



# INDIA SUMMIT 2024

8-11 February 2024

Radisson Blu Temple Bay Mahabalipuram Chennai

Empowering Excellence: Unleashing the  
Potential of Partnerships and  
Collaboration in Indian Higher Education

## Program

Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Campus Tour and Student Interaction Fair at SRM University Pre-Registration Required via <a href="#">this link</a>	
09:00 – 17:00	Registration & Badge Collection @ Hotel Foyer
10:00 – 11:30	Transfer from Radisson Blu Hotel to SRM Campus
11:30 – 12:00	Tea Reception
12:00 – 13:30	Campus Tour of research facilities
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch Reception
14:30 – 16:30	Student Interaction Fair or Faculty Interaction Meet
16:30 – 18:00	Return Transfer to Radisson Blu

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Pre-Summit Event		
07:45 – 08:45	<b>Presidents' Breakfast Club @ Isle of Wind</b> <i>* by invite only</i>  This invitation only breakfast meeting will serve as a platform for dialogue between leading institutions, ministries in the region and QS leadership. The purpose is to increase visibility as thought leading partners and to delve into substantive conversations about the evolving landscape of higher education, explore pathways for progress and draw on insights from data.	
Pre-Summit Workshops		
08:30 – 19:00	Registration & Badge Collection @ Ballroom Foyer	
09:00 – 10:00	<i>Nautica</i>	<i>Main Ballroom</i>
	<b>Seminar</b> <b>Promotional institutional excellence using ratings</b>  We will be talking about how in an increasingly competitive and globalized world, ratings have become an essential tool for measuring and evaluating the quality and performance of various Educational institutions. Rating significantly contributes to elevating an institution's reputation and attracting stakeholders. Exploring how ratings have played a significant role in promoting institutional excellence. By leveraging the power of ratings, institutions can strive for continuous improvement and create an environment that fosters excellence in all aspects of their operations.  Facilitators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Pariniti Singh, Senior Research Analyst, QS I-GAUGE</li> <li>• Henna Mansuri, Institutional Support Specialist, QS</li> </ul>	<b>Seminar</b> <b>Ending energy poverty by 2030: Research that serves community</b>  This masterclass including researchers from the University of Canterbury (UC), India Institute of Technology Delhi along with New Zealand liquid hydrogen industry leaders Fabrum will explore how by harnessing new energy we can change the way society lives and end global energy poverty.  Organised by: University of Canterbury and IIT Delhi  Facilitators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brett Berquist, Assistant Vice-Chancellor Engagement, University of Canterbury, New Zealand</li> <li>• Prof Sanjay Mitra, School of Public Policy, IIT Delhi</li> <li>• Asst Prof Ankit Singhal, Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT Delhi</li> <li>• Prof Saurabh Sinha, Executive Dean of Engineering, University of Canterbury</li> <li>• Prof Clemency Montelle, Faculty of Engineering, University of Canterbury</li> <li>• Dr Paul Geraghty, Liquium Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder</li> </ul>



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10:00 – 11:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Nautica</i></p> <p><b>Seminar</b> <b>ASPIRE to Excellence: A Comprehensive Approach to University Reputation</b></p> <p>Importance of Reputation for Higher Education Institutions as a key tool for multiple objectives. Understanding the needs of the peer institutions pertaining to Reputation. How QS can help with Managing your Reputation with a framework called ASPIRE, a combination of our insights, processes, platforms and actionable inputs.</p> <p>Facilitator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeroen Prinsen, Executive Director (APAC), QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> <li>Rajesh Krishnaswamy, Regional Product Specialist, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Main Ballroom</i></p> <p><b>Workshop</b> <b>Resilience in Change Management</b></p> <p>Organised by: SRM Institute of Science and Technology</p> <p>Facilitators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prof C Muthamizhchelvan, Vice-Chancellor, SRM Institute of Science and Technology</li> <li>Dr Lakshmi Narasimhan (Mohan), Director International Relations, SRM Institute of Science and Technology</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break @ Expo Hall	
11:30 – 12:15	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Nautica</i></p> <p><b>Future of international student recruitment and global partnerships</b></p> <p>Outbound recruitment from India to English-language study destinations is at record levels. But what are students' expectations and how well are they being met? And are there alternative ways to address student demand through institutional partnerships? This workshop will explore what it takes to engineer long-term and sustainable teaching partnerships that provide students with real opportunities to experience multiple educational cultures and learning environments. Through a series of case studies provided by sectoral colleagues across various national boundaries, it will present examples of non-extractive, alternative partnership models that support two-way pedagogical development and challenges the parameters of what success looks like.</p> <p>Facilitators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr Helen Kelly, Principal Consultant, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> <li>Dr Edward Harcourt, Senior Vice President, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Main Ballroom</i></p> <p><b>Achieving excellence in higher education – global engagement strategy</b></p> <p>Global Engagement is about identifying and implementing opportunities for meaningful relationships and interactions around the world. Is internationalisation equivalent to global engagement? What innovative approaches are the institutions taking? What constitutes a successful global engagement strategy? Institutions must find innovative ways to prioritise, design and implement global engagement strategies. This workshop aims to explore how the landscape of higher education is shifting and understanding global engagement in today's context. Through a series of case studies and examples of good practices from the world's leading institutions, this session will explore and examine what it takes to formulate a successful global engagement strategy.</p> <p>Facilitators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ben Sowter, Senior Vice President, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> <li>Kuldeep Reddy, Senior Consultant, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> </ul>
12:15 – 13:15	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Nautica</i></p> <p><b>Workshop</b> <b>Getting to Yes: Managing University Stakeholders</b> Organised by: FLAME University</p> <p>A comprehensive workshop tailored for faculty, administrators, and department heads in the academic sector. Key focus areas include negotiation strategies, effective communication, conflict resolution, and strategic decision-making.</p> <p>Facilitator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prof Dishan Kamdar, Vice-Chancellor, FLAME University &amp; Author, <i>Cleansing Moments - Developing Leadership Skills for All Times</i></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Main Ballroom</i></p> <p><b>Workshop</b> <b>Intentional curriculum design, what it takes to deliver an interdisciplinary Masters programme</b> Organised by: University of Auckland</p> <p>This workshop invites colleagues to explore the role of education in bringing about the shifts that are necessary. We share a conceptual framework to support interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary curriculum design for educational experiences that respond to emergent areas. Our new Masters in Artificial Intelligence will provide a case study through which to illustrate the work in practice.</p>



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		<p>Facilitators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Gayle Morris, Director of Teaching and Learning, University of Auckland</li> <li>• Assoc Prof Paul Denny, School of Computer Science, University of Auckland</li> </ul>
13:15 – 14:15	Lunch Reception and networking @ Expo Hall	
14:15 – 15:30	<i>Nautica</i>	<i>Isle of Wind</i>
	<p>Special Interest Group  <b>“Expansion of Indian University campuses in the global south - opportunities and challenges”</b></p> <p>Chaired by: Prof Atul Khosla, Vice Chancellor, Shoolini University</p>	<p>14:15 – 15:45</p> <p><b>Presidents’ Roundtable</b>  <b>“Envisioning Sustainable Futures: Unravelling <a href="#">G20 New Delhi Leaders’ Declaration</a>”</b>  <b>* by invitation only</b></p>
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break @ Expo Hall	<p>The leadership roundtable aims to unite visionaries from around the world to exchange critical issues outlined in the <a href="#">G20 New Delhi Leaders’ Declaration</a>. The purpose is to explore actionable strategies for a brighter future by connecting leaders committed to sustainable development, innovation, and inclusive growth.</p> <p>Chaired by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof Rajita Kulkarni, President, Sri Sri University</li> <li>• Ambassador Dr Mohan Kumar, Dean, Strategic &amp; International Initiatives, O P Jindal Global University</li> </ul> <p>(90 mins)</p>
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Special Interest Group @ Nautica  <b>“Re-engineering the global collaboration with higher educational institutions for Twinning, Joint and Dual Degree Programmes”</b></p> <p>Chaired by: Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, Manipal Academy of Higher Education</p>	<b>Friendly Cricket Match</b> of University leaders @ Hotel Lawns near dining area
<b>Opening Ceremony - Main Ballroom</b>		
17:50 – 18:00	Arrival of Hon’ble Governor of Tamil Nadu	
18:00 – 18:03	National Anthem & Tamil Thaaai Vaazhthu (vocal singing)	
18:03 – 18:13	<b>Welcoming Remarks by organiser</b> Jessica Turner, CEO, QS Quacquarelli Symonds, UK	
18:13 – 18:23	<b>Welcoming Remarks by host</b> Dr P Sathyanarayanan, Pro-Chancellor, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, India	
18:23 – 18:33	<b>Summit Chair Remarks</b> Prof Raj Kumar, Founding Vice Chancellor, O P Jindal Global University, India	
18:33 – 18:43	<b>Setting the scene</b> Dr Ashwin Fernandes, Executive Director (AMESA), QS Quacquarelli Symonds	
18:43 – 18:58	<b>Presentation of Awards - QS Stars &amp; QS I-GAUGE Rated Institutions</b>	
18:58 – 19:18	<b>Presidential Keynote Address</b> <b>His Excellency Shri R. N. Ravi, Honourable Governor of Tamil Nadu</b>	
19:18 – 19:25	<b>Words of thanks</b> Mr Ravin Nair, COO, QS I-GAUGE, India	
19:25	<b>National Anthem (vocal singing)</b> Honourable Governor departs, Opening Ceremony Concludes	



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<b>Opening Reception</b>	
19:25 – 20:00	Opening Drinks Reception & Networking
20:00 – 20:10	Opening Cultural Dance Performance
20:10 – 20:25	<b>Fireside Chat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prof Achyuta Samanta, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha &amp; Founder, KIIT &amp; KISS University</li> <li>Jessica Turner, CEO, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li> </ul>
20:25 – 20:40	<b>Keynote Address</b> Dr V Kamakoti, Director, Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM) <i>“Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all”</i>
20:40 – 22:00	Dinner Reception & Networking

## Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024

<b>Side-event @ Summit</b>	
07:45 – 08:45	<b>USA-India Universities Bi-lateral breakfast meeting @ Isle of Wind</b> <i>* by invitation only</i>  Our invitation-only breakfast meeting serves as a nexus for leaders from the United States and India, facilitating open dialogue and strategic partnerships. The aim is to foster collaboration among distinguished institutions elevating our collective impact on a global scale.
<b>Summit @ Main Ballroom</b>	
09:00 – 09:05	<b>Address by Global Chair</b> Dr Nigel Healey, Vice President (Global and Community Engagement) at the University of Limerick, Ireland
09:05 – 09:10	<b>Address by QS India Summit Chair</b> Prof Raj Kumar, Founding Vice Chancellor, O P Jindal Global University, India
09:10 – 09:25	<b>Keynote Address</b> The Lord Kamlesh Patel OBE, House of Lords & Chairman of India Business Group, UK
09:25 – 09:40	<b>Keynote Address</b> Padma Shri Dr Dinesh Singh, Distinguished fellow of Hackspace at Imperial College London Former Vice Chancellor, University of Delhi
09:40 – 10:40	<b>Beyond Borders: The Evolution of International Universities in India</b>  The panel will examine the immense opportunities and learning associated with establishing international universities in India, the contributions they can bring to Indian education, and potential pathways for advancement and growth in the future.  Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prof Raj Kumar, Founding Vice Chancellor, O P Jindal Global University, India</li> </ul> Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr Roger Brindley, Vice Provost for Global Programs, The Pennsylvania State University, USA</li> <li>Prof Ramakrishnan Raman, Vice-Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed University), India</li> <li>Jugnu Roy, Director of Engagement – East Asia &amp; India, Education New Zealand, New Zealand</li> <li>Ravneet Pawha, Vice President (Global Engagement) and CEO (South Asia), Deakin University, Australia</li> <li>Prof Tony Travaglione, Pro Vice Chancellor (Global Strategy), University of Wollongong, Australia</li> </ul>
10:40 – 11:20	Coffee break & Networking



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11:20 – 12:20	<p><b>Bridging The Gap: Nurturing Industry-Academia Partnerships</b> Supported by University of Canterbury</p> <p>This panel will discuss the importance of fostering industry-academia partnerships for bolstering real-world impact and preparing students for evolving workforce requirements. It will also explore potential avenues for improving cooperation and encouraging the cross-pollination of ideas.</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Brett Berquist, Assistant Vice-Chancellor Engagement, University of Canterbury, New Zealand</li></ul> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prof Ian White, Vice-Chancellor and President, University of Bath, UK</li><li>Prof Saurabh Sinha, Executive Dean Engineering, University of Canterbury, New Zealand</li><li>Federico Ling, Asst Vice Chancellor for Global Enrollment Management, Northeastern University, USA</li><li>Dr Sekar Viswanathan, Vice President, VIT University, India</li><li>Jessica Turner, CEO, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li></ul>
12:20 – 13:20	<p><b>Innovating Interactions: Interdisciplinary Research &amp; Education Collaboration Best Practices</b> Supported by University of Auckland</p> <p>The panel will showcase best practices in enabling interdisciplinary education and collaborations in research. It will highlight successful models for institutions seeking to promote interdisciplinary approaches and discuss future trends in this area.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prof Dawn Freshwater, Vice Chancellor, University of Auckland</li></ul> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prof C Muthamizhchelvan, Vice-Chancellor, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, India</li><li>Prof Colin Bailey, President and Principal, Queen Mary University London, UK</li><li>Prof Melinda Fitzgerald, Interim Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research, Curtin University, Australia</li><li>Prof Koen Lamberts, Vice Chancellor &amp; President, The University of Sheffield, UK</li><li>Prof Stephen Flint, Associate Vice-President International, The University of Manchester, UK</li></ul>
13:20 – 14:30	Lunch Reception
14:30 – 14:50	<p><b>Fireside Chat</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dr Ashok Kumar Mittal, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha</li><li>Ben Sowter, Senior Vice President, QS Quacquarelli Symonds</li></ul>
14:50 – 15:50	<p><b>The Future of Learning: Micro Credentials and Skills</b></p> <p>This panel will evaluate how micro-credentials and focus on skills development are reshaping the modern educational landscape. It will delve into the importance of these credentials in a rapidly evolving job market and discuss their potential contribution to individual and societal advancement.</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prof Ghassan Aouad, Chancellor, Abu Dhabi University</li></ul> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prof Mark E Smith, Vice Chancellor, University of Southampton, UK</li><li>Dr Sandeep Sancheti, Vice President Research Relations and Academic Ambassador India, Elsevier India</li><li>Prof Dato' Dr Roslee Rajikan, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Strategy &amp; Corporate Development) Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Malaysia</li><li>Prof Madhusudhan, Govindaraju, Vice Provost for International Education and Global Affairs (IEGA), Binghamton University, USA</li><li>Esther Benjamin, CEO &amp; Executive Director, World Education Services</li></ul>
15:50 – 16:30	Coffee Break



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16:30 – 17:30	<p><b>Social Impact and Community Engagement</b> Supported by SRM Institute of Science and Technology, India</p> <p>This panel will highlight the role of partnerships in addressing societal challenges, promoting inclusive education, and fostering community engagement.</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Lakshmi Narasimhan (Mohan), Dean – International Relations, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, India</li></ul> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prof Claire O'Malley, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Global), Durham University, UK</li><li>• Prof Richard Reece, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Kent University, UK</li><li>• Prof Banchong Mahaisavariya, President, Mahidol University, Thailand</li><li>• Prof Sir Anton Muscatelli, Principal &amp; Vice Chancellor, University of Glasgow, UK</li><li>• Prof Dishan Kamdar, Vice-Chancellor, FLAME University, India</li></ul>
17:30 – 18:00	<p>Valedictory Session &amp; Closing Ministerial Address <b>H.E. Dr Subhas Sarkar, Union Minister of State for Education, Government of India</b></p>
19:30 – 21:30	<p>Closing Dinner Reception with musical performance @ Hotel Lawns</p>

## Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024

<b>Student Interaction Fair at IIT Madras</b> Pre-Registration Required via <a href="#">this link</a>	
13:00 – 15:00	Transfer from Radisson Blu to IIT Madras Campus
15:00 – 18:00	Student Interaction Fair at IIT Madras
18:00	Drop to Chennai International Airport
18:00 – 20:00	Return transfer to Radisson Blu Hotel