economic Advisor, Tata Group

Mr. Hugo Beteta, Subregional Director- South Asia, Corporate Public Policy, The Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA)

Mr. Nadim Ahmad, Head- Trade and Competitiveness Statistics Division, Statistics Directorate, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Dr. Abhijit Das, Professor & Head, Centre for WTO Studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)

B2B Meetings, Visit to Exhibition (4.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.)

Welcome Reception (7.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.)

Day 2: Friday, February 23, 2018

Session 2 (10.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.)

- ➤ Panel Discussion 1 (10.30 a.m 12.00 p.m.) Global Value Chains Building MSME competitiveness through value chain integration
 - Firm strategy aiding integration into value chains
 - Gaining access to finance, technology, R&D and skill
 - Infrastructure : key pillar of GVC growth
 - GVCs and job creation

Mr. Andrew Crosby, Managing Director, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)

Mr. Pankaj Mahajan, Director- Corporate Affairs, Cargill International SA

Ms Rupa Chanda, RBI Chair Professor in Economics, Indian Institute of Management Bangalore

➤ Panel Discussion 2 (12.00 p.m. – 1.00 p.m.) – GVCs: Adaptation of New Technologies

 Powering GVCs through IT applications, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and internet of things

Dr. M. Annadurai, Director, Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) Satellite Centre, Bangalore

Mr. Prabhakar Chaudhary, Managing Director, HAL Robotics Private Limited

Mr. Manoj Kothari, Vice President-International sourcing & technology support, Godrej Consumer Products Ltd. (GCPL)

Networking Lunch (1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m.)

Session 3 (2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.)

- Panel Discussion : Leveraging the power of GVCs Case study presentation
 - Agriculture
 - Manufacturing
 - Services (Retail, entertainment, tourism and medical tourism)

Dr. Pritam Banerjee, Senior Director- South Asia, Corporate Public Policy, Deutsche Post DHL Group

Valedictory Session (4.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.)

Visit to Exhibition (4.30. p.m. – 6.30 p.m.)

Cultural Programme and Gala Dinner (7.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.)

Day 3, Saturday, February 24, 2018

Field Visit