

Two-day workshop The Board Director's Program

- Organized by NIDHI Center of Excellence at Venture Center -

Coverage & Potential gains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn how to be an effective board member and discharge duties Insights and perspectives of experienced board members
Organized by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIDHI-Center of Excellence @ Venture Center LegaLogic Consulting
Supported by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Venture Center, Pune (www.venturecenter.co.in) DST-NSTEDB
For whom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current board members and founders of Startups & MSMEs Anyone serving as independent or nominee director on the board of a company Incubation managers and other startup mentors Investors & potential nominee board members
When	Friday– Saturday, 7-8 May 2021 Time: 10:00 am – 1:00pm (6 teaching hours)
Where	This Event will be Online Link to the Event will be shared with the selected participants a day prior to the event.
Contact	Technical queries: Soma Chattopadhyay managerincubator@venturecenter.co.in +91- 9172232211 Registration related: Lipika Biswas-Venture Center lipika@venturecenter.co.in
Registration and Cost	<p>Registration Process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Step 1: Interested participants need to fill the registration form by 26th April 21 at the following link. Register online at: https://tinyurl.com/april21-program Step 2: Email invites with payment details will be sent post screening of registration details by 28th April 21. Step 4: Complete payment of registration fees by the participants by 1st May 21 Step 3: Seats will be confirmed only against full payment of registration fees by 4th May 21. <p>The event is open for all but the organizers reserve the right to accept or refuse or delay registrations so as to optimize the composition of the group and hence maximize learning for all participants.</p> <p>Registration fees: Rs 2000 per participant</p> <p>10 scholarships are available.</p> <p>Need-cum-merit scholarship : 100% discount (supported by DST-NSTEDB)</p> <p>Scholarships available only for Venture Center's early stage startups and investee companies.</p>



Introduction

What does it take to succeed as a company director??

Board of Directors plays a vital part in meeting key business objectives of a company that presents unique responsibilities, dynamics, risks, and opportunities and also calls for a distinctive set of skills. So the Board of Directors too require training and development in order to update themselves and take the best decisions and be most effective for the company.

This program is meant to empower and equip the Board of directors with skills and attitudes required to perform their challenging tasks and play their role in a transparent, objective and ethical manner as per the best corporate governance practices.

The program is also intended for early stage companies to learn about the considerations to keep in view while appointing a director.

Key takeaways from the event:

- Best practices for the directors and maximize your contribution as a board director
- Role and responsibility of a director
- Dos and don'ts for participating in the board meeting
- Liability and statutory codes of conduct
- Conflict resolution at the board of directors
- Considerations for appointing a director

Workshop Outline

Program shall consists of:

- Talks
- Q&A sessions
- Quiz

Terms and Conditions for Participants

- Participants shall arrange their own devices (preferably Laptop/ Tablet) and ensure the good internet connectivity during the online course.
- Attendance is mandatory for all sessions once registration is confirmed.
- Participation certificates will be issued to participants only if they attend the quiz session
- No sessions will be repeated if a participant is unable to join due to poor internet connectivity or any other reasons.

Workshop Outline

Day 1: 07 May 2021, Friday			
Time	Duration	Session title	Workshop mentor
09:45-10:00	15 min	Session 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome & Introduction • Overview of the course 	Vivek Sadhale/ Premnath V
10:00-11:20	80 min	Session 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selecting a director & running effective board meetings 	Vivek Sadhale
11:20-11:30	10 min	Break	
11:30-13:00	90 min	Session 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiduciary role of a director & how to discharge your duties well 	Vivek Sadhale

Day 2: 08 May 2021, Saturday			
Time	Duration	Session title	Workshop mentor
10:00-11:00	60 min	Session 4: Insights from experienced Directors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The perspective of founders and management team 	Panel discussion Speakers: Pradeep Bhargava Moderator: TBD
11:00-12:00	60 min	Session 5: Insights from experienced Directors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perspectives of independent directors and investors 	Speakers: P R Ganapathy Moderator: TBD
12:00-12:10	10 min	Break	
12:10-13:00	50 min	Session 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case studies • Question & answers • Quiz • Closure & summary 	Vivek Sadhale

Workshop Director



Vivek Sadhale
Founder Partner, LegaLogic Law Firm

Vivek brings over 24 years of extensive experience with an expertise spread over numerous fields including international technology and commercial contracts, successful IPO, top tier venture capital investment and private equity funding, M&A/takeovers, joint venture agreements, managing Investor Relations, having worked with reputed Indian and Multinational organizations, with exposure to Finance and Treasury functions.

Vivek has extensively worked on negotiating international commercial contracts, negotiating IP Licensing deals, dealing with IPR-related issues, employment law, designing Employee Stock Option negotiating foreign currency loans, M&A, PE and VC deals, Restructuring matters and establishing domestic/overseas offices and companies. Vivek worked with Persistent Systems Ltd. for thirteen and half years as Company Secretary and Head – Legal and Investor Relations. He also has working experience with Kirloskar Group, Bombay Dyeing and Siemens.

Speakers (alphabetical order of last name)



Pradeep Bhargava
Independent Director at Persistent Systems

Mr. Bhargava holds a Bachelor's degree in Science (Honors) from Rajasthan University, Jaipur; B.E. in Electronics and Communication from the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru and MBA from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. Pradeep has long experience in both state and private enterprises in fields ranging from consumer, industrial and energy sectors. He has worked with the Atomic Energy Commission, BHEL, Bharat Forge Group and General Electric before joining Cummins in 2000. He steered the power generation business of Cummins in India. He is on the Board of several companies including Cummins India, Torrent Pharmaceuticals and Rajkumar Forge. He has been active on industry forums and was Chairman (Western Region) of the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII). He is also a Trustee of Persistent Foundation formed by Persistent Systems.



PR Ganapathy
Regional Director (India) at Stanford Seed, an initiative of Stanford University's Graduate School of Business to help entrepreneurs in developing countries.

Prior to Stanford Seed, Ganapathy spent seven years at Villgro Innovations Foundation, holding the position of President (India) at the time of his departure. During his time, he helped Villgro significantly grow its operations, add and refine programs, attract senior management talent and add new donors. He was also the co-founder of the Menterra Social Impact Fund, an early-stage, small-ticket investment fund that invests in social entrepreneurs in the health, agriculture and education sectors. Ganapathy also co-founded Haqdarshak, a social enterprise that uses mobile technology and a network of trained field level operatives to help needy citizens discover, apply for and benefit from government and private schemes.

He is actively involved in building the social enterprise ecosystem as a member of Executive Committee of ANDE and other committees. Ganapathy is a regular guest speaker at many events on social entrepreneurship and he designed and taught a course on social entrepreneurship at the Indian School of Development Management.

Prior to Villgro, Ganapathy was the Managing Director and Chief Executive of DSNL Ltd., a pioneer in the teleconferencing / enterprise collaboration space, he also co-founded Gridstone Research in August 2005, and served as the Chief Executive Officer until 2010.

Before founding Gridstone, Ganapathy spent 7 years at Infosys Technologies. Prior to Infosys, Ganapathy was a member of the Tata Administrative Service, a cadre of select managers for the Tata Group, India's largest business conglomerate.

Ganapathy has an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad, and an Honors degree in Mathematics from Hindu College.



Premnath V

Director, Venture Center | Head, NCL Innovations | Head, IP Group, NCL

Premnath V is currently the Head, National Chemical Laboratory (NCL) Innovations - the group within NCL charged with the responsibility of championing the cause of technology innovation within NCL. Dr Premnath is also the Founding Director of the Venture Center - a technology business incubator on NCL campus. Dr Premnath is also a Scientist, Polymer Science & Engineering Division at NCL with an interest in technology development for biomedical products. He holds a B.Tech. from the Indian Institute of Technology - Bombay and a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA. He has also been a Chevening Technology Enterprise Fellow with the Centre for Scientific Enterprises, London Business School and Cambridge University, UK. He brings with him considerable experience in technology development and commercialization (two successfully commercialized families of products), working with start-up companies (in Cambridge-UK and India) and engaging with large corporations on research and consulting projects as project leader.

More information at: www.premnath.org



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