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## Grand Launch of 3 Representative Offices of ICAI in EU during 8th edition of India Symposium 2020

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) Netherlands Chapter and India Dutch FinancialCorridor (IDFC) is organising 8th edition of India Symposium 2020, an annual event to be held on Thursday 10th December, 2020 from 10:30 – 12:45 hrs (CET) | 15:00 – 17:15 hrs (IST). Theme of the event is Unlocking the Potential: Business Opportunities between India and EU.

The EU is India's largest trading partner, with current business for €80 billion worth of trade in goods. "It aims to raise by €150 billion worth of trade in goods in next 5 years", says Dr.Vikas Chaturvedi who is the Chairman of ICAI Netherlands Chapter and Chairman of India Dutch Financial Corridor (IDFC). Both India and EU are determined to take the business to next level.

Give the current geo political landscape India is strategically EU's natural partner

This Symposium aims to play a catalyst role in achieving the ambition of both the leaderships. Given the situation of Brexit the India Symposium 2020 aims to foster the relationship between the two sides India and EU.

During the Symposium there will be deliberations on enhancing the business opportunities between India and EU. Further 3 new representative offices (in Belgium, France and Switzerland) of ICAI in EU will be launched by the Chief Guest of the event Shri Suresh Prabhu, Member of Parliament, India's Sherpa to the G7 and G20 (former Minister of Commerce, Industry and Civil Aviation).

"Signing of trade deal is a key focus area between India and EU which has been pending for a very long time and the successful negotiating in concluding the trade deal will act as a big trigger in boosting the bilateral business between India and EU", added Dr.VikasChaturvedi.

There are various eminent speakers who will be addressing the Symposium including:

Mr. Ritesh Agarwal, Founder & Group CEO, OYO Hotels & Homes would be sharing his Entrepreneurial Journey in context of India-Europe, H.E. Mr. Ugo Astuto, EU Ambassador to India would be sharing views on EU-India Roadmap to 2025, H.E. Mr. Santosh Jha, Indian Ambassador to EU, Belgium and Luxembourg would be sharing views on AtmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan and opportunities for EU companies in India, Ms. KishoriPednekar, Mayor of Mumbai will present.

Mumbai as a Fintech Hub and will discuss the opportunities of EU companies in India, Mr. VikasMagoon, CEO of LT Foods Europe BV. will give his views on LT Foods Strategic Vision for EU expansion. LT Foods is the fastest growing Indian company in the Netherlands, CA Atul Kumar Gupta, ICAl President will share his views on "The role of ICAl strengthening EU-India ties" and Mr. Manoj Pandey, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India will also address in the event.