

Regional Seminar (Virtual) on The Roles & Challenges of the Audit Committee in Corporate Governance

Friday 19th February 2021 | 1530 -1830 hrs (IST) |

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Flow of Agenda:

Timing	Schedule
15:30 to 15:40	Welcome Address by: Mr. RG Rajan Board Member of National Governing Council & All India Honorary Director, IOD Former CMD, RCF/NFL/PDIL - Former Chairman FAI/SCOPE
15:40 to 16:05	Keynote Address: Mr. M D Ranganath President - Catamaran Ventures Independent Director - HDFC Bank Ltd & Former CFO - Infosys Ltd
16:05 to 16:20	Special Address: Ms. Rachael Johnson Head - Risk Management and Corporate Governance ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), UK
16:20 to 17:35	Session Topic- The Roles & Challenges of the Audit Committee in Corporate Governance <u>Moderator:</u> Mr. Arun Balakrishnan Former CMD, HPCL & Honorary Chairman - Institute of Directors, Bangalore Region. <u>Speakers:</u> Mr. Manoj Kumar Vijai Partner at B S R & Co. LLP Mr. Jyotin Mehta Chairman of the Audit Committee, Linde India Limited Independent Director in multiple Companies Mrs. Revathy Ashok Co-Founder Strategy Garage & Former MD, Tishman Speyer Independent Board Member in multiple companies Mr. Partha Bhattacharya Former Chairman, Coal India & Former MD, Haldia Petrochemicals
17:35 to 18:25	Open Session for QUESTIONS
18:25 to 18:30	Vote of Thanks Brig. Rajeev Kapoor (Retd.), Regional Director - IOD, Bangalore

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Opening/Welcome:

Mr. RG Rajan

Board Member of National Governing Council & All India Honorary Director of IOD
Former CMD, RCF/NFL/PDIL - Former Chairman FAI/SCOPE



He was Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of PDIL, a consultancy PSU and CMD of Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilisers (RCF) from Nov 2010 to June 2016. From April 2017 to May 2019 he was Chairman, Western Region, Institute of Directors.

From June 2017 to February 2019 he was a Director on the board of Poorti Agri services Pvt Ltd, an e marketing company, for sale of agri inputs by linking the farmers with the banks, agri input producers and their dealers.

From August 2019 he is All India Honorary Director of IOD and from March 2020 he is Board Member of National Governing Council of IOD, India.

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Keynote Address:

Mr. M D Ranganath

President - Catamaran Ventures

Independent Director - HDFC Bank Ltd & Former CFO - Infosys Ltd



Mr. Ranganath holds Post Graduate Diploma in Management from IIM-Ahmedabad, Master's Degree in Technology from IIT-Madras and a Bachelor's degree in Engineering from University of Mysore.

He has over 26 years of experience in the Global IT Services industry including as Chief Financial Officer of Infosys till November 2018. During his tenure at Infosys, he was an integral part of the growth and transformation of Infosys and effectively played leadership roles in a wide spectrum of areas with the Board of Infosys and its committees in formulating and executing its strategic priorities.

In the years 2017 and 2018, Mr. Ranganath was the recipient of the Best CFO Asia award in the technology sector, by Institutional Investor publication,.

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Special Address:

Ms. Rachael Johnson

Head - Risk Management and Corporate Governance, ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), UK



Rachael is Head of Risk Management and Corporate Governance for Professional Insights at ACCA. She has an authentic history of creating thought leadership content on a range of financial topics including global capital markets, risk management, responsible investing, sustainable finance, regulation, and corporate governance.

In her current role at ACCA, Rachael produces research, thought leadership and CPD content on risk and corporate governance for members and partners around the world. She also is the secretariat of ACCA's Global Forum for Governance, Risk and Performance, which advocates and provides comments for consultations.

She started her career as a financial journalist at *RISK* magazine and later moved to *Euromoney*, eventually becoming deputy editor of *AsiaMoney* in Hong Kong. As a freelance writer in London, where she is now based, she produced various types of editorial work for financial publications, trade bodies, banks, fintechs, and asset managers.

Rachael graduated from Indiana University in the US with a BA in Journalism & Communications, and minors in English; Environmental Biology; and Public & Environmental Affairs.

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Moderator : Mr. Arun Balakrishnan

Former CMD - HPCL & Founder Chairman - HPCL-Mittal Energy Ltd
Honorary Chairman - IOD, Bangalore



Mr. Arun Balakrishnan is the founder Chairman of HPCL-Mittal Energy Ltd. and is currently a member of the Board.

He was the CMD of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Currently Mr. Balakrishnan is on the Boards of a number of companies as Independent Director.

A Chemical Engineer with a Post Graduate Diploma from the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, he is the recipient of the "Distinguished Alumni Award 2008" from his alma-mater.

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Speaker : Mr. Manoj Kumar Vijai

Partner - B S R & Co. LLP



Manoj has over 27 years of experience in audit and assurance services, particularly in the financial services sectors.

He has significant experience of International reporting - US Listed, SEC registered Bank reporting under US GAAP/ IFRS including due diligence services in the financial services sector.

Prior to joining the firm he worked in a leading financial services company in Mumbai with specialisation in Investment banking. He completed his article ship training with Price Waterhouse, during which time he gained extensive exposure on a broad spectrum of financial service clients.

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Speaker : Mr. Jyotin Mehta

Chairman of the Audit Committee - Linde India Ltd

Independent Director in multiple Companies



Over 38 years in Finance, Secretarial and Quality / Excellence initiatives and Enterprise Risk Management & Internal Audit.

Board Member in few corporates including an Indian subsidiary of MNC and a Small Finance Bank.

Presently, he holds the position of Chairman of the Audit Committee, Linde India Limited & is an Independent Director in multiple companies.

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Speaker : Mrs. Revathy Ashok

Co-Founder Strategy Garage

Former Managing Director - Trishman Speyer

Independent Board Member in multiple companies



Revathy is a gold medalist in sectoral specialisation from the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, and is an Independent Member on Boards of several leading giants in the country.

She is also a start-up evangelist and has been a mentor and strategic advisor to several start-ups, an active Angel Investor with investments in over 18 start-ups. She is on the Board of Athena Infonomics, a public policy and development consulting firm that has global operations.

Recently she was Awarded the Distinguished Alumnus Award by her Alma mater IIMB for her work spanning the corporate world, entrepreneurship and philanthropic work

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Speaker : Mr. Partha Bhattacharya

Former Chairman - Coal India

Former Managing Director - Haldia Petrochemicals



Partha S Bhattacharyya, was Chairman of Coal India from 2006 till Feb 2011. He steered CIL from a Mini Ratna in 2007, Navratna in 2008 and finally Maharatna in 2011 - a unique feat in the career of any PSU CMD.

In 2010, Mr Bhattacharyya spearheaded the Initial Public Offer (IPO) of 10% of CIL's equity which became a landmark event in the country. The IPO was one of the top three in the World in that year and is still the largest in India so far.

He has authored WHEN COAL TURNED GOLD, published by Penguin in Aug 2018. The book was chosen as the Editors Pick among business books in 2018.

Mr Bhattacharyya is currently on the Board of several reputed companies like Haldia Petrochemicals and others.

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