WOMEN-LED DEVELOPMENT
LEVERAGING WOMEN’S UNTAPPED POTENTIAL TO ACCELERATE INCLUSIVE & SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

2ND WOMEN 20 (W20) INTERNATIONAL MEETING

13TH–14TH APRIL 2023
THE LALIT, JAIPUR
INTRODUCTION

The Women 20 (W20) is the official G20 engagement group, created in 2015 under Turkey’s Presidency of G20, with the objective of focusing on gender equity. The primary objective of W20 is women's empowerment and advocating for the rights of women, raising women's voices in society. It was founded on the idea that domestic initiatives needed to be incorporated into an international strategy to see any appreciable changes because progress toward gender equality had been too slow and peripheral. Additionally, it aims to ensure that the G20 Leaders’ Declaration includes commitments and measures that support gender equality and women's economic empowerment. Under India's Presidency, W20 intends to build upon the tremendous efforts and progress made by Turkey, China, Germany, Argentina, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Italy and Indonesia under their Presidency.

W20 India is committed towards the vision of our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi of ensuring that “India’s G20 Presidency is inclusive, ambitious, decisive, and action-oriented.” W20 India is committed to its vision “to create a world of equality & equity where every woman lives with dignity”. It is dedicated to its mission of “removing all barriers to women-led development and ensuring an enabling environment and ecosystem for women to thrive, transcend and transform their lives as well as others.” W20 India has adopted a 4C strategy to advance its agenda: Collaborate, Cooperate, Communicate and build consensus, and Call to Action to achieve its mission and goals. India’s W20 agenda focuses on five key priorities: Women Entrepreneurship Grassroots Women Leadership Bridging the Gender Digital Divide Education and Skill Development Climate Change.

- Women Entrepreneurship
- Grassroots Women Leadership
- Bridging the Gender Digital Divide
- Education and Skill Development
- Climate Change

These priority areas align with India’s G20 Presidency priorities and are intended to address the obstacles faced by women that are relevant to all G20 nations and call for action to advance gender equality, secure the sustainability of global societies, and build more gender-inclusive policies.

In the past 4 months, W20 has partnered with more than 19 organisations and organised more than 50 outreach programmes for women and adolescent girls across India, engaging with thousands of citizens as well as policymakers to promote good governance and increased stakeholder participation in policy formulation and decision making.
W20 will work with its stakeholders, which includes grassroots level rural and urban women, G20 delegates of G20 nations, policymakers, and other engagement groups as well as organisations from the G20 countries to develop policy recommendations that are submitted directly to the G20 leaders for consideration. It promises to play a crucial role in economically empowering women across the world by reducing the gender pay gap and undertaking efforts to make the patriarchal society more equitable.

Dr Sandhya Purecha leads the W20 engagement group as Chair along with eminent women as India delegates/participants- Dr Jyoti Kiran Shukla, Prof Shamika Ravi, Ms Bharati Ghosh, Ms Raveena Tandon, Ms Bansuri Swaraj and Ms Dharitri Patnaik, the Chief Coordinator of the W20 Secretariat.
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**Opening Remarks**: Dr Saurabh Garg, IAS, CEO, UIDAI

**Moderator**: Ms Tamara B. Dancheva, Senior International Relations Manager, GSMA and W20 EU Delegate

**Panelists:**
- Ms Eunsong Kim, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Specialist, UNESCO
- Shri Jaspreet Singh, Regional Technical Specialist- Digital Finance and Innovation, UNCDF
- Ms Suma Ronanki Chander, Principal, Head of digital transformation, PKF O Conner Davis, USA
- Ms Bansuri Swaraj, Supreme Court Advocate

### Lunch Break

### Session 3: Setting of our Goals and targets for a sustainable future

**Opening Remarks** by Ms Raveena Tandon, Actor & Philanthropist, W20 Delegate

**Moderator**: Prof Narnia Bohler-Muller, divisional executive of the HSRC’s Developmental, Capable and Ethical State division and Advocate, W20 HoD, South Africa
### Panelists:
- Ms Tess Mateo, Senior Advisor to AQAL Capital and the United Nations on Gender and Climate; and Managing Director of CX Catalysts, W20 USA Delegate
- Ms Kanika Pal, South Asia Sustainability Director, Unilever
- Ms Tatiana Der Avedissian, Co-President of the Harvard Kennedy School Women's Network & Head of Business Development of the World Ocean Initiative at The Economist, UK
- Smt. Hari Priya Mohanty, Grassroots Eco change maker and Smt. Arpita Pattnaik, Executive Director, Humara Bachpan Trust

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Dr. Sandhya Purecha, Chair W20

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Hadriani Uli Silalahi, Chair W20 Indonesia 2022

Ms Hadriani Uli Silalahi is a practitioner in women empowerment with more than 25 years of experience. As the Vice President of Kowani, she is able to reach 87 million Indonesian women with financial, digital, and self-improvement programs. Just last year, 1000 Women MSMEs joined the Kowani Fair Online with a digital capacity-building agenda in collaboration with Indonesia’s leading e-commerce. She is also passionate about increasing Indonesian literacy by bringing millions of affordable books since 2016 through Big Bad Wolf.

Prof. Shamika Ravi, Member of the Economic Advisory Council of Prime Minister of India

Member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister, Government of India, W20 Delegate Prof. Shamika Ravi is an economist with a keen interest in development challenges in India. Her research focuses on health, education, financial inclusion, gender inequality, and urbanisation. Ms Ravi was the former Member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister of India. She holds a PhD degree in Economics from New York University and is also visiting professor at two of India’s leading Universities where she teaches courses in Managerial Economics (Game Theory) and Microfinance.
Sri Indevar Pandey, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India

Sri Indevar Pandey IAS (West Bengal 1988) is presently serving as the Secretary of the Ministry of Women and Child Development upon the retirement of Shri Ram Mohan Mishra IAS (AM 1987). He was previously the Secretary, of the Departments of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, and Pensions and Pensioners Welfare.

Shri Amitabh Kant, Sherpa G20

Amitabh Kant is a member of the Indian Administrative Service, IAS. He is presently the G20 Sherpa of India during its Presidency year. He was CEO of NITI Aayog (National Institution for Transforming India)- the Govt of India’s premier policy Think Tank & prior to that Secretary, the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion. He is the author of “Branding India – An Incredible Story”, Incredible India 2.0 and has edited The Path Ahead “Transformative Ideas for India” and has been a key driver of “Make in India”, Startup India, “Incredible India” and “God’s Own Country” initiatives which positioned and branded India and Kerala State as leading manufacturing tourism destinations. These campaigns have won several international awards and embraced a host of activities – infrastructure development, product enhancement, private-public partnership, and positioning and branding. He has worked as Secretary, Tourism, in Kerala, Joint Secretary of, Tourism, Govt of India, District Collector, in Kozhikode & CEO, of the Delhi- Mumbai Industrial Corridor.

Ms Usha Sharma, IAS, Chief Secretary Government of Rajasthan

Ms Sharma, a 1985-batch IAS officer, has been on the Central deputation in New Delhi since 2012. She was the Secretary of the Sports and Youth Affairs Ministry, and she earlier served as the Additional Director General of Tourism and Director General of the Archaeological Survey of India.
Ms. Bansuri Swaraj, Advocate, Supreme Court of India

Ms Bansuri Swaraj was enrolled with the Bar Council of Delhi in the year 2007, and since, has sixteen years of experience in the legal profession. After her undergraduate studies at the University of Warwick with a B.A. (Hons) in English Literature, Ms Swaraj went on to read Law at the prestigious BPP Law School in London. She qualified as a Barrister at Law and was called to the bar from the Hon’ble Inn of Inner Temple, London. Thereafter, she completed her Master of Studies at St. Catherine’s College at the University of Oxford. Ms Swaraj is a formidable arguing counsel, having represented several high-profile clients in contentious litigation across various judicial fora. Her professional portfolio has an eclectic mix of dealing with disputes involving contracts, real estate, tax, international commercial arbitrations, as well as several criminal trials. Ms Swaraj has been appointed as the Additional Advocate General for the State of Haryana, in conjunction with running her private practice.

Smt. Dharitri Patnaik, Chief Coordinator, W20 Secretariat

Ms Dharitri Patnaik has more than twenty-seven years of experience working to empower some of the most vulnerable sections of society, including women, children, and underprivileged people of India. Dharitri has worked on a variety of issues and across various sectors in the areas of international development, poverty alleviation, social reform, and women & child development – both from a policy and advocacy perspective as well as developing and managing on-the-ground operational initiatives. In 2014 she founded Humara Bachpan Trust (an international Award winning organisation) - which works with people living in poverty. In March 2017 she launched an initiative called SAMBHAVI- Women’s Empowerment with Enterprise and Employability. Since its initiation, more than 50,000 women working in the informal sector have been trained in life skills. Dharitri is also the Chairperson of Diversified Energy Solutions Pvt Ltd & Jivada Ventures Pvt Ltd. Dharitri has a Master's in Social work from Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, and a Master in Public Administration from Harvard University, USA.
SESSION I
WOMEN’S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT: BUILDING THE CARE ECONOMY ECOSYSTEM

Thursday 13th April | 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

BACKGROUND

Constituting one-half of the world’s population, women still only contribute 37% to global GDP. The average further falls down in developing and under-developed countries, creating a cause of concern for the global community. This has been due to the stereotypical challenges faced by women creating barriers and hindrances to their economic integration. W20 was established in 2015 to address these challenges, foster gender equality and mainstream gender considerations into policy discussions. W20 under India’s presidency is focused on reimagining women as the core architects of our society and developing an enabling ecosystem for women to thrive, transcend and transform their lives. India under its presidency aims on developing an inclusive framework encouraging women’s participation in the Global economy and incorporate gender analysis into investing and promoting practices that support women in their endeavours of achieving financial independence.

Session Objectives

1. Developing an enabling ecosystem allowing an equitable platform for women to thrive.
2. Engendering pathways for women to realize income-generating opportunities and attain self-reliance by promoting women's empowerment.
3. Discuss and deliberate policy solutions to further advance women's participation within entrepreneurship and the global economy allowing for women-led development.

INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS

Ms Shreya Guha, IAS, Ministry of WCD, Government of Rajasthan

Ms Shreya Guha who is serving as an Indian Administrative Service Officer (batch 1994) holds the post of Principal Secretary, Cooperation Department, Rajasthan, and Principal Secretary and Commissioner, of the Science and Technology Department, Rajasthan. Before this, she held the post of Principal Secretary, of the Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department. Ms Guha was also elected as the director of the National Federation of State Cooperative Banks (NAFSCB) which is the national forum that looks after the top cooperative banks in the country.
MODERATOR

Hyun Hee Ban, Chief, Social Policy, UNICEF

Hyun Hee Ban is the Chief of Social Policy at UNICEF India. Being a humanitarian and development professional, she has worked in various international organisations including headquarters, regional offices and field offices in South Korea, the USA, South Sudan and many other countries. Her specialisations include social policies covering social protection, public financial management and local governance. She also has immense experience in project management, M&E and Results Based Management (RBM).

PANELISTS

Madhu Krishna, Deputy Director, Gates Foundation

Madhu Krishna is the lead of India’s initiative on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to promote gender equity. Along with managing large portfolios, she looks after the foundation’s work functioning with various community structures like self-help groups, farmer producer organisations, etc. that cover approximately 40 million women and more than a million farmers.

She has tremendous experience in diverse fields that focus on technical solutions, public policy, strategic communications, community engagement, and large-scale implementation of proven interventions. She has been a development professional for over 25 years specialising in program design, evaluation, policy, and advocacy for a variety of initiatives including sanitation, public health (vaccines, maternal and child health, communicable diseases), agriculture/poverty and livelihood, and women's empowerment.

She has also worked at PATH India where she led the introduction of a new vaccine and safe injection devices contributing to India’s immunisation drive. She is always passionate about ensuring gender equity in every sphere of life where she is involved and commits herself to reviving human dignity for the disadvantaged and underserved segment of the population.
Dr Erin Watson, Managing Director of Baker & York and HoD of W20 Australia

Dr Erin Watson is the founder and Managing Director of Baker & York which provides strategic consultancy in public policy and international relations to various clients from startups to big tech firms listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

She is also the board director of the Council on Australia and Latin America Relations at DFAT, and the founder of the Australia Latam Emerging Leaders Dialogue. She has also given consultations to UN ESCAP and the UNCDF.

Being an experienced broadcaster and commentator, she is currently a Contributor at Sky News Australia and over the past six years, she has been featuring on ABC (Australia) prime-time shows including Q&A and the Drum, CNN News 18 (India), and ITV NewsX (India).

Due to her keen engrossment in writing, she has published many policy reports and guidebooks, with her publication on the digital economy across the APAC region being the most recent one. She has also represented Australia in six G20 meetings including Turkey, China, Argentina, Japan, Saudi Arabia and Italy.

Vishishta Sam, National Project Coordinator, Care Economy, International Labour Organization

Vishishta Sam is a development sector professional with expertise in policy analysis, programme design and research. She has a keen interest in issues linked to gender and labour rights, specifically women engaged in informal work. She is currently leading a project at ILO India on Care Economy in the context of COVID-19 recovery.
Ms. Anne Simmons-Benton, Principal, Deep Water Points and Associates; W20 USA Co-HoD

Ms Anne Simmons- Benton is a trade attorney and has 30 years of experience in various domains like international development and commerce, strategic management, business development, etc.

She is the principal of Deep Water Point and Associates. Ms Simmons-Benton is the Co-head of the US delegate to the W20. As her quality of being a strategic thinker, she has led the USG priorities and the World Trade Organisation's Integrated Framework which focused on the least developed countries, the Stability Pact in Balkans and the Central American Free Trade Agreement discussions. While working with the World Trade Organization and United States Agency for International Development, she assisted the Presidential Initiative on Trade Capacity Building. Ms Simmons-Benton has made a significant contribution in elevating the national industries varying from the software sector to financial services to energy. She has worked as an advisor for national governments, development agencies and various international trade organizations.

Cheryl Miller Van Dÿck, Founding Director of the Digital Leadership Institute, European Union, W20 European Union

Cheryl Miller is a recognised leader in grassroots action and global advocacy to close the gender digital divide and promote women’s economic empowerment. Cheryl is the founder of Digital Leadership Institute, a Brussels-based international NGO recognized by the UN for its global leadership. Cheryl received the coveted “GLOMO” Global Mobile Industry Leader Award for her work promoting digital equity and women-led entrepreneurship around the world. In a 30-year career, Cheryl has held progressive leadership roles across Europe, the US, Japan, and Russia, in global trade, the automotive sector, ICT, and innovation and technology policy. She is currently serving as Education Chair for Women20 India, and Digital Chair for the G20/W20 Women Entrepreneurship Act initiative.
SESSION II
CHARTING A PATH OF EQUITY & EQUALITY THROUGH BRIDGING THE GENDER DIGITAL DIVIDE AND TRANSFORMATION

Thursday 13th April | 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM

BACKGROUND

Equality is not just a fundamental right but also a human right. It is also a hallmark of a modern and thriving economy. Even though technology is perceived to have the potential to promote gender equality, it creates a counterproductive situation for the gender digital divide where females have less access to technology than males. The digital divide can be explained as the inequalities between the digital “haves” and “have-nots” in terms of access to and use of the internet and the ICTs. The gender digital divide specifically refers to the global phenomenon of women and girls’ access and use of ICTs being less than that of men and boys. For example, women are twenty per cent less likely than men to own a smartphone, and those they possess are less likely to support mobile internet use and more likely to have simpler features. NFHS data indicates that a higher percentage of urban women own mobile phones than rural women. All these disparities in ICT use risk limiting the ability of girls and women to take advantage of the opportunities offered by digital technologies and to be full political, social, and economic actors in the digital society.

Session Objectives

To bring about a targeted and effective action plan to create a well-founded track for diminishing the gender digital divide and enabling women and girls to access digital technologies all over the country.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr Saurabh Garg, IAS, CEO, Unique Identification Authority of India

Dr Saurabh Garg is the present CEO of UIDAI, he is also an IAS officer of the 1991 Odisha cadre where he contributed to digitalizing agriculture and formulating a direct income transfer scheme for the farmers. He has also worked in the Ministry of Finance, GoI, where he accelerated the formation of the national investment and infrastructure fund, worked on improving foreign direct investment, and aided in putting together the initial framework for digital payments. Dr Garg has a PhD from John Hopkins University, U.S.A., and is a gold medalist MBA from IIM Ahmedabad with a B.Tech from IIT, New Delhi. He was also a Gurukul Chevening Fellow at the London School of Economics and Political Science.
MODERATOR

Ms Tamara B. Dancheva, Senior International Relations Manager, GSMA

Ms Tamara is the senior international relations manager at the GSMA and is dedicated to working for digital gender equality. In the past decade, she has worked in multiple global organisations with a major focus on gender equality, human rights, and international management.

She leads the GSMA's collaboration with the UN Women and the EQUALS global partnership for gender equality in the digital age. She is also a member of the EU delegation to the W20 engagement group, G20. She was previously the head of the human rights program for liberal international and gained immense experience in political party systems and democracy.

She holds a Bachelor's Degree in International Business from Rockhurst University and a Master's Degree in Politics and Government from the London School of Economics.

PANELISTS

Ms Eunsong Kim, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Specialist UNESCO

Ms Eunsong Kim is the program specialist and chief of the sector for social and human sciences at UNESCO. She has immense experience in managing projects that aim to achieve gender equality in and through education.

She also led the UNESCO-UNFPA-UN women's joint program on empowering adolescent girls and young women through the provision of comprehensive sexuality education and a safe learning environment in Nepal.

She completed her bachelor's from Korea University in international studies and public administration in 2011 and went on to do a master's in comparative social policy at the University of Oxford.
Shri Jaspreet Singh, Regional Technical Specialist- Digital Finance and Innovation, UNCDF

Mr. Singh is the global leader of financial health and innovations at UNCDF. He has been devoted to financing and innovations to drive the financial health and well-being agenda globally. He successfully established the financial innovation lab at UNCDF, where innovative solutions and business models are scaled across Asia and Africa. He has also worked as an advisor in digital and inclusive finance to organisations like the World Bank, UN, IFC, and many leading global consulting firms ranging from banks, telcos, and tech companies across Asia, Africa, and the Pacific. He completed his MBA in finance and marketing from the Motilal Nehru Institute of Technology in 2005.

Ms Suma Ronanki Chander, Principal & Lead–Digital Transformation, PKF O'Connor Davis, USA

As the current principal and leader of the Digital Transformation Services Advisory at PKF O'Connor Davies, Suma Chander is an experienced leader in digital transformation. Prior to her current role, she held multiple "C-Suite" leadership positions at hedge funds, where she led technology and operations teams.

She has also advised social organizations on technology-driven solutions within the social enterprise sector, where she led public and private partnership decisions, fundraising, grant acquisition, and infrastructure projects proposing digital solutions to drive innovation and profitability.

With expertise in product management, software development, technology architecture, and product implementation, Suma is a visionary leader recognized for her innovative strategies and technical oversight using the latest platforms. She has successfully managed technology efficiency and controls for various organizations and delivered large-scale implementations.
Ms Bansuri Swaraj, Advocate, Supreme Court of India

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SETTING OF OUR GOALS AND TARGETS FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE
Thursday 13th April | 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

BACKGROUND

The issue of climate change has been one of the major concerns in recent years and has posed a serious existential threat to society and the planet as a whole due to its impact and complete association with the environment, oceans, landscape, food safety, energy, society, and the economy. It has also been known and recognised that climate change affects different sections of society very differently and women specifically very disproportionately, as they are considered to be more vulnerable to its effects due to existing problems in terms of general socio-economic inequality. For example, extreme weather conditions caused by climate change can directly lead to a decrease in cognitive abilities, an increase in low birth weight and maternal hypertensive diseases. UNDP estimates that 80% of the women’s population will be affected directly and disproportionately, hurting directly the achievements of social and gender equity achieved in recent history. W20’s one of the major goals is to provide an efficient, feminist and green answer to the problem.

Session Objectives

To call upon members of the G20 to bring an efficient and feminist approach to tackling climate change and fulfilling its need in relation to green financing, clean energy and social equality.

OPENING REMARKS

Raveena Tandon, Actor & Philanthropist W20 Delegate

Ms Raveena Tandon has portrayed impactful and memorable characters in her career spanning over three decades. The talented actress won numerous prestigious awards like National Film Award for Best Actress, Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Award, Femina Beauty Awards etc. in her all-around career trajectory. She has been tirelessly working for the girl child, with various organisations, like UNICEF, Cry, White Ribbon Alliance for safe motherhood, Spina Bifida Association and Smile Foundation.
She single-handedly housed 30 girls in her own house and built an orphanage in Vasai. Against all norms and taboos, she became a pioneer when she adopted 2 girls as a single mom at the age of 21. She has also received an award from the Women and Child Ministry of India for her work for women's empowerment.

She was also the youngest chairperson for CFSI and was a part of the advisory panel of Cintaa. Prime Minister Modi has praised the actress for her organ donation work. Her Rudra Foundation is doing immense work for children, women & animal welfare.

During Covid times when Oxygen was a scarcity, her foundation tied up with DCP South to ensure 300 oxygen cylinders reached needy people. Acknowledging her passion for wildlife, she has recently been announced as The Wildlife Goodwill Ambassador of Maharashtra. She was recently conferred with PadmaShree.

MODERATOR

Prof Narnia Bohler–Muller, divisional executive of the HSRC’s Developmental, Capable and Ethical State division and Advocate, W20 HoD, South Africa

Professor Narnia Bohler-Muller is a divisional executive in the HSRC’s Developmental, Capable and Ethical State research division. She specialises in participatory democracy and social justice as well as gender equality and the fulfilment of socioeconomic rights.

She has led numerous large projects for the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development, the Department of Monitoring, Planning and Evaluation in the Presidency, the European Union Commission in South Africa, and the UK Commonwealth and Foreign Office.

Ms Bohler is currently a research associate with the Centre for Gender and Africa Studies and has officially represented South Africa at various international forums.
PANELISTS

Tess Mateo, Senior Advisor to AQAL Capital and the United Nations on Gender and Climate; and Managing Director of CX Catalysts, W20 USA Delegate

Tess Mateo is the leading United States’ delegation to W20 India this year. After graduating from the Columbia Business School, Tess has previously worked as a Director of Consulting Services at one of the biggest financial consulting firms PwC. Tess has also served in the Office of the Global CEO of PricewaterhouseCoopers, being a strategic advisor to the JUCCCE (Joint US-China Collaboration on Clean Energy). Tess is also a prestigious member of the New York chapter of the International Federation of Business and Professional Women. She has also been a special advisor to the Gender & Women branch in the United Nations at New York. She started her own start-up CX Catalysts which is a collaboration accelerator, that develops and manages innovative programs helping companies reach profitable untouched markets while collaborating with governments and multilateral institutions to achieve their environmental and development goals. Tess Mateo is a staunch advocate for the “green economy” where she focuses on the promotion of areas like clean water & energy, sustainable food, waste management infrastructure and health.

Ms Kanika Pal, South Asia Sustainability Director, Unilever

An award-winning CSR and sustainability professional with 18 years of experience, presently heading sustainability at Unilever South Asia. She holds a master's degree in CSR from Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand and an advanced management in public policy from Indian School of Business. A TEDx speaker, she quit the corporate sector from 2015–17 and founded Solutions for Clean and Healthy Environment or SoCHE Foundation, to influence behaviour change for a cleaner planet. She has deep passion for understanding the inter-connectedness between conserving the environment, enhancing livelihoods and improving the health of people and thereby enabling the creation of sustainable communities and businesses. Awarded ‘Global Women in Leadership Award 2022’, ‘Asia’s Top Sustainability Superwomen 2020’, she is also the recipient of ‘Most Influential Sustainability Leader’ and ‘Wommenovator’ citations in 2018, among others.
She is a LEAD Fellow and an alumnus of South Asia Leaders programme by Common Purpose, UK. She has been a working group member with World Economic Forum and has contributed to the recently published report on Unlocking Social Economy, released at Davos in 2022.

**Tatiana Der Avedissian, Head of Business Development of the World Ocean Initiative at The Economist, UK & Co-President of the HKSWN**

Tatiana Der Avedissian is the Head of Business Development of the World Ocean Initiative at The Economist, UK & Co-President of the HKSWN. Tatiana’s experiences and expertise include being a communications specialist & commercial development manager. She has previously worked for the Guardian and the Spectator being a Partnership Manager. Tatiana is a leading UK expert on support strategy and fundraising development for two charities in the UK, serving as trustee and vice-president for Alkionides UK, and trustee and advisor of the Armenian Institute. She is a member of the board of advisors for the Shirley Chisholm Education Foundation, fundraising chair of the Harvard W3D (women in development, defence and development) network and co-programming chair of HKS Women’s Network. She’s also a guest teacher of ethics and politics for women working in the private and public sectors in Ecuador.

**Smt. Hari Priya Mohanty, Grassroots Eco change maker**

Smt. Mohanty is a grassroots leader changing and transforming lives of thousands of women in rural Odisha.

**Smt. Arpita Pattnaik, Executive Director, Humara Bachpan Trust**

Ms Arpita Pattnaik is the Executive Director, Humara Bachpan Trust which is a non-profit organization which works towards providing a safe and healthy lifestyle with improved socio-economic conditions. She has experience working in various national and international organizations. She takes active participation in the W20 events and works towards the upliftment of disabled women and children.
PLENARY SESSION

GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Friday 14th April | 9:30 AM to 10:15 AM

BACKGROUND

This plenary will provide us with valuable insights on how we can support women entrepreneurs and promote grassroots leadership. Grassroots movements have been significant throughout history for their effort, ideology, and consistency. Realizing its importance, W20 India is working upon the vision of “Women-Led Development” initiated by our honorable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi which aims to institute women at the forefront of our society and establish a framework to reshape them as the core architects of our society rather than limiting them to the sidelines where they are marginalized from the mainstream opportunities and the decision-making process. As women constitute one third of entrepreneurs, it becomes crucial to discuss and promote women led entrepreneurship. In order to achieve Sustainable Development Goals, W20 aims to identify challenges and pathways to ensure equal participation by women at grassroots level.

Session Objectives

1. Identify challenges and pathways to ensuring equal participation by girls and women in political and public leadership at the grassroots level, in order to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.
2. Review the state of play regarding women entrepreneurs around the world.
3. Share best practices to increase the number of women entrepreneurs.
4. Discuss policy recommendations to promote women-led entrepreneurship.

WELCOME REMARKS

Dr Sandhya Purecha, Chair W20

Dr Sandhya Purecha, Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardee is a renowned Performing Academician, Bharatanatyam Guru, Performing Artist, Innovator- Choreographer, Prolific Writer, and an Avowed Scholar. She is the Founder- Principal of the pioneering Bharata College of Fine Arts & Culture and Artistic Director of KalaParichay, Mumbai. She has authored seven research-based books on dance. She has toured nationally and internationally with her pioneering research-based productions on diverse themes and texts.
An authority on classical dance and Sanskrit, she is affiliated with several universities offering her expertise as an Expert Advisor on the Academic Council and Board of Studies. She is the recipient of several coveted National awards. At present Dr Purecha is the Chairperson for Sangeet Natak Akademi & Chair of W20 India.

PANELISTS

Ms. Evira Marasco, W20 Italy

Since 2018, Ms. Marasco is an Italian Delegate of the G20 Engagement Group Women 20 (W20). As a delegate, she attended the Buenos Aires and Tokyo Summits; since 2014 she is the Head of International Relations of SOLYMED Events and Representative for Italy of the Group Empresarial PALCO of Cuba (Cuba Fair Authority). From 2005 to 2020, she served as Consultant to the National President of AIDDA (Association of Women Business Managers Company) with the task of managing external and institutional relations; from 2009 to 2011 she was the Head of External Relations of AIWA (Arab Italian Women Association). Since 2014, she has a regular column in the online magazine Futuro Europa.

Ms Bharati Ghosh, Former Indian Police Service, former UN and grassroots political leader, India, W20 Delegate & Chair, Task Force on Grassroots Leadership

Ms Bharati is Ex IPS, Ex Vice President, BJP West Bengal. Presently National Spokesperson of BJP & Member of National Executive Committee of BJP. She served the International Community under the auspices of the United Nations as a Commander of the Multi Brigade Force in Kosovo and also as Commander of Kosovo police. She has worked in almost all major continents as Policy and Planning Advisor in different UN missions. Ms Bharati holds a degree in International Marketing & Psycho-Analytic theory from Harvard University, USA. She is also an Alumni of the London School of Economics & Political Science and has received numerous Appreciation letters from the United Nations Mission. She has also been honoured with the Chief Minister’s Medal for Commendable Service.
Virginia Little John, Founder, Quantum Leaps, Co-HoD of W20 USA

Being an advocate for women’s entrepreneurship, Virginia Littlejohn is the co-founder and President of Quantum Leaps. She held many prominent positions in her professional journey which involves being the President of the National Association of Women Business Owners (1984-1985), Vice President for Les Femmes Chefs d'Entreprises Mondiales (FCEM, the World Association of Women Entrepreneurs), Senior Advisor for Women's Entrepreneurship for the OECD in Paris (1996-2006), the Jury President for North America for the Cartier Women's Business Initiative Awards, Lead Strategist for the International Trade Centre's Women & Trade Programme (2010 –2018) and has worked with numerous big firms. She is also working with ITC to catalyse Gender Responsive Public Procurement in 2023. She is also launching a new initiative called Women Entrepreneurs Act (WE Act) to enable change. She has served on SME advisory boards for American Express, IBM and Walmart. Her specialisation includes artificial intelligence, digital transformation, global value chains, and the future of work in an era of constant innovation and disruption. Currently, she is identifying gaps in the women’s entrepreneurial ecosystem to significantly boost the growth of women's enterprises worldwide and help drive national, regional, and global reforms that affect GDP and gender parity.

Smt. Darshana Jardosh, Minister of State for Railways & Textiles, Government of India

Mrs. Darshana Jardosh is currently the Minister of State of Railways and Textiles. She was born on 21st January, 1961 in Surat, the Lok Sabha constituency that she represents for a third consecutive term since 2009. She has the distinction of winning the constituency by the highest vote share of 75.79% with a margin of 5,33,190 votes in the 16th Lok Sabha elections in 2014. Mrs Jardosh completed her school education from Jeevan Bharti School at Surat and went on to study Bachelors of Commerce with specialization in Economics & Banking from Sir K.P. College of Commerce at Surat. Mrs Jardosh has an avid interest in social and cultural activities. She has a 'Visharad' in music and accomplished Bharatnatyam Arangetram. She also serves as the Founder President of the Ladies Lioness Club of Sannari in Surat and as Director of 'Sanskruiti', a prominent organization devoted to promotion of art and culture.
VOTE OF THANKS

Smt. Dharitri Patnaik, Chief Coordinator, W20 Secretariat

Ms Dharitri Patnaik has more than twenty-seven years of experience working to empower some of the most vulnerable sections of society, including women, children, and underprivileged people of India. Dharitri has worked on a variety of issues and across various sectors in the areas of international development, poverty alleviation, social reform, and women & child development – both from a policy and advocacy perspective as well as developing and managing on-the-ground operational initiatives.

In 2014 she founded Humara Bachpan Trust (an international Award winning organisation) - which works with people living in poverty. In March 2017 she launched an initiative called SAMBHAVI- Women’s Empowerment with Enterprise and Employability. Since its initiation, more than 50,000 women working in the informal sector have been trained in life skills. Dharitri is also the Chairperson of Diversified Energy Solutions Pvt Ltd & Jivada Ventures Pvt Ltd. Dharitri has a Master’s in Social work from Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, and a Master in Public Administration from Harvard University, USA.
EXCURSION PLAN FOR W20 ON 14TH APRIL 2023

Amer Port
Amer Fort or Amber is one of the famous and interesting forts of Rajasthan. It has made up of red and yellow sandstone. The passages of the Fort are Maze-Like and the stairs are serpentine which is a masterpiece of Indian History.

Nahargarh Fort
Nahargarh Fort stands on the edge of the Aravalli Hills, overlooking the city of Jaipur in the Indian state of Rajasthan. Along with Amer Fort and Jaigarh Fort, Nahargarh once formed a strong defence ring for the city.

EXCURSION PLAN FOR W20 ON 15TH APRIL 2023

City Palace Museum
The magnificent City Palace in Jaipur is one of the most famous tourist attractions located in the old part of the city.

Built by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh during the years 1729 to 1732, the museum showcases various unique handcrafted products and other things that belong to the royal heritage of the City Palace.
**Jantar Mantar**

Jantar Mantar is one of the oldest astronomical observatories featuring the world’s largest stone sundial, located in the heart of Jaipur. The collection of nineteen astronomical instruments in Jantar Mantar allows the observation of astronomical positions with the naked eye.

**Albert Museum**

The Albert Hall Museum in Jaipur is the oldest museum of the state and functions as the state museum of Rajasthan, India. The building is situated in Ram Niwas garden outside the city wall opposite New gate and is a fine example of Indo-Saracenic architecture.

**Hawa Mahal**

Hawa Mahal, also known as the “Palace of Breeze”, was built in 1799 as an extension to the Royal City Palace of Jaipur. It allows the royal ladies who at the time strictly observed “pardah”, to be able to watch any processions and activities on the street without being seen by the public.