

**Institute of Directors (IOD), INDIA**

**IODGlobal Webinar on  
Boardrooms Under Pressure:  
*Leading Through Geopolitical Flux and Global Uncertainty***

**Wednesday | April 22, 2026 | 1500 - 1700 hrs IST**

**Theme:**

**Flow of Agenda**

As on date: 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2026

<b>Session Details</b>		<b>Timings</b>
<b>Opening Remarks</b>	<b>By Emcee</b>	1500 – 1505 hrs
<b>Welcome Address</b>	<b>Mr. Manoj K Raut</b> CEO & Secretary-General, Institute of Directors	1505 – 1515 hrs
<b>Theme Address</b>	<b>H.E. Y.K. Sinha, IFS (Retd.),</b> Former High Commissioner of India to the UK	1515 – 1530 hrs
<b>Keynote Address</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Maciejko</b> Founder, Board AI Institute, NACD Member, USA	1530 – 1545 hrs
<b>Keynote Address</b>	<b>Tbc</b>	1545 – 1600 hrs
<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<p><b>Boardrooms Under Pressure:</b> <i>Leading Through Geopolitical Flux and Global Uncertainty</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Geopolitics Moves to the Boardroom:</b> From external risk to a core strategic agenda—why Boards must now lead from the front.</li> <li><b>2. Energy Security in a Volatile World:</b> Geopolitics reshaping energy markets and pricing—strategies for resilience over dependency.</li> <li><b>3. The New Global Risk Order:</b> Rise of multi-dimensional risks—war, trade, cyber, climate—amid fragmented global supply chains.</li> <li><b>4. Capital, Markets &amp; Investor Confidence:</b> Managing capital flows, market volatility, and investor sentiment in an era of geopolitical flux.</li> <li><b>5. Decision-Making Under Extreme Uncertainty:</b></li> </ol>	1600 – 1700 hrs

	<p>Balancing board agility with governance discipline in fast-evolving risk environments.</p> <p><b>6. ESG Under Stress - A Reality Check:</b> Repositioning ESG from compliance to core risk and resilience strategy.</p> <p><b>7. Cyber Warfare &amp; Digital Sovereignty:</b> Navigating cyber threats, data control, and AI-driven risks—strengthening board-level digital resilience.</p> <p><b>8. Stakeholder Trust in a Divided World:</b> Building and sustaining trust, transparency, and communication during crisis and uncertainty.</p> <p><b>9. Leadership in Times of Crisis:</b> The Board’s role in providing stability, direction, and strategic guidance through turbulence.</p> <p><b>10. From Disruption to Strategic Advantage:</b> Turning uncertainty into opportunity—new markets, alliances, and innovation pathways.</p>	
<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Tbc</b>	
<b>Speaker 1</b>	<b>Mr. David Dalka</b> Board & CEO Advisor, Chief Business Futurist, Fearless Revival, USA	
<b>Speaker 2</b>	<b>Prof. Harsh V. Pant</b> Vice President, Observe Research Foundation in New Delhi	
<b>Speaker 3</b>	<b>Mr. Balaji Nagabhushan,</b> Group Chief Administrative Officer, Tristar Group, UAE	
<b>Speaker 4</b>	<b>Ambassador M.P Singh, IFS (Retd.)</b> Former Indian Diplomat	
<b>Speaker 5</b>	<b>Dr. Andrea Bonime-Blanc</b> Founder & CEO, GEC Risk Advisory, USA	
	<b>(Q &amp; A) Interaction with Audience</b>	
<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>Tbc</b>	1700 – 1705 hrs
	End of the Programme	1715 hrs