



Can the G20 deliver? Priorities for a Post-Pandemic World

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Inaugural Session: G20 in a Post Pandemic World

3.00 pm - 4.00 pm Indian Standard Time

Moderator: Akshay Mathur, Director, ORF Mumbai and Head of ORF Geoeconomics Studies Programme

Speakers:

Keynote: Suresh Prabhu, India's G20 Sherpa

Special Address: Gabriela Ramos, Assistant Director General, UNESCO, former OECD G20 Sherpa

Special Address: Fahad M. Alturki, Vice President, King Abdullah Petroleum Studies and Research Centre, T20 Chair, Saudi Arabia

Special Address: Paolo Magri, Executive Vice President, Institute for International Political Studies, T20 Co-Chair, Italy

The panel will address the following questions:

- What is the role of the G20 in global economic governance today? How has it changed over the years?
- How can the G20 address the challenges faced by the global economy induced by the pandemic?
- What is the role of other international organizations in supporting G20's agenda? How can it be made more effective?

Panel 1: Pandemic, Polarisation and Exclusive Economics: Will the G20 Deliver?

4.00 pm – 5.00 pm Indian Standard Time

Moderator: Mihir S. Sharma, Senior Fellow and Head of Economy and Growth Programme, ORF

Speakers:

Klaus Milke, Chair, Foundations20 and Chairman, Foundation for Sustainability

Staci Warden, Executive Director, Global Market Development, Milken Institute, USA

Rohinton Medhora, President, Centre for International Governance Innovation, Canada

Claudia Schmucker, Director, Geoeconomics Program, German Council on Foreign Relations

The panel will address the following questions:

- What is the impact of the pandemic and political polarization on geoeconomics, globalization and global financial system?
- How can the G20 help ameliorate the deteriorating multilateral, regional and bilateral economic relationships?
- How can policymakers give confidence to global financial markets, spur cross-border trade and investments, and include business stakeholders in global economic governance?

Panel 2: Reflections: Lessons from G20 Presidencies

5.00 pm – 6.00 pm Indian Standard Time

Moderator: Mitali Mukherjee, Fellow, ORF

Speakers:

Rajat Kathuria, Chief Executive, Indian Council on Research on International Economic Relations

Ussal Sahbaz, CEO EDAM, former B20 and T20 Sherpa, Turkey

Stormy-Annika Mildner, Head, External Economic Policy, Federation of German Industries, B20 Sherpa Germany

Dennis Snower, former President Kiel Institute of World Economy, T20 Co-Chair Germany

The panel will address the following questions:

- How have the priorities of the presidencies evolved over the years?
- On which initiatives, agreements or ideas has the G20 has achieved success? What is the unfinished agenda?
- What are the institutional, administrative, and intellectual parameters to consider for developing an effective roadmap for chairing the G20?

Panel 3: From Indonesia to India - A Long View for G20

6.00 pm – 7.00 pm Indian Standard Time

Moderator: Akshay Mathur, Director, ORF Mumbai and Head of ORF Geoeconomics Studies Programme

Speakers:

Claude Lopez, Head of Research, Milken Institute, USA

James McGann, Senior Lecturer, International Studies, University of Pennsylvania

Feride Inan, Fellow, Turkey Economic Policy Research Foundation, former T20 Sherpa Turkey

Hossa Almutairi, Fellow, King Abdullah Petroleum Studies and Research Centre, T20 Sherpa Saudi Arabia

The panel will address the following questions:

- How can we develop a multi-year agenda for the G20?
- How can the G20 develop an effective multi-stakeholder approach for designing its agenda and workplan?
- How is the G20 like to change in coming years?

Valedictory Session: Rethinking Global Economic Governance

7.00 pm – 8.00 pm Indian Standard Time

Moderator: Annapurna Mitra, Fellow and Head of the Green Transitions Initiative, ORF

Speakers:

Amitabh Kant, CEO, National Institute for Transforming India, Govt. of India

Rahul Chhabra, Secretary, Economic Relations, Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India

Mridul Sagar, Executive Director, Reserve Bank of India

Ngair Woods, Dean, Oxford Dean of the Blavatnik School of Government, UK

The panel will address the following questions:

- What are the priorities for global economic governance today?
- What kind of institutions does the world need to address those priorities and how can they be established or strengthened?
- What are the defining characteristics of a nation's global economic leadership? What role can India play in global economic governance?