

Invest Karnataka 2025 - Agenda

Date	Time	Venue	Type of session	Topic	Speaker 1	Speaker 2	Speaker 3	Speaker 4	Speaker 5	Speaker 6	Speaker 7	Moderator
11-Feb	4pm onwards	Plenary		Inaugural Ceremony								
12-Feb	10:35 - 11:05	Hall A	Fireside chat	AI, cybersecurity and government: building digital resilience in an uncertain world	Ann Dunkin, Former Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Energy							Simon Long, editor-at-large, The Economist
12-Feb	10:30 - 11:45	Hall E	Panel discussion	Chips on the Table: India's turn to lead the semiconductor revolution	Hitesh Garg (Vice President & India Managing Director, NXP Semiconductors)	Jitendra Chaddah (MD & India Country Head and VP of GFES (Global Fab Engineering Services))	Santhosh Kumar (President and Managing Director, Texas Instruments India)	Vrinda Kapoor (CEO, 3rdiTech & Bharat Semi Systems Private Limited)				Rangesh Raghavan (Corporate Vice President and General Manager Lam Research India)
12-Feb	10:30 - 11:00	Hall C	Country Session	Bahrain: Gateway to the Gulf	Dharmi Magdani (Regional Director of Bahrain Development Board- India)	Bhagwan Thaker (Vice Chairman of Commercial Market Committee at Bahrain Chamber of Commerce)						
12-Feb	11:05 - 12:00	Hall B	Panel discussion	SUSTAINABLE MANUFACTURING - DRIVING GROWTH IN THE GLOBAL GREEN ECONOMY	Daisy Chittilapilly, president, Cisco India and SAARC	Shalini Goyal Bhalla, managing director, International Council for Circular Economy (ICCE)	Burjis Godrej, executive director, Godrej Agrovet	Rami Ahola, Partner and Global Industry leader, Industrial manufacturing, IBM Consulting				Simon Long, editor-at-large, The Economist
12-Feb	11:00 - 12:00	Hall D	Panel discussion	Reimagining Investment for Growth: 5 areas to help achieve Karnataka Vision 2030 in 5 years	Vidya Annapragada, Managing Director, Vital Capital Environment	Venkat Raju, CEO, Turbostart Global	Mohit Kochar, Chief Marketing Officer, KPIT Technologies	Dr. h.c. Nik Gugger (President- Swiss India Parliamentary Group & Member of Parliament - Switzerland)				Matthew Stephenson, Head, Investment and Services, World Economic Forum

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12-Feb	11:00 - 12:30	Hall C	Country Session	MALAYSIA: THIS IS WHERE GLOBAL STARTS	H.E. Dato' Muzafar Shah Mustafa, High Commissioner of Malaysia to the Republic of India	Shamilah Perumal, Minister (Economic Affairs), High Commission of Malaysia	Suresh Nair General Manager- India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh & Nepal AirAsia Group	Wan Ahmad Tarmizi Wan Idris Trade Commissioner Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE), Chennai Promotion Corporation	Shazri Hidayat Abd Shukor Director Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA), Mumbai			
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12-Feb	11:05 - 12:00	Hall A	Fireside chat	The New India Playbook: Entrepreneurship, and the Digital Revolution	Shekhar Gupta (Editor-in-Chief, The Print)	Prashanth Prakash (founding partner, Accel Partners)						
12-Feb	12:00 - 13:00	Hall A	Fireside chat	Resilient Pathways: Charting India's Economic Growth Amid Global Challenges	Montek Singh Ahluwalia (Indian Economist, Former Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission of India)							Salman Soz (Economist and author)

12-Feb	12:05- 13:00	Hall B	Panel discussion	Driving change: The future of mobility in a rapidly urbanizing world	Rob Boyd (Head - Global sustainability policy and partnerships, Boeing),	Aravind Mani (Co-founder & CEO, River Mobility)	Karthik Ganesan, fellow and director - strategic partnerships, Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW)	Santosh Iyer, MD, Mercedes-Benz India	Mahesh Babu, CEO, Switch Mobility			Michelle Hennessy, graphic detail editor, The Economist
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12-Feb	12:00 - 13:00	Hall E	Country Session	UK & Karnataka: Partners in Economic Growth	Murali Subrahmanyam (MD& Group Head-Data Analytics Operations, LSEG)	Jayakumar Doshi (MD & CIO, BT)	Andrew Cole (MD, Micronclean)	James Glavey (COO, TESCO)	Chandru Iyer, British Deputy High Commissioner to Karnataka & Kerala			
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12-Feb	12:10 - 12:55	Hall F	VentuRISE	Mastering Disruption & Understanding New Age Business Models	Ganesh Krishnan (Serial Entrepreneur, Promoter: Big Basket, Homelane, Portea Medical, Bluestone)							Madan Padaki (Social Entrepreneur, President TiE Bangalore)
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12-Feb	14:00 - 15:00	Hall A	Fireside chat	Innovating the Future	Akis Evangelidis (Co-founder & Head-Marketing, Nothing)							Shiv Aroor - Indian Journalist and writer
12-Feb	14:00 - 15:15	Hall D	Ted-style talks	Make in India for the world	Chaitanya Sarawate (South Asia head, GE Healthcare)	Aravind Melligeri (Chairman & CEO, Aequs)	N Venu (MD & CEO - India and South Asia, Hitachi Energy)	Guruprasad Mudlapur, President of Bosch Group India	Sudeep Dalvi (Senior Vice President, Director & Chief Communication Officer - Toyota Kirloskar Motor)			
12-Feb	14:00 - 15:30	Hall C	Country Session	Future expansion of R&D function for Japanese manufacturing companies	H.E. Mr. Keiichi Ono (Ambassador of Japan to India, Embassy of Japan in India)	Manish Bhasin (Head of India Product Innovation and R&D Center, Pioneer)	Toru Tsuruta (COO, Fujitsu Research of India)	Kingshuk Banerjee (Director and Head of R&D Center, Hitachi India)	Satoshi Uchida (Director, Marketing Support Department - SMRJ Japan)	Toshihiro Mizutani (Director General, JETRO Bengaluru)	Mana Ono (Senior Director, JETRO Bengaluru)	
12-Feb	14:10 - 14:55	Hall F	VentuRISE	Corporate partnerships & innovation strategies	Swapnesh Maru, Deputy Managing Director, Toyota	Vishakha Bhagat, Lead CampX Hub India						Smita Malipatil, Managing Director, Startup Genome
12-Feb	15:00 - 16:15	Hall E	Panel discussion	Beyond urban	Thomas Muthoot John (Executive Director, Muthoot Microfin)	Mythily Ramesh (Co-founder & CEO, NextWealth Entrepreneurs Pvt. Ltd.)						Lakshmi Pratury, Founder & CEO - INKtalks
12-Feb	15:00 - 15:45	Hall F	VentuRISE	Real-world insights from successful entrepreneurs	Vidit Aatrey, Founder, Meesho	Ankit Fatehpuria, Co-Founder, Zetwerk						Vishal Krishna, Founder, UpStreamLife Media
12-Feb	15:50 - 16:35	Hall F	VentuRISE	Understanding investment dynamics and Current market opportunities	Murali Krishna Gunturu, Co-Founder, Inflexor Ventures	Arjun Rao, Partner, Speciale Invest						
12-Feb	16:15 - 17:30	Hall D	Panel discussion	Advancing Renewable Energy: Pathways to a Sustainable and Resilient World	Kishor Nair, Chief Executive Officer, Avaada Group	Chintan Shah (Group President, ReNew)	Sashi Kant Mishra (Associate Director - Business Development, Ampin Energy Transition Private Ltd.)					Dr. Varun Jyothiprakash Senior Program Manager WRI India

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12-Feb	16:00 - 17:00	Hall C	Panel discussion	SME Connect - Industry 4.0	K-Tech CoE IoT & AI powered by MeitY and NASSCOM							
12-Feb	15:15 - 16:30	Hall B	Panel discussion	The Future of Skilling: Driving Academia, Industry and Government Collaboration	Joan Concannon, Director for External Relations, University of York	Avinash Avula, President Applied Materials India & VP Semiconductor Products Group Asia	Day Veerlapati, President and CEO S2Tech					Joerg Hildebrandt (MD & Sr. Partner, BCG)
12-Feb	16:30 - 17:30	Hall A	Panel discussion	Leading the Charge: Young Innovators Shaping India's Future	Parth Jindal (MD, JSW Cement)	Jay Kotak (Co-head, Kotak811)	Suzannah Muthoot (Executive Director, Muthoot Housing Finance Company)				Nikhil Kamath (Co-founder, Zerodha, True Beacon, and Gruhas)	
12-Feb	16:40 - 16:50	Hall F	VenturISE	The Next Giant Leap: India's Role in Shaping the Future of Deep Tech	Aravind Melligeri, Chairman & CEO, Aequs							
12-Feb	18:00 PM onwards	Plenary		Invest Karnataka Awards								
13-Feb	10:30 - 11:45	Hall D	Panel discussion	The Next Mile: Innovations Shaping the Future of Logistics	Martin Lundstedt (President, AB Volvo & CEO, Volvo Group)	Sandeep Deshmukh (Co-founder & CEO, ElasticRun)	Chanakya Hridaya (Co-Founder & Chief Operating Officer, Blackbuck)				T. M. Veeraraghav (Executive Editor, NDTV)	
13-Feb	10:30 - 11:45	Hall E	Panel discussion	Global Capability Centres: Growth engine driving the next wave of economic growth and innovation								
13-Feb	11:05 - 11:45	Hall A	Fireside chat	Pioneering the AI frontier: from moonshots to real-world impact	Sebastian Thrun, founder, Google X						Michelle Hennessy, graphic detail editor, The Economist	

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13-Feb	11:45 - 13:00	Hall D	Panel discussion	From Heritage to Haute Couture	Anavila Misra, Pioneering Fashion Designer	Aigana Gali, Renowned Fashion and Design Expert						Sangita Devi Kathiwada, Serial Culture and Design Entrepreneur
13-Feb	11:45 - 13:00	Hall E	Panel discussion	India at the Core: Shaping the Future of Global A&D Sourcing	Michel Narchi (Head of Int. Ops, Airbus)	Jean-Noel Mahieu (EVP Operations, Safran, Electronics and Defence)	Huw Morgan - Senior Vice President, Aerospace Procurement	Savyasachi Srinivas, Vice President, Engineering at Collins Aerospace				Srinivasan Dwarakanath Director General, Aerospace India Association and Former CEO & MD of Airbus India
13-Feb	11:00 - 12:00	Hall C	Country Session	Italy - Europe's hub for your strategic expansion	Nitik Ratnakar (Director, NIR Group)	Fabio Fedel (Managing Director, SILMAX group)	Nipun Sahni (Vice President - International Business, Tejas Networks Ltd.)					
13-Feb	12:00 - 13:00	Hall C	Country Session	Australia and Karnataka: where are we now and what are the opportunities	Hilary McGeachy (Australian Consul General, Bengaluru)	Michelle Wade (Commissioner - South Asia, Global Victoria)	Gaven Standon (President, Indo-Australia Chamber of Commerce)	Irfan Malik (National Associate Chair and President on NSW Chapter, Australia India Business Council)				
13-Feb	13:35 - 14:30	Hall B	Panel discussion	INDUSTRY 5.0 - REDEFINING MANUFACTURING FOR THE HUMAN-CENTRIC REVOLUTION	Bhuwan Lodha, chief executive - AI division, Mahindra Group	Lingraju Sawkar, chief executive, Kyndryl India	Dr Bertie Muller, director for computer science, Swansea University; chair, Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behaviour AISB					Charles Ross, principal, technology and society, Asia-Pacific, Economist Impact

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13-Feb	14:00 - 15:15	Hall D	Panel discussion	India's Next Innovation Powerhouse: Karnataka's Blueprint for KWIN City	Aditya Virwani (Chief Operating Officer, Embassy Group)	Devi Prasad Shetty (Chairman, Narayana Hrudayalaya Limited)	Ranch Kimball (Trustee, Boston University)	Rao Munukutla, Chief Executive Officer, Bengaluru Airport City Limited - BACL	Vikrant Shrotriya (Managing Director, Novo Nordisk India Pvt. Ltd)			Anshul Gupta, Partner, Boston Consulting Group
13-Feb	14:15 - 15:15	Hall E	Fireside chat	Design matters	Yvonne Watson Executive Dean, Parsons School of Design	Udayant Malhoutra (CEO & Managing Director, Dynamatic Technologies Limited)						Lakshmi Pratury, Founder & CEO - INKtalks
13-Feb	14:00 - 15:00	Hall C	Country Session	Australia-India bilateral opportunities for Global market needs in the Clean Energy and Green Economy sectors	Gaurav Gupta, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Energy Dept., Govt of Karnataka	Denise Eaton, Australian Trade and Investment Commissioner for Austrade in South Asia (Clean Energy & Green Economy)	Malini Dutt , NSW (Australia)Trade and Investment Commissioner - India, Investment NSW	Vinod Subramaniam, Director, Always Carbon & Bhouma Envirotech Pvt Ltd	K P Rudrappaiah , Managing Director, Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Ltd (KREDL)			Irfan Malik, President NSW & National Associate Chair, Australia India Business Council (AIBC)
13-Feb	14:35 - 15:30	Hall B	Panel discussion	CRAFTING NEW RULES - A GLOBAL APPROACH TO AI REGULATION	Gillian Lester, Dean and Lucy G. Moses Professor of Law, Columbia Law	Var Shankar, chief AI and privacy officer, Enzai	James Ong, founder and managing director, Artificial Intelligence International Institute (AIII)	Abhivardhan, chairperson and managing trustee, Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law	Anka Reuel, founding member, KIRA			Leo Mirani, Asia correspondent, The Economist
13-Feb	15:00 - 16:30	Hall C	Country Session	Israel country session	Orli Weitzman - Consul General	Rajeeb Kumar Roy - Founder and CEO, Agriplast Tech India Pvt. Ltd	Venkatesan S - Solar Edge (Head of Sales)	Vivekanand Tiwari - Co-founder, Climate Crop Ltd	Liane Ghosh - Country Head, Dronacharya Tech-Hub	Sindhu Cherian - Director, Ayala Water & Ecology	Abner Chin, chief agronomist of AutoAgronom	



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13-Feb	15:15 - 16:15	Hall E	Panel discussion	Paving the way for Bioeconomy with BioE3 Policy and Karnataka Biotechnology Policy 2024-2029								
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13-Feb	15:30 - 16:45	Hall D	Panel discussion	Future of Care: Revolutionizing Healthcare Through Digital Innovation & Collaboration	Ashutosh Raghuvanshi (MD & CEO, Fortis Healthcare Limited)	Shashank ND (Co-Founder & CEO, Practo)	Indu Bhushan (President - iLEAP, Ex-CEO, Ayushman Bharat/National Health Authority)					Dr. Sonal Asthana (Clinical Lead and Program Director, HPB and Multiorgan Transplant Surgery - Aster Integrated Liver Care (ILC) Group & Aster Group of Hospitals)
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13-Feb	16:15 - 17:30	Hall E	Panel discussion	Future of Commercial Space	Jacob Gullish, Executive Director, Digital Economy, Media, and Satcom, U.S.-India Business Council, U.S. Chamber of Commerce	S. Somanath, Former Chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)	Husain Suterwala, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Space Policy - Partnerships					Abhishek Malhotra, Managing Partner, TMT Law Practice
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13-Feb	16:30 - 17:30	Hall A	Panel discussion	From Diverse Paths to a Common Goal	Kiran Rao (Mumbai-based Film Director, Producer, and Writer)	Irina Ghose (MD, Microsoft India)	Sukhi Singh Founder, Sukhi's Gourmet Foods					Lakshmi Pratury, Founder & CEO - INKtalks
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13-Feb	16:30 - 17:30	Hall C	Panel discussion	Unlocking Growth: Financing strategies for MSMEs in India	Pankaj Gupta, Chief Executive Officer, Godrej Finance Ltd.	Parvathi Moorthy - Associate Vice President Head of SME listing National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.	Sreenivas M., General Manager MSME, Karnataka Bank					K Ullas Kamath Founder, UK&Co.
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13-Feb	18:00 PM onwards	Plenary		SME Connect awards								
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