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ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Future of Accounting Profession Challenges and Opportunities



02 & 03 May 2019
Thursday & Friday
Ball Room-Oman Sheraton
Ruwi, Muscat



PROGRAM SCHEDULE



DAY 1 - Thursday, May 2, 2019

Time		Session	Guests / Speakers
3:00 PM	4:00 PM	Registration and Networking	
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	Inauguration of the conference and unveiling the souvenir	Chief Guest HE Munu Mahawar The Indian Ambassador to the Sultanate Guests of Honour Dr. Nasser Al Mawali Dean of College of Banking and Financial Studies CA Atul Kumar Gupta - Vice-President of ICAI
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	Panel Discussion - ACCOUNTING PROFESSION CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES	Mr. Nasser Al Mugheiry CEO of Grant Thornton, Oman Mr. Davis Kallukaran Managing Partner of Crowe, Oman Moderator: CA Mubeen Khan – Past Chairman
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Value Creation	CA Saumya Krishna
7:00 PM	7:45 PM	Investment Scenario in Oman	CA Sanjay Kumar Tiwari
7:45 PM	8:30 PM	Sustaining Happiness in Digital era	CA Pattabhiram
8:30 PM	onwards	Dinner	

DAY 2 - Friday, May 3, 2019

Time		Session	Speakers
9:00 AM	9:45 AM	The Progress of Islamic Banking in Oman	Mr. Narasimhan – Bank Nizwa
9:45 AM	10:45 AM	Impact of Block Chain Technology	CA Sathya Kumar
10:45 AM	11:30 AM	Private Equity Simplified	CA Pankaj Mundra
11:30 AM	12:30 PM	Positive Mental Attitude	CA Ramnath Iyer
12:30 PM	2:00 PM	Prayer and Lunch break	
2:00 PM	2:30 PM	Mementos to Volunteers, Sponsors and Overseas Chairperson	
2:30 PM	3:15 PM	Internal Audit as a sine qua non for good governance	CA Mario Nazareth
3:15 PM	4:00 PM	Expanding Horizons beyond Finance	CA Nalin Chandna
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	Business Model Transformation and its implications on Leadership	CA Niladri Roy
5:00 PM		Vote of Thanks	



GUESTS & SPEAKERS



Day 1



HE Munu Mahawar – The Indian Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman

Shri Munu Mahawar assumed charge of the Post of Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman on 21 August 2018. He joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1996. He has served in diplomatic Missions in Moscow (1998-2001 & 2008-2011) and Geneva (2005-2008). At Headquarters, he has served as Desk Officer for Nepal (2001-2005) and Director in Prime Minister's Office (2011-2014). He also headed the Establishment Division (2014-2015) and UN Political Division (April 2015-September 2015) in Ministry of External Affairs. Prior to his present assignment, he was head of Americas Division from October 2015 to August 2018. Shri Mahawar was born in Dhamtari, Chattisgarh. He did his B.Tech in Electrical Engineering from IIT, Delhi. He speaks Hindi, English and Russian languages. His wife is also an Indian Foreign Service Officer. They have one son and one daughter.

Dr. Nasser Al Mawali – Dean of College of Banking and Financial Studies

Dr. Nasser Al-Mawali is Dean of College of Banking and Financial Services. He is a member of National Youth Commission; he was Head of Academic Group at the Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Co-operation. He is one of founders of the Oman Economic Association, his board member in Alkhother Fund. Dr. Al-Mawali has a professional affiliation with American Economic Association. Further, Dr. Al-Mawali is External Reviewer in the Oman Accreditation Council, member of Oman Quality Network in Higher Education (OQNHE), and serves in the Advisory Board of Colleges of Applied Sciences, member in the Board of Trustees in the Oman College of Management & Technology and also in the BoT in Arab Open University, Expert in academic program licensing for the Ministry of Higher Education. He also served as an expert in the Appeal Court of Oman, an author of Oman international trade in the Oman Encyclopedia. His area of research is mainly concentrated on studying determinants of trade flows, economics of intellectual property rights and economic growth. He has published several refereed articles and presented many research papers at numerous national and international conferences. Dr. Al-Mawali has served as a referee in several scientific scholarly journals, and symposiums. Dr. Al-Mawali has received a number of recognition awards such as best paper award in the IBER conference in United States of America, best student's award for the academic achievements from the Vanderbilt University and several academic achievement awards from Sultan Qaboos university. He participated in several professional and technical workshops and training courses and also did examine a number of Master thesis. Dr. Al-Mawali frequently writes articles in the local newspapers and magazines discussing some of economic issues of interest to the general public.



CA. Atul Kumar Gupta - Vice-President, ICAI

Atul Kumar Gupta is a man of refined thought-process, quick understanding and sharp vision. CA. Atul Kumar Gupta has been elected as Vice-President of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for the term 2019-20 on 12th February 2019. Being a Commerce and a Law graduate by education, CA. Gupta has developed a unique Perspective to look into the matter. He has led the cause of profession through various Committees of the Institute, serving as Chairman of Digital Accounting and Assurance Board, Board of Studies, IT Committee and Indirect Taxes Committee, among others. CA. Atul Kumar Gupta has also been the Chairman of SAFA on Education, Training and CPD Committee and Director of XBRL India and ICAI-Accounting Research Foundation (ARF) in The past. He has also mentored the project on accounting reforms in Indian Railways. As Vice-President of the Institute, CA. Gupta is now the Vice-Chairman of all Standing Committees including Executive, Finance and Examination Committees, besides being the Ex-officio member of all Non-Standing Committees of the Institute and Joint Editor of the Institute's Journal, The Chartered Accountant. CA. Atul Gupta has authored several books & his articles have also been published in leading newspapers and various professional Magazines across the country.



Nasser Al Mugheiry

Nasser Al Mugheiry is the CEO- founded his own firm Abu Timam in March 1995. He has been a Council Member of UK for six years. He has also served as the Chairman of Audit Committee, ACCA, UK and Oman Society of Certified Accountants. Nasser Al Mugheiry started his career in 1981 with Deloitte Haskins + Sells in London. In 1989 he joined Coopers Lybrand in Oman and left Coopers as an Audit Manager in 1995 to launch Abu Timam. He has more than 20 years rich and extensive experience in statutory audits of various industries including manufacturing industries, insurance, internal audits, management consultancy, project management and HR consultancy. His strong technical background allows him to get involved in various large assignments both at the private and publicly listed level. He has also been imparting training to Omani trainees for their career development He served on the Various Committee of ACCA global.



CA Davis Kallukaran

Founding and Managing Partner of Horwath Mak Ghazali, Chartered Accountants Muscat; a top ten audit firm in the Sultanate of Oman. He has diversified experience into multidisciplinary practice of accounting, auditing, management and IT consultancy. A fellow of the Institute of Chartered accountants of India, Co-opted to the International affairs committee of the council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India New Delhi (2007-08). Founding Chairman of the Muscat Chapter of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (2008-09) Certified Member of The Institute of Certified Fraud Examiners. A regular columnist for the Times of Oman on Tax related matters. Co-authored a book on Taxation of Non-resident Indians. He has attended and addressed several international conferences in accounting, auditing and risk advisory services and corporate finance. Crowe Horwath, the top ten global accounting network has bestowed the 'Pinnacle Award', the highest award of recognition on Davis Kallukaran for his outstanding contribution to the network globally.





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CA. Mubeen Khan

Mubeen Khan is Past Chairman of the Muscat Chapter of ICAI and Ex-Vice President of Oman Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA). Mubeen works as an Advisor at the Capital Market Authority of the Sultanate of Oman handling regulatory inspections and investigations. He is FCA, CIA & CISA. Mubeen is also regular writer and commentator in the local and regional newspapers and magazines on topics that includes Governance, Risk and Compliance as well as Omani, GCC and Global Economy. Mubeen's core expertise lies in fraud and forensics and he is credited with identification and investigation of various occupational frauds, many of which led to court convictions. Mubeen also worked with United Nations – World Food Programme on secondment. He conducts fraud awareness workshops, His lectures were quite popular at the annual Financial Crime Conference jointly organized by Royal Oman Police and Bank Muscat and he recently delivered an address on the topic at the State Audit Institution of the Sultanate of Oman. He has spoken at GCC Chapters of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) including Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Qatar and Bahrain.



CA Saumya Krishna

Saumya Krishna is a Director leading the Valuations, Modelling and Commercial Advisory practice for Deloitte in Qatar. Has over 14 years of experience in investment banking, valuation, commercial advisory, corporate finance and M&A transactions. Saumya also has extensive experience leading training for Deloitte's clients and staff on valuations, expected credit loss provisioning, impairment reviews and corporate finance best practices. Saumya is a Chartered Accountant (CA), holds an MBA, and is a Registered Member of CPA Australia.



CA Sanjay Kumar Tiwari

Sanjay Kumar Tiwari is a Chartered Accountant with 25 years of experience in industries ranging from Textile, Cement, Tyre and Engineering to FMCG. He has in-depth knowledge of the Middle East, South East and South Asian markets. He has been instrumental in turning around loss making companies in countries in Asia and MENA region.



CA Patabhi Ram

Patabhi Ram wears multiple hats: CA by profession, a writer and speaker by passion, and a teacher by accident. Co-Founder of and Partner at, Yoganandh & Ram, Chartered Accountants, and Co-founder, Prime Academy, the pioneering educational institution that trains CA students. His maiden novel, Ticking Times, the first Indian novel to be set in the backdrop of the accounting and audit profession. He has authored an ICAI recommended text book, several self-help books and biographies.





GUESTS & SPEAKERS



Day 2



R. Narasimhan

Has over four decades of professional experience, starting off his career as a college professor. A direct recruit officer to a public sector bank, he was selected as Vice President in a new generation private sector bank where he held the position of Head of Corporate Banking for Pan India in the rank of Chief General Manager before moving to Oman. Currently, he is the General Manager of Wholesale Banking at Bank Nizwa.

CA Sathya Kumar

Sathya Kumar is National Youth Icon Award winner & Change Maker Award Winner of UNESCO Club in India. He is on the Audit Advisory Board Member of C&AG the apex audit institution in India. A practising CA he is Chief Strategist to Tycoonplus Advisors Private Limited. He envisions to provide employment to 5000+ people by 2022. He is also Global Strategic Partner to CIMA (UK). He is closely working with Government of Tamil Nadu for setting up FINTECH Park in Chennai. He worked with KPMG and has a decade's experience in Assurance, Tax Advisory space.



CA Pankaj Mundra

Pankaj Mundra has worked formerly with ICICI Bank and later with Standard Chartered Bank, he moved to Dubai to join the ABN AMRO BANK and worked closely with the CFO and Head of Consumer Banking. In 2007, Pankaj joined Mashreq Bank as AVP responsible for managing the profitability of the FID portfolio of around USD 24 billion spread across 700 Banks in more than 100 countries. In his enhanced role in Mashreq, Pankaj got first hand exposure in structuring cross border transactions and relationship management with top global banks. He is also past Chairman of ICAI Dubai chapter.

CA Ramnath Iyer

Ramnath Iyer is a Chartered Accountant and certified Neuro Linguistic Programme practitioner. With the experience of interacting with over 80,000 people over the past 30 years, he conceptualized Iyers Leadership Program, based on a unique RVA model comprising Relaxation, Visualisation and Affirmation. He has been conducting motivational seminars for a variety of audience including corporates, students on how to prepare themselves for important exams, and individuals who are keen on overcoming their fear in life.



CA Mario Anthony Nazareth

Mario Anthony Nazareth is a rank holding CA, he is Executive Vice President (Corporate Management Services) at Mahindra & Mahindra Limited and also the Group Chief Internal Auditor. In the latter capacity he is responsible, since 2003, for the Internal Audit function for all Mahindra companies. Corporate Management Services won the 2017 IIA Excellence Award for the best application of technology in audits and more recently, the IIA India Excellence Award for Innovation in the field of Internal Audit. The Institute of Internal Auditors, India awarded Nazareth with the (First) Internal Auditor of the Year Award.



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CA Nalin Chandna

Nalin Chandna is the CEO for National Gas Company SAOG. A qualified finance expert, TED speaker, and a seasoned professional with two decades of significant experience in impacting business growth, Nalin is also a certified leadership coach, trainer and an inspirational speaker. Before joining National Gas Company, Nalin worked with reputed organizations as Monsanto, Wal-Mart, Motorola, and Ernst & Young and brings along his diverse experience across industries and geographies.

CA Niladri Roy

Niladri Roy is a A C-suite management consultant and visiting professor, he is the co-founder and managing partner of a boutique advisory firm which advises marquee Indian and Global brands. He has led multiple complex change assignments across sectors in India, USA, Europe and Middle East. Prior to incubating his consulting practice, Niladri worked with Aditya Birla Group, Infosys Technologies and PricewaterhouseCoopers. He is currently a visiting professor in IIM-Shillong and IIM- Lucknow.



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