

Two Day Conclave on  
**DESIGN EDUCATION FOR CREATING VALUES  
& DRIVING BUSINESS GROWTH**

Dates: 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Venue: ICSR Building, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, India

- Design is the driver for Business Growth in the hyper competitive digital age.
- Based on the success of Design led Organisations Corporations are putting design at the centre of their strategy and designers are finding C-Suit positions.
- There is an urgent need to create a large talent pool of designers for the Indian Business especially in Aero, Auto and Off-Highway Industries.
- How do we initiate an impactful discussion on Design Education which would result in new thinking and in a concerted action to revise the curricula and the methodology for Design Education in our Engineering Colleges and Institutes?



**The Idea for a Brain-Storming Conclave:**

- This has led to an idea of holding a two-day conclave on the changing role of design and, on the importance of Educating Engineers to use design as a tool for that change, in trying to solve the Challenges ahead.
- SAEINDIA is Organizing this event in Collaboration with, IIT Madras, VIT University, GITAM (Deemed to be University), and R.M.K. Engineering College
- The Conclave will have plenary sessions with invited presentations from Industry Experts, Academics and R&D Organizations highlighting the basic issues which will form the basis of Brainstorming
- Summary Recommendations will be compiled and sent to appropriate authorities for follow up action.



## Target Participants:

- Executives from Industry involved in Development and Business Growth
- Engineers from R&D Organizations
- Senior Academics involved in Design Teaching and Student Projects
- Senior Professors involved in Curriculum planning and campus recruitment
- Authorities from Regulatory Organizations, and Accrediting Institutions
- HR Executives from Industry

## Program Schedule

19-Jan-2018

Day-1

9.30-11.00 - Inauguration

Invocation

Welcome Speech : Mr.K.Venkatraj, Dy. Director General, SAEINDIA, Chennai

About the Conclave : Prof.K.Chandrasekaran, Former Prof Anna Univ & Dean,  
RMK Engg College, Kavaraipeitai

Introduction of Guests : Prof.R.Gnanamoorthy, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Madras

Presidential Address : Dr. Bala Bharadvaj, MD, Boeing India Engineering &  
Technology Center, Bengaluru

Inaugural Address : Dr.P.Sivakumar, Director, CVRDE, DRDO, Govt. of India, Chennai

Keynote Address : Dr.Amaresh Chakrabarti, Sr.Professor & Chairman, CPDM, IISc Bengaluru

Vote of thanks : Dr. A Ratnakumar, Associate Professor, Dept. of Mechanical Engg., IIT Madras

National Anthem

11:00- 11.30 - High Tea

11.30 - 13.30 - Plenary Session I

"Skills and Capacities for Next Generation Designer - Industry Perspective"

Mr.K.R.Anandkumaran Nair, Executive Director(Retd.), Lucas-TVS Ltd., Chennai

Mr.V.S.Sridhar, Sr Vice President, Tata Communications Ltd., Chennai

Mr.Bhuvan Anandkrishnan, Director, Electrical, Electronics & Software Technologies,  
ITDD - Engineering, Caterpillar India, Chennai & Co- Chairman, NASSCOM GIC Council

Mr.Rajaram Venkataraman, CEO, Veltech's Technology Business Incubator, Chennai

Dr.L.Ramanan, Sr. Vice President, Sahajanand Medical Technologies Pvt. Ltd.,Surat

Panel Discussions

13.30-14.30 - Lunch

14.30 - 16.00 - Plenary Session II

"Design Thinking, Future of Design, and Design Education-Academic Perspective"

Dr. R.Gnanamoorthy, Professor, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Madras &

Founder Director, IIITDM Kanchepuram

Mr.Peer M.Sathikh, Associate Professor & Associate Chair (Academic),

School of Art, Design & Media, NTU, Singapore

Dr.Shankar Venugopal, Vice-President, Technology Innovation & KM, and

Dean, Mahindra Technical Academy, Chennai

Prof.Harit Santhanam, Professor of Practice, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Madras

16.00 - 16.30 - Panel discussion on base topic II

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9.30- 11.00 - Plenary Session III

"Practice Oriented Projects, Industry-Institute Cooperation and Start-up Culture"

Mr. B. Shankar, Partner, Infomine Software Solutions, Chennai

Dr.Savita Dawar, Senior Director, NIC, Govt. of India, New Delhi

Mr.G.Ramasubramanian, COO & Head of Delivery, Zafin, Chennai

Mr.K.E.Ragunathan, President, All India Manufacturers Organization &

Founder, D4E NETWORK INDIA PVT LTD

11.00 - 11.30 -Tea

11.30 - 13.00 - Panel discussion on base topic III

13.00 - 14.00 - Lunch

14.00 - 14.30 - MIT Video Presentation by Eppinger

14.30 - 15.30 - Summary presentation on main points from the 3 panel discussions

15.30 - 16.00 - Concluding session

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IC&SR Building

Near Gajendra Circle, Opposite to Admin Building,  
Indian Institute Of Technology, Chennai-600036

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Registration fee : **SAEINDIA Member : 2350/- | Non-SAEINDIA : 2950/- (All payment are inclusive of 18% Tax)**

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