

NATIONAL CONVENTION SERIES ON 'BOARDS'



Presentation of
IODGLOBAL Driving Excellence
Award for Leadership
IDEAL - 2026



Felicitation of
IOD Life Members

 **JAN 23**
2027

Hotel The LaLiT Ashok
Bengaluru

THEME

**Boards at a Turning Point: Leading
Enterprises through a New Era**

ABOUT THE CONVENTION

The Institute of Directors (IOD) National Convention 2026, Themed “Boards at a Turning Point: Leading Enterprises through a New Era,” will bring together directors, policymakers, regulators, and industry leaders to deliberate on the evolving role of boards in a complex and interconnected global economy. Hosted in Bengaluru, the convention aims to strengthen boardroom leadership across corporate, financial, and public sectors, with a strong emphasis on governance in the financial domain, including regulatory compliance, risk oversight, audit integrity, and capital stewardship.

The convention will also address broader priorities such as ESG integration, sustainable finance, and climate responsibility, alongside technology governance covering digital transformation, cybersecurity, data privacy, and AI-led innovation.

A special Felicitation Ceremony will feature the presentation of the IODGLOBAL Driving Excellence Award for Leadership (IDEAL), while also honouring distinguished IOD Life Members for their contribution to corporate governance and leadership excellence.

KEY DELIBERATIONS

- Strengthening board accountability and governance frameworks in line with evolving regulatory expectations, particularly across financial markets, audit practices, and supervisory engagement.
- Enhancing board oversight of financial performance, capital allocation, risk governance, and compliance within the banking and broader financial sector.
- Integrating ESG principles and sustainable finance into board strategy, with a focus on climate risk, energy transition, and responsible business practices.
- Governing digital transformation through robust oversight of data privacy, cybersecurity, AI-driven innovation, and emerging technology risks.



PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

The programme brings together high-impact plenary sessions, engaging fireside chats, and cross-sector discussions spanning finance, governance, technology, and sustainability. It offers practical insights into emerging boardroom priorities, encourages interactive audience engagement, and includes focused dialogues on high-growth enterprises. Participants also benefit from valuable networking opportunities and a special segment recognizing excellence in leadership and corporate governance.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The convention is ideal for board members, independent directors, and chairpersons, along with CEOs, Managing Directors, CFOs, and CXOs across sectors. It is especially relevant for leaders from banks, NBFCs, insurance companies, and capital market institutions focusing on financial governance and regulatory compliance. Regulators, policymakers, and government representatives will also benefit from the discussions. Additionally, audit committee members, risk and compliance professionals, ESG and sustainability leaders, and technology heads will gain valuable insights. Legal professionals, will find the convention highly relevant.



CONVENTION TOPICS

- The Boardroom at a Turning Point: Building resilient governance frameworks for long-term value creation
- Boards Without Borders: Leading Enterprises Across Markets, Cultures & Geographies
- Independent Directors: The Conscience and Compass of the Board
- ESG, Climate & Responsible Growth: From Compliance Imperative to Boardroom Strategy
- The Intelligent Board: Governing AI, Technology, Cyber Risk Technology-Led Transformation
- The Trust Dividend: Building Institutions That Endure



Presented at the National Convention on Boards, Bengaluru

Recognising Visionary Leadership | Honouring Excellence | Celebrating National Impact

Honouring Exceptional:

- Corporate Leaders
- Directors & Board Members
- Entrepreneurs & Innovators
- Public Leaders
- Social Impact Champions

Celebrating Excellence In:

- Boardroom Excellence & Ethical Governance
- Innovation & Enterprise Transformation
- ESG & Sustainable Growth
- Leadership with Societal Impact
- Nation-Building through Responsible Enterprise

A Mark of Distinction for Leaders Driving Change

Where leadership, governance, and excellence converge.

ABOUT US

INSTITUTE OF DIRECTORS (IOD), India :

Established in India in 1990, the Institute of Directors (IOD) is an apex national association of Corporate Directors under India's 'Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860'. Currently, it is associated with over 30,000 senior executives from Govt, PSU and Private organizations, India and abroad.

IOD, India is committed in its endeavour of building boards of the future. The IOD, India's activities extend from Boardroom Training, Research, Publications, Board Advisory Services, Monthly Lectures to Workshops and networking of Members, Directors and Global Leaders through various National & International Conventions and platforms to debate the issues of topical interest, held in India and abroad.

The IOD, India's 'Masterclass for Directors' covers training in Corporate Directorship, and 'Golden Peacock Awards' in 15 different corporate disciplines, have become global benchmarks.

REGISTRATION PACKAGE

Includes Lunch, Dinner, Tea / Coffee, Refreshments and Literature for Conference Proceedings & Souvenir etc.

Non-Residential Registration Fee	Indian Participant (in ₹)	Overseas Participants (US \$)
IOD Members (Active)	Complimentary for IOD Members	
Non IOD Members:	7000	100

* Pre-registration is required

*Exclusive of all taxes

PAST EMINENT SPEAKERS



Hon'ble Justice U. U. Lalit
Chairman
Institute of Directors
former Chief Justice of India



Anurag Singh Thakur
Hon'ble Member of Parliament
(Lok Sabha)
& Former Cabinet Minister
Government of India



Sujata Saunik, IAS
Chief Secretary
Government of Maharashtra



Ashwini Bhide, IAS
Additional Chief Secretary to Hon.
CM of Maharashtra & MD
Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation Limited



Dr. P. Anbalagan, IAS
Secretary
Industries Department
Government of Maharashtra



Vijay Singhal, IAS
Vice-Chairman & MD
CIDCO



P. Velrasu, IAS
CEO
MIDC



Roop Rashi, IA&AS
CEO, Khadi and Village
Industries Commission



Dr. Prashant Narnaware, IAS
Secretary to the
Governor of Maharashtra



Amarjeet Singh
Whole Time Member
SEBI



V. S. Sundaresan
Executive Director
SEBI



Dr. Alka Mittal
Chairman & Managing Director
ONGC



Alok Kumar Choudhary
Managing Director
State Bank of India



Ashishkumar Chauhan
Managing Director & CEO
NSE



Arun Raste
Managing Director & CEO
NCDEX



Pranay Ranjan Dwivedi
Managing Director CEO
SBI Pension Funds Pvt. Ltd.



Gautam Thakur
Chairman
Saraswat Bank



Shishir Bajaj
Bajaj Group Patriarch and Chairman
Bajaj Foundation



Dr. Niranjana Hiranandani
Co-Founder MD
Hiranandani Group



A.S. Lakshminarayanan
Managing Director CEO
Tata Communications Limited



Vijay Karia
Chairman & MD
Ravin Group of Companies



Dr. Brinda Jagirdar
Business Economist &
Independent Director



Kalpana Unadkat
Independent Board Member



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