

The 2nd India-Central Europe Business Forum in Bengaluru from October 5, 2015

Forum website and logo launched

NEW DELHI, April 8, 2015. The 2nd India-Central Europe Business Forum will be kicked off in Bengaluru on October 5, 2015 with a view to enhancing trade and investment cooperation between India and CE economies, identifying areas of opportunity for investments in CE by Indian companies and in India by CE companies and offer business opportunities between Indian and CE industry, through structured B2B meetings.

The Forum, being organised by the Ministry of external Affairs, Government of India and FICCI, will focus on key sectors such as Agri & Food Processing, IT & ITES, Manufacturing and High Technology, Pharmaceuticals & Life Sciences, Renewable Energy & Clean Technologies, Tourism and Urban Infrastructure, including transportation.

The preparations under way for the two-day event were unveiled by Mr. Rahul Chhabra, Joint Secretary (Central Europe), Ministry of External Affairs, which also saw the launch of the Forum logo and website, www.icebf.in.

At the inaugural session on October 5, the Forum will witness a discussion on 'India and Central Europe: Collectively working to develop trade and economic ties based on key economic competencies of each other'. The speakers would be ministers from India and Central Europe, Chief Minister of the host state, Karnataka and Dr. Jyotsna Suri, President, FICCI.

Following the Partner Country session, sectoral sessions are slated to be held on developing business synergies between India and Central European economies in IT & ITES; infusing renewed impetus on collaboration in pharmaceutical & life sciences; 'Lets Make in India' collaboration in excellence in manufacturing and high technology area; promoting cooperation in providing innovative solutions in the field of clean technologies and renewable energy; developing smart cities and urban infrastructure; collaborating to unveil the potential of tourism and hospitality sector between India & Central Europe.

On day II, October 6, 2015, post the Partner State session, the event will deliberate on cooperation in agri and food processing. The Valedictory Session will have as speakers, Governor of Karnataka, Minister of State for External Affairs, Central Europe Minister/dignitary, the Secretary General, FICCI and a senior MEA official. This will be followed by structured B2B meetings between Indian and Central Europe business persons.

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