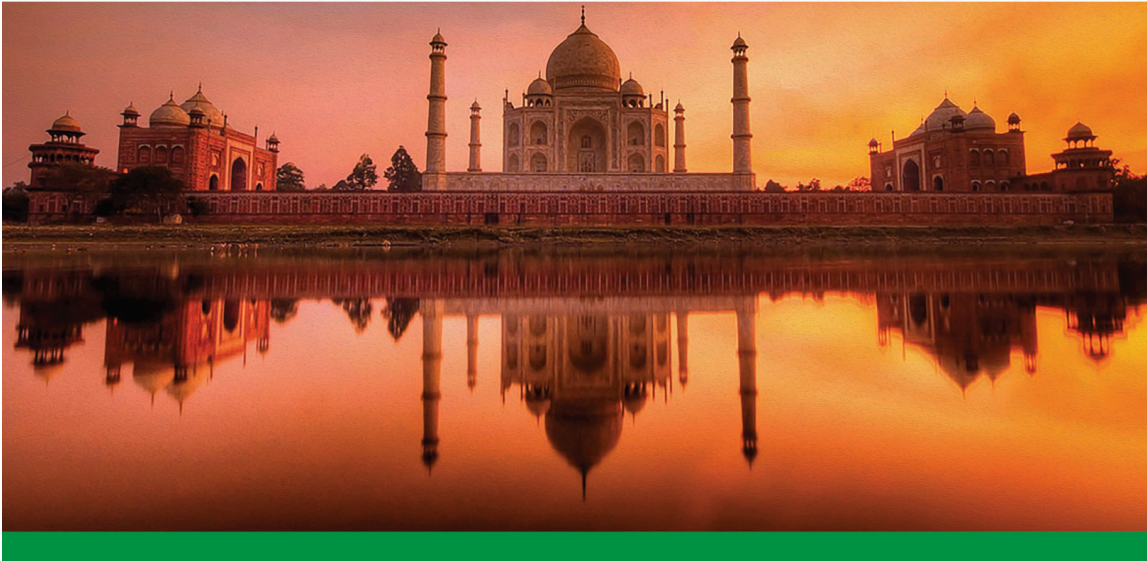


# NEXUS India Silicon Valley Forum: Sustainable India by 2100

*The next generation giving back to the future*



The Inaugural NEXUS India Silicon Valley Forum was held on Jan 31st- Feb 2nd 2017 in the San Francisco Bay Area. Organized by Founding Chair, Tara Singh, Director of Nexus India & Diaspora Engagement, Leela Bhashyam and Curator, Raj Ann Rekhi Gill, the NEXUS India Silicon Valley Forum convened with a single vision: **Sustainable India By 2100**. The event was an intimate, invitation-only gathering of leading South Asian philanthropists, investors and entrepreneurs from around the world. The Forum included speakers such as top Silicon Valley venture capitalists and investors, leadership from Google, Facebook, YouTube and those on the forefront of future thought and planning- just to name a few.

The Silicon Valley Forum was hosted in partnership with Facebook, Microsoft and Google where we discussed ways to build a more Sustainable India through a variety of presentations, interactive panel sessions and social gatherings. Throughout the Forum we uncovered how we can leverage impact with a network that convenes young South Asian leaders, the Silicon Valley tech world and investment communities in order to transform ideas, plans and resources into scalable and sustainable solutions to South Asia's most intractable issues. This was the first time a NEXUS gathering of this nature took place here in Silicon Valley and we were proud to welcome many NEXUS India members as well as allies from the NEXUS Global network to the event.

## What is NEXUS India?

Gathering young visionaries and social change leaders from India and the Indian diaspora, NEXUS India unites extraordinary Next Gen from around the world and ignites within them the flame of social change and commitment to humanity & mother earth that will live on 100 years+ into the future. With exposure to innovative new technologies and the freshest perspectives and research, our members transform ideas into action and usher in a new era of **Sustainable India**, on a scale that has never been accomplished before.

### **Who do we convene?**

NEXUS India convenes leading South Asian philanthropists, VCs, impact investors, social entrepreneurs, traditional entrepreneurs, civic leaders, creative artists and activists in order to amplify the collective impact of young social change leaders with great dreams. Together, we aim to not just create a 100 Year Plan of Sustainable Impact in India, but foster a movement to build a more sustainable planet Earth that will thrive for generations to come.

### **Want to join a future gathering?**

We are always interested in learning more about amazing young South Asian philanthropists, social entrepreneurs and impact investors and their incredible projects. Reach out to [india@nexusyouthsummit.org](mailto:india@nexusyouthsummit.org) to introduce yourself and let us know what innovative projects or ventures you are working on. As NEXUS India events are by invitation-only, this is the best way for us to consider you for a future gathering.

### **2017 NEXUS INDIA SILICON VALLEY FORUM**

The Inaugural **NEXUS India Silicon Valley Forum: Sustainable India by 2100** was held on Jan 31st - Feb 2nd, 2017. Together with NEXUS members, speakers, experts and partners, and through a dynamic array of panels, presentations and social gatherings, we aimed to paint the picture of what a Sustainable India could be and what we the NEXUS India and greater NEXUS network, could do to get it there.

#### **Jan 31st: OPENING RECEPTION, 5:30-9pm**

Facebook Headquarters, Menlo Park

#### **Feb 1st: SILICON VALLEY FORUM, 9am- 5pm**

Microsoft Conference Center, Mountain View

#### **AFFINITY DINNER, 7-10pm**

Joya, Palo Alto

#### **Feb 2nd: OPTIONAL SITE VISIT, 9am-2pm**

Googleplex, Mountain View

### **AGENDA**

#### **OPENING RECEPTION- Tuesday, January 31st, 5:30-9:00 pm.**

Facebook HQ

Welcome and Introduction, NEXUS India and Facebook Connectivity Labs

*"The Nature of the Future"*

Marina Gorbis, Executive Director, Institute for the Future

*"What does a 700 year old ryokan, 900 year old sake company and the Catholic church teach us about sustainability?"*

Venky Ganesan, Managing Director, Menlo Ventures and Chair, National Venture Capital Association

*"My Journey at the nuclear brink"*

Dr. William Perry, Stanford Professor and Former U.S. Secretary of Defense

*"Uniting Generations for a Future Free of Nuclear Threat"*

Anu Khosla, Nucleus Strategy

**FORUM- February 1st, 9:00am- 5:00pm**

**Microsoft Conference Center**

*"Whole Being: An Experiential Field Guide to Consciousness, Collaboration, and Creativity"*

Danny Rockefeller Growald, Director, Intelos/Stitch

Lindsey Darwin Constanz, Director, Intelos/Stitch

*"What does a radical and revolutionary technology look like?"*

DJ Patil, Former U.S. Chief Data Scientist

*"Transforming Conservation in India, One Animal at a Time"*

Vivek Menon, South Asia Director, International Fund for Animal Welfare

*"Smart Growth – Revitalizing business and society"*

Moderator: Raj-Ann Rekhi Gill, Curator, Nexus India

Arvind Satyam, CISCO Smart Cities

Arvin Patel, Founder, Green City Planning

*"Leveraging technology for impact in India"*

Moderator: Vanessa Grellet, SVP Enterprise, ConsenSys

Dipender Saluja, Partner and Managing Director, Capricorn Investment Group

Beau Seil, Managing Director, Unitus Impact

**Lunch break**

*"Sensational Strings" (Performance and Story)*

Christen Lien, Provocative Composer, Hypnotic Performer; Timeflux 10

*"The Power of Stories to Change the World"*

Moderator: SJ Murray, Co-Chair, Nexus Working Group on Film & Storytelling

Raakhi Kapur, Producer, Walt Disney Imagineering

Shalini GovilPai, Senior Director, Google/ YouTube

*"Google India's velocity programs"*

Gopi Kallayil, Chief Evangelist, Brand Marketing; Google

*"Dignity for All- Following Gandhi's Lead in Addressing the Sustainable Development Goals in India"*

Radhika Shah, Co-Chair, Sustainable Development Goals Philanthropy Platform

*"Exponential technologies and the trillion dollar opportunities"*

Vivek Wadhwa, Distinguished Fellow, Carnegie Mellon University at Silicon Valley

**Coffee break**

*"Innovations in Education"*

Neeru Khosla, CK-12 Foundation

Arjun Mehta, Co-founder and CEO, Trakfire

*"Bridging the Digital Divide and Enabling an Innovation Ecosystem"*

Moderator: Ritu Sharma, Social Entrepreneur & Emerging Market Innovation Advisor, SDG Nexus

Suhas Subramanyam, Policy Advisor, The White House (OSTP)

*"Why Can't We Find New Antibiotics?"*

Carolyn Shore, Ph.D., Officer, Antibiotic Resistance Project, The Pew Charitable Trusts

Amanda Das, Officer, Philanthropic Partnerships, The Pew Charitable Trusts

*"Sustainable India: Harnessing our Inner and Outer Resources"*

Dr. Shamini Jain, Founding Director, Consciousness and Healing Initiative



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