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# Smart and Sustainable Cities in India: Why Investors should invest now?

# (In association with the Swiss Indian Chamber of Commerce)

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2020

SESSION: 06:00 PM - 07:30 PM (IST)

#### INTRODUCTION

Nishith Desai Associates as part of NDA cCep, along with Swiss Indian Chamber of Commerce and their client, 2000 Watt Smart City Association (2000WSCA), the extended arm of the Swiss government, authorized to represent and confer the international label 2000WattSite to townships, towns, cities and regions in India, cordially invites you to a join us for a fascinating discussion with Shri. Vikram Kumar, Metropolitan Commissioner, Pune Metropolitan Region Development Authority, founders of 2000Watt SmartCities and experts from the infrastructure, financial corporations and insurance sector. Mr. Devendra Fadnavis is likely to join the session.

This session is one of the many ways in which NDA is collaborating with their client, 2000WSCA and its investors to create awareness about the benefits of 2000Watt SmartCities offering its residents maximum quality and minimum resources consumption. 2000Watt SmartCities is of utmost importance to deliver India's commitments of COP21 Paris treaty while achieving the targets of sustainable growth. India being a rapidly developing nation is approaching to cross the per capita energy consumptions beyond the universal acceptable limits. 2000Watt SmartCities concept intends to regulate the development initiatives of Indian smart cities to make it environmentally, economically as well as socially sustainable.

The esteemed panelists will be discussing about benefits of satellite clusters, need for sector specific regional development, sustainable investments and investment in carbon neutral smart cities, co-relation between resilience and investment.

Join us as we discuss the possible modes of innovation in urban infrastructure, requirement of investment and what the future of the smart industries looks like. We are glad to have Swiss Indian Chamber of Commerce collaborate with us for the webinar.

#### FLOW OF THE SESSION

**Panel Discussion** 

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#### LOCATION (COUNTRY):

#### MUMBAI (India)

Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 18:00:00 IST UTC+5:30 hours

#### PALO ALTO (USA - California)

Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 05:30:00 PDT UTC-7 hours

#### **NEW YORK** (USA)

Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 08:30:00 EDT UTC-4 hours

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Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 20:30:00 SGT UTC+8 hours

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Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 13:30:00 BST UTC+1

#### TOKYO (Japan)

Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 21:30:00 JST UTC+9 hours

#### MUNICH (Germany)

Tuesday, 12 May 2020, 14:30:00 CEST UTC+2 hours

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**Event and Calendar** 

06:00 PM - 07:15 PM (IST):

#### **SPEAKERS**

#### HITESH VAIDYA, DIRECTOR- NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF URBAN AFFAIRS

Hitesh Vaidya is engaged by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India as a panel member to develop National Urban Policy Framework for India. He is currently the Director of National Institute of Urban Affairs.

#### VIKRAM KUMAR, PMRDA COMMISSIONER

Mr. Kumar is an IAS officer and the Metropolitan Commissioner of Pune Municipal Regional Development Authority. He was the former Chief Executive Officer at the Maharashtra Maritime Board.

#### NISHITH DESAI, FOUNDER- NISHITH DESAI ASSOCIATES

Nishith Desai is the Founder and Managing Partner of Nishith Desai Associates. He is a veteran lawyer with decades of experience extending across practice areas and industries.

#### ANDREAS BINKERT, PARTNER- NUESCH DEVELOPMENT

Andreas Binkert is an internationally renowned architect and developer based in Switzerland. He teaches at several universities with focus on sustainable urban design. He is the driving force behind 2000Watt SmartCities Initiative in Brazil, China and India.

#### JÜRGEN VOLM, PARTNER- DREES AND SOMMER

He is a Partner and Managing Director of Drees & Sommer Switzerland specialized in construction management, cradle 2 cradle consulting, infrastructure and risk management.

#### ALICIA MONTOYA, HEAD OF RESEARCH COMMERCIALISATION-SWISS RE

Ms. Montoya is a multicultural strategist and marketer with twenty years of experience in global B2B, B2C and public sector roles. She focusses on shaping intelligent city solutions.

#### PAYEL CHATTERJEE, LEADER- NISHITH DESAI ASSOCIATES

Payel is a Leader with the firm's International Dispute Resolution and Investigations Practice and also takes care of the European Practice.

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Legal500 Asia-Pacific: Tier 1 for Tax, Investment Funds, Labour & Employment and TMT 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012

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