

Biogovernance and Science Diplomacy: The Way Forward

18-19 August 2023

Tamarind Hall, India Habitat Centre,
Lodhi Road, New Delhi

Agenda

Day 1: Friday, 18 August 2023	
9.00 - 9.30 am (IST)	Registration
9:30–10:10am (IST)	<p>Inaugural Session</p> <p>Welcome Address: Dr Krishna Ravi Srinivas, Consultant, RIS</p> <p>Keynote Address: Dr Renu Swarup, Former Secretary, Department of Biotechnology *</p> <p>Vote of Thanks: Professor Joy Zhang, Director, GSEJ, University of Kent</p>
10:10 to 12.30	<p>Session 1: India's Scientific Vision: Past, Present and the Future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Madhav Govind, Center for Studies in Science Policy, SSP, JNU • Professor Joy Y. Zhang, Director, GSEJ, University of Kent • <i>Comfort break</i> • Professor Maneesha Inamdar, Director, Institute for Stem Cell Science and Regenerative Medicine • Mr Deep Narayan, Science and Innovation Officer, UK Science and Innovation Network, British High Commission New Delhi • Discussion, Q&A
12:25-13:30pm IST)	Lunch & Networking

13:30-16:20pm IST)	Session 2: Science diplomacy and emerging trends in India-UK scientific relations
13:30-14:10pm(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ruth Cooper (Senior Policy Adviser, International Affairs, Royal Society in London) and Mr Nadim Khan (Policy Adviser for South Asia, International Affairs, Royal Society in London (online)
14:10-14:50pm(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr S. K. Varshney, Head International Co-operation Division , Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi*
14:50-15:00pm IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comfort break
15:00-15:40pm IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr N. K. Mehra, Vice President, International Affairs Indian National Science Academy, INSA, New Delhi
15:40-16:20pm(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Mark Smales, School of Biosciences & GSEJ, University of Kent (online)
	Day 1 summary and setting the agenda for Day 2 (Dr Ravi and Professor Joy)
Day 2: Saturday, 19 August 2023	
09:00-09:05am(IST)	Welcome and Recap: Dr Ravi Srinivas and Dr Joy Zhang
9:05-11:55 am(IST)	Session 3: Dialogues on the Future Role of India in Global Science
9:05-9:35 am(IST)	<i>Funding Strategies</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Katja Lasch, Director DAAD Regional Office New Delhi / DWIH New Delhi
9:35-9:55 am(IST)	Q&A and Discussion
9.55-10:05 am(IST)	<i>Comfort Break</i>
10:05-10:20am(IST)	<i>Bioethics and Political Soft Power</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Michael Barr, Department of Politics, Newcastle University
10:20-10:35am(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Roli Mathur, Head Bioethics Unit, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), New Delhi
10:35-10:55am(IST)	Q&A and discussion
10:55-11:05am(IST)	<i>Comfort break</i>
11:05-11:20am(IST)	<i>Biosecurity and Future Global collaboration on Contentious Issues</i>
11:20-11:35am(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Pawan Dhar, Head, Synthetic Biology Group, Professor, School of Biotechnology, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
11:35-11:55am(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Suryesh K Namdeo, Former Consultant, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, Member, Indian National Young Academy of Sciences
	Q&A and discussion
11:55- 13:30	Lunch

13:30-15:05pm(IST)	Session 4: Identifying roadmap for future collaboration
13:30-14:10pm(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Krishna Ravi Srinivas, RIS
14:10-14:50pm(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Rose Trappes & Professor Sabina Leonelli (University of Exeter) (online)
14:50-15:05pm(IST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Trude Sundberg (GSEJ, University of Kent) (recording)
15:05-15:20pm(IST)	Comfort break
15:20-16:00pm(IST)	Convergence and Way Forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS <p>Vote of Thanks: Dr Krishna Ravi Srinivas, RIS</p>