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# CHANGING NATURE OF INNOVATION

MAY 26 - 29, 2021 • LIVE ZOOM CONFERENCE

Ahmedabad University and the Centre for Technology, Innovation and Economic Research are pleased to invite you to the conference themed "Changing Nature of Innovation".

With innovation being the key to improving quality of life, global competitiveness and sustained economic growth, and public policy having a direct impact on innovation systems, the conference brings together scholars working across the following four broad themes to identify crucial challenges and future research avenues that would need to be explored across these themes.

Date	Time	Theme	Speakers	Commentator
26.05.2021	6:00 p.m - 6:15 p.m IST	Welcome Opening remarks Tour of the sessions	Pankaj Chandra Naushad Forbes Janak Nabar	
26.05.2021	6:15 p.m - 8:15 p.m IST	Macro Perspectives	Ashish Arora Nicholas A. Bloom	Rakesh Basant
27.05.2021	6:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m IST	Healthcare	Chirantan Chatterjee Mihkel Tombak	Naushad Forbes
28.05.2021	6:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m IST	Environment	Santosh Kumar Sahu Abhishek Malhotra	Ambuj Sagar
29.05.2021	6:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m IST	Manufacturing	Nanditha Mathew Janak Nabar	Pankaj Chandra

This virtual conference is intended for scholars in India working on innovation as well as scholars working on innovation more broadly with implications for India and other emerging countries. Each presentation slot would be up to 30 minutes. After each presentation there would be a Q/A session for about 15 minutes. The session commentator will conclude the session with his comments.





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## DAY 1

# MACRO PERSPECTIVES



The Changing Structure  
of American Innovation:  
Some Cautionary  
Remarks for Economic  
Growth

**Ashish Arora**  
The Fuqua School of Business,  
Duke University



The Impact of  
Disruptive  
Technologies

**Nicholas A. Bloom**  
Department of Economics  
Stanford University



Commentator:

**Rakesh Basant**  
Indian Institute of  
Management Ahmedabad

Wednesday

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## DAY 2

## HEALTHCARE



The Future of IPRs &  
Bio-Pharmaceutical  
Innovation from the  
Global South

**Chirantan Chatterjee**  
Indian Institute of  
Management Ahmedabad



The Changing Nature of  
Innovation in  
Healthcare: Speeding  
the process from Theory  
to Jabs in Arm

**Mihkel Tombak**  
Department of Management  
University of Toronto  
Mississauga



Commentator:

**Naushad Forbes**  
CTIER and Forbes Marshall

Thursday

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## DAY 3

## ENVIRONMENT



**Santosh Kumar Sahu**  
Department of Humanities  
and Social Sciences  
Indian Institute of  
Technology Madras



Navigating trade-offs in  
India's low-carbon  
development strategy

**Abhishek Malhotra**  
School of Public Policy  
Indian Institute of Technology  
Delhi



Commentator:

**Ambuj Sagar**  
School of Public Policy  
Indian Institute of Technology  
Delhi

Friday

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**DAY 4**

## MANUFACTURING



What a firm produces matters: Processes of diversification among Indian firms

**Nanditha Mathew**  
United Nations University  
MERIT



Innovation in Indian Manufacturing

**Janak Nabar**  
Centre for Technology,  
Innovation and Economic  
Research



Commentator:

**Pankaj Chandra**  
Ahmedabad University

Saturday

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## Speaker Affiliations:

■ Aakash Kalyani	Boston University
■ Abhishek Malhotra	School of Public Policy, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
■ Ambuj Sagar	School of Public Policy, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
■ Ashish Arora	The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
■ Chirantan Chatterjee	Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad
■ Janak Nabar	Centre for Technology, Innovation and Economic Research (CTIER)
■ Mihkel Tombak	Department of Management, University of Toronto Mississauga
■ Nanditha Mathew	United Nations University - MERIT
■ Naushad Forbes	CTIER, Forbes Marshall
■ Nicholas A. Bloom	Department of Economics, Stanford University
■ Pankaj Chandra	The Amrut Mody School of Management, Ahmedabad University
■ Rakesh Basant	Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad
■ Santosh Kumar Sahu	Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Madras

## Conference Chairs:

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| ■ Rakesh Basant | ■ Pankaj Chandra | ■ Naushad Forbes |
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## About Ahmedabad University

Ahmedabad University is a research university with a focus on building inquiry as a value through interdisciplinary learning. The University promotes an environment where students, working professionals, researchers and scholars explore resolution of complex problems with the faculty through a hands-on approach rooted in data and discourse. Often, this learning process is mediated by projects, field work and a belief that good theory leads to good practice.

Ahmedabad University, located in India's first UNESCO World Heritage City, offers programmes across its four schools and five centres at bachelors, masters, and doctoral levels. Established in 2009 by the Ahmedabad Education Society, an 86 years old foundation, the University comprises eminent founders, a congregation of inspiring leaders, engaging scholars, industry experts and a talented pool of highly motivated faculty members.

## About CTIER

The Centre for Technology, Innovation and Economic Research (CTIER) is working to raise the level of debate and awareness amongst policy makers, industry and researchers in India about the essential role of technical capability in economic development, and how it is best fostered. The Centre is committed to improving the quality of India's R&D and innovation data, assessing the impact of policy measures introduced to promote R&D and identify ways to create systemic change in India's R&D and innovation system. CTIER aims to inform policy on the back of high quality empirical economic research, as well as impact higher education in India.







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