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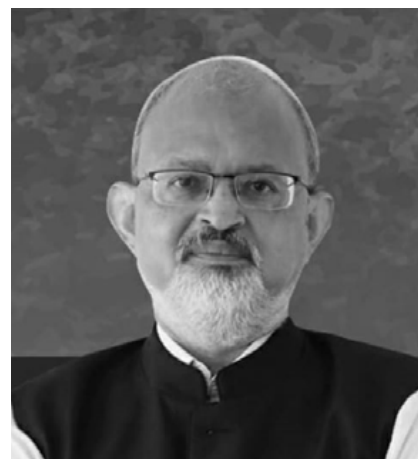


Messages

ORF Chairman Sunjoy Joshi and President Samir Saran tell us the story of ORF's past year: How important was ORF's work in a year of grave challenges for India and the world, most especially a global pandemic? What was ORF's biggest contributions to policymaking amidst such challenges? They look ahead too, and give us a view of the next 12 months of ORF.

Sunjoy Joshi

Chairman, Observer Research Foundation



2021-22 was the year that paranoia came to rule the world. Under its influence, not just foes and rivals would enter a spiral of increasing distrust, but even allies and partners found themselves coldly reappraising their relationships. A new conflict in the old continent, Chinese aggression in Asia, and a global pandemic created a “collision of crises” that now challenges the capacity of the very institutions created to respond to them.

While fears of a global recession loom large – the real concern is of something far more sinister than a mere economic downturn. It is that unknown haunting fear of a complete fragmentation of the world into different payment systems, different technology standards, and different rules.

In these times, it becomes more critical for think tanks such as the Observer Research Foundation to remain connected and engage with one another. The need to find common ground, critique policymaking, and help shape emerging responses, acquires a new centrality in our endeavours.

Indeed, the pandemic has taught us the importance of engaging more, rather than less, by adapting to a new virtual world. Through the worst days of Covid-19, we continued to host our flagship forums, such as the Raisina Dialogue, CyFy, the Kalpana Chawla Annual Space Policy Dialogue, and the Colaba Conversation. Beyond adapting to new formats and developing our own, we also learnt to rearrange the undergirding of the institution to keep our identity and integrity intact.

The new reality of the digital brought us to a new hybrid world. We discovered the amazing possibilities for wider participation that the moment afforded us. Even as we return to face-to-face interactions, our hybrid operations persist as the valuable connector that helps us cast a far wider net to reach out into diverse global communities effectively and efficiently.

Such were the forms, that helped our scholars succeed in widening and deepening our engagement and strengthening our key initiatives around global affairs, health, technology, gender, and the SDG imperative.

The teams at the Observer Research Foundation, and our international affiliate ORF America, put together a six-month programme at the Dubai Expo 2020. We hosted events at the Bled Strategic Forum and on the sidelines of the Munich Security Conference on 'Partnership for a Rules-Based Order in the Indo-Pacific' and 'Earth and Water: Intersecting Politics of Eurasia and the Indo-Pacific'.

These ran parallel to our efforts centred around India@75, under which initiative we partnered with the Nehru Centre, London on Republic Day 2022 to host 'India@75: Aspirations, Ambitions, and Approaches'. The result was a series of essays capturing the ideas and ethics that drive contemporary Indian diplomacy, analysing how India engages with the world.

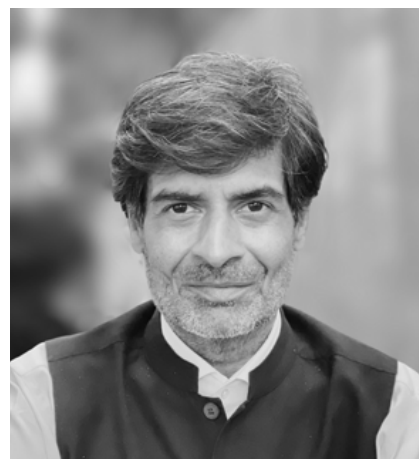
Between 2021 and 2022, we published nearly 2,000 short-form pieces and 300 long-form research papers. We strengthened and expanded the ORF alumni network to over 1,600 young leaders in 119 countries.

We were all made keenly aware that an organisation's human resource was its life-blood. It was in the most trying times that our entire team moved beyond the routine and delivered by furthering not only their own progress but that of the institution—a reflection of ORF's credibility and capacity. We will continue to expand our team and invest in nurturing and upskilling our existing talent pool.

ORF, in the last two-and-a-half years, has reinforced its commitment to being a people-first institution and we will continue to privilege this aspect of the organisation in the days ahead. Embracing the challenges brought about by the pandemic, we will continue to care and shape new spaces to create an environment conducive to research, analysis, and learning. I would like to convey my best wishes to the ORF community on this Foundation Day, and look forward to another fruitful year together.

Samir Saran

President, Observer Research Foundation



One story consumed us in 2021, and that was the pandemic. We exerted our energies in understanding COVID-19 and the devastation it had caused populations across the country and the world. We also chronicled resilience, as we told stories about human enterprise and determination in vaccinating as many people as possible and lifting the spirit of the millions impacted by the more cruel second and third waves. As governments, corporations, and individuals tried to cope, ORF focused on renewing itself and doubling down on ensuring that we comprehensively identified and assessed plausible responses and exit strategies for this extraordinary moment.

Even as the virus journeyed through landscapes and communities, ORF worked to track, on real time, India's effort to vaccinate every adult. We not only gave early analyses of what required rectification, but also highlighted the gaps that needed urgent attention. But more than the logistics of the effort, it was the courage and spirit of our communities that we set our eyes on. The year gone by saw our twin efforts of engaging with a dark landscape, and re-building a community by illuminating pathways that would allow us to achieve the impossible.

Indeed, in times of crises, being critical observers is sometimes not enough. These trying times require think tanks to view ourselves as 'mood makers', or at the very least, to attempt to add verve to the cause and momentum of a 'whole of society' effort such as what was required in the pandemic.

Words matter, but institutions matter more. We at ORF might delight in our ability to dispense thorough and critical appraisals. But we take greater pride in being part of a constructive cohort that allowed sunlight in; to dispel the virulent clouds from 2021. Of particular importance for us was to ensure that the despair in the cities did not crowd out the underserved and underreported. By including the rural villages, the women, and children in its analyses, ORF sought to offer valuable insights on managing our shared, multifaceted battle.

A prime example was *The First Responders*, our joint publication with Reliance Foundation that told the stories of twenty-five Indian women who led their communities through the challenges of the pandemic. As an institution that firmly believes communities are the new cavalry, our publication aimed to highlight these women's exemplary work and promote efforts to invest in their leadership at every level of governance.

Even as we were all looking inwards, preoccupied with the here and now, ORF did not flinch in our enduring mission of connecting India to the world. We launched our maiden Foreign Policy Survey—*Young India and The World*—that endeavoured to understand the opinions and views of the country's youth on some of the most important questions that confronted them. The survey found an optimistic assessment of India's foreign policy and an agreement with many of the government's policy interventions and external engagements. It also provided a window to the hopes and optimism of the next generation, something often lost in the everyday din that defines our age. The survey—administered during the pandemic—will now be released annually. We hope it becomes a key barometer for both evaluating India's foreign policy, and contributing to its making.

As the earliest mover in the technology policy and cyber security space, ORF also launched this year its tech survey—*Swiping Right on Tech Policy*—to better understand how young India engages with technology and relates to issues pertaining to entrepreneurship, privacy, security, and other aspects of our fast-digitalising world. We published a first-of-its-kind consolidated chronicle of business compliances that hinder our economic potential—a deep dive into the imprisonment clauses that plague India's business regulatory framework. Titled *Jailed for Doing Business*, the report offered recommendations that could help policymakers reimagine the regime of Indian enterprise.

In other publications, we detailed a roadmap for India's net-zero pledge by 2070. Along with partner institutions, our collaborative green transitions initiative sought to position the country at the epicentre of a newer, greener economy. These were but a few of our exemplary research efforts in the past year.

We at ORF will continue to place a premium not only on the subject of engagement, but also its form, format, and participation. We remain committed to engaging with the issues that confront the world today as a non-partisan, ideas-led, research-based, and inclusive organisation. As we look ahead, and look afresh, I must thank the members of our board, our untiring, youthful, and talented Team ORF, and our partners and stakeholders for their effort, commitment, and support throughout this year.

Tomorrow beckons; we will carry the learnings of the past 12 months with us as we embrace it.

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Research

ORF is committed to conducting research that seeks creative and plausible policy solutions for the political, economic, environmental, and sociocultural challenges facing India and the global community. Our programmes and initiatives aim to transcend the traditional boundaries of academic disciplines and to set pioneering research agendas that can help pave the way for sound policymaking.

CENTRE FOR ECONOMY AND GROWTH

MISSION STATEMENT

Three major shifts will play out rapidly during the 2020s: The transition from villages to cities, the transition to low-carbon modes of production and consumption, and the transition to an increasingly digital world. The effects of these will be felt by all economic actors: businesses markets and finance, as well as workers, consumers, and communities. To attain India's goal of becoming a US\$10-trillion economy by the end of the decade, these shifts will have to be harnessed effectively. The Centre for Economy and Growth conducts research, produces commentary, and provides platforms along five major verticals—Urban Futures, the Green Transition, the New Social Contract, Energy and Resource Security, and Political Economy and Reform. The Centre deliberates on, and promotes policies that seek to reconcile India's political and development aspirations with the imperative of sustainable and inclusive economic growth.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

Over the past year, the Centre for Economy and Growth has focused its efforts on analysing post-pandemic recovery and its impact on sustainable economic development. It has focused extensively on how different pools of finance can be brought to bear, to ensure that India can achieve its ambitious climate targets while ensuring prosperity for all. The Centre has published two flagship reports, aimed at identifying feasible pathways for India to become a carbon neutral economy by 2070. Green industrial policy is another area of research where the Centre assessed the historical effectiveness of industrial policy in India and how it will need to evolve, given the shift towards a green economy. The Centre also continued its broader work on ensuring inclusivity in India's transition to a green economy.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Going forward, the Centre for Economy and Growth intends to sharpen its focus on the design of a sustainable recovery. We take the optimistic view that the emergence from the pandemic provides a unique opportunity for a sustainable and inclusive redesign of multiple economic and geo-economic systems—from the flows of international finance to energy sources, urban mobility, and resilient supply chains. These are all in flux thanks to the pandemic, and the Centre’s research will focus on the institutional and other changes necessary in order to ensure that the new post-pandemic order is supportive of the aspirations of India and other liberal democracies in the emerging world. We also intend to examine India’s position as a global leader going into COP27 and inform India’s agenda for its upcoming presidency of the G20 in 2023. Furthermore, we want to better utilise our platforms to bring to the fore voices of those communities and geographies which are most affected by climate change, but often overlooked while framing policies; we see this as a key requirement to ensure an inclusive green transition.

EVENTS

DATE: October 10–14, 2021

NAME: India–Germany–EU Dialogue 2021

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, along with Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS), organised a high-level delegation visit to Berlin, Brussels, and Geneva. The in-person delegation, post-pandemic, had become essential to facilitate a series of discussions and meetings between prominent Indian and European policymakers. The aim was to refresh the subject of green multilateralism.

DATE: October 2021

NAME: The Road to Glasgow

DESCRIPTION:


ORF, with the Nehru Centre, London, hosted a three-part series on the UK–India partnership leading up to COP26 and beyond. The discussions focused on greening the recovery, co-financing the green transition, and creating an India–UK research ecosystem. The event

saw participation from high level speakers such as James Sangma (Cabinet Minister, Forest



& Environment and Power, Government of Meghalaya), Jayant Sinha (Member of Parliament, Government of India), and Nick Robins (Professor in Practice, Sustainable Finance, Grantham Institute), among others.

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-  [Greening the Recovery](#)
-  [Co-Financing the Green Transition](#)
-  [Creating an India-UK Research Ecosystem](#)

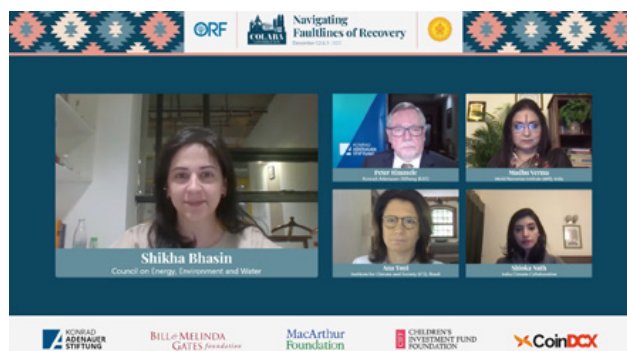
DATE: December 1, 2021

NAME: Targeting a Trillion-Dollar Green Economy for India (Colaba Conversation 2021)

DESCRIPTION:

This session was hosted as part of the Colaba Conversation 2021, ORF Mumbai's flagship conference. It assessed the constituents of a green economy that India should pursue and

how this can be planned to align with other national objectives and international obligations.



SPEAKERS:

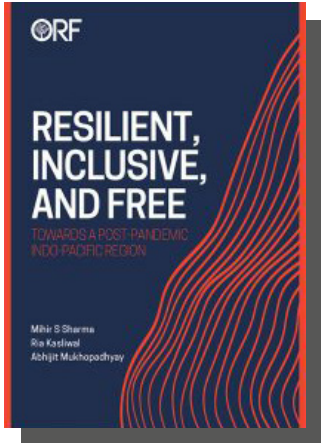
- Peter Rimmele, Resident Representative to India, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS)
- Madhu Verma, Chief Economist, World Resources Institute, India
- Ana Toni, Executive Director, Institute for Climate and Society (ICS), Brazil
- Shloka Nath, Acting CEO, India Climate Collaborative; Head, Sustainability and Policy and Advocacy, Tata Trusts, India

MODERATOR:

Shikha Bhasin, Senior Programme Lead, Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW), India

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CENTRE FOR NEW ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

MISSION STATEMENT

With its initial mandate to delineate economic diplomacy in a changing world, the Centre for New Economic Diplomacy (CNED) has attempted to craft a new approach towards post-pandemic recovery and resilience, with a vision towards curving new development pathways for the global south. The Centre has, therefore, attempted to build transnational partnerships, and strengthen multi-stakeholder responses to the challenges confronting the global community. It has primarily focused on geographies like South Asia, ASEAN, BIMSTEC, and Africa where development challenges emerge in various forms: Either in the garb of 'development deficit' or in the forms of environmental degradation and social costs of growth. India's development co-operation, technology, climate change, health, food, and nutrition etc. are some of the major domains of intervention of the Centre. Gender equity being a critical developmental concern, CNED has built-in gender as a cross-cutting driver across its various verticals.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

CNED scholars and the extended research community produced 70 long-form papers and 510 short-form pieces under the four core areas of CNED research, along with 29 digital discussions and webinars. These publications and knowledge products have helped the Centre lay the foundations for the emergence of new economic diplomacy for India—one that appreciates the fact that India's aspirations for partnerships necessitate a recalibration of its engagement with Asia, Africa, and the Indo-Pacific. They have also helped CNED expand its development network and community by engaging traditional and non-traditional stakeholders on issues that are critical to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and creating an inclusive, rules-based, and diverse global architecture.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Creation of resilient economic systems through a holistic development paradigm remains at the core of the Centre's vision. Post-pandemic economic resilience, green recovery, and working towards SDGs will guide the Centre's future work. While the Centre plans to remain committed to its already existing domains, it also plans to respond to the needs of the time. Therefore, keeping in mind India's upcoming G20 Presidency, the Centre plans to publish research papers and convene dialogues and panels on some of the potential priority areas of the G20. It further plans to engage in critical analysis of Regional Trade Agreements and Free Trade Agreements of India, the economic crises in South Asian nations, trilateral development co-operation entailing India, UK, and third nations, women's financial inclusion, climate change and development priorities of the Global South, food and nutritional security, and global health.

EVENTS

DATE: October 2021

NAME: 5th Annual Roundtable Consultation- Addressing India's Air Pollution Challenge

DESCRIPTION:

Against the background of air pollution in Northern India, these roundtable consultations, initiated by Shashi Tharoor, Member of

Parliament and Board Member, AirQualityAsia, is an annual gathering of elected representatives, air quality experts, civil society stakeholders, and industry leaders that seek to develop solutions to mitigate India's crisis of poor air quality. The conversations saw participation from high-level speakers such as Nitin Gadkari (Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Government of India), Jayant Sinha (Member of Parliament, Government of India), and Amar Patnaik (Member of Parliament, Government of India).



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DATE: April 2021–March 2022

NAME: CNED Development Dialogues

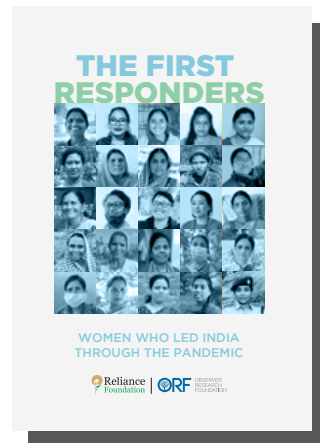
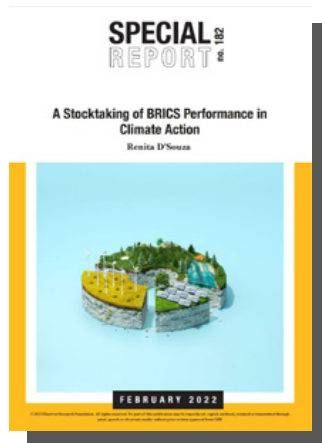
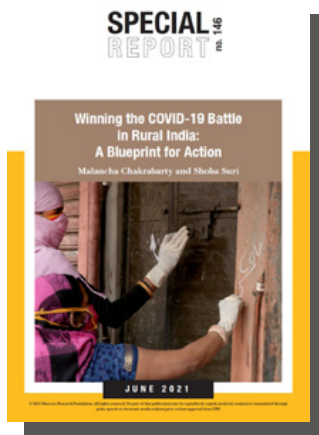
DESCRIPTION:

The CNED Development Dialogues engage African, South, and Southeast Asian scholars, business leaders, policymakers, and social entrepreneurs for a deeper understanding of the common challenges faced by the developing world.

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INCLUSIVE GROWTH AND SDGs

MISSION STATEMENT

How do we emerge as the generation to end extreme poverty, combat the climate challenge, create a more egalitarian society through distributive justice, and ensure green recovery? How do we create systemic resilience to combat exogenous and endogenous shocks on the human social-ecological-economic systems exerted by pressure points like climate change and the global pandemic? What are the social and environmental externalities posed by the present development pathways? What are the alternate pathways than the business-as-usual? The motivation of the Inclusive Growth and SDGs programme lies in responding to these overarching questions. In the process, the programme attempts to recast the development paradigm by creating a trans-disciplinary framework that helps in assessing both the costs and the benefits of different development pathways to provide an objective basis for development policy decisions. The programme conducts research and convenes events to address complex problems at the interface of environment, development, society, economy, culture, health, and education, among others. The programme builds on the concerns of equity and distributive justice in its attempt to achieve its avowed mandate of making growth inclusive.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

The programme has so far intervened in the domains of environment and development; blue economy; water governance and hydro politics; food and nutritional security; development cooperation; energy security; and gender. Given the pandemic, the last two years' endeavours also focused on the impact on SDGs and green recovery. The scholars have worked on various domains by publishing papers on water conflicts and governance, the structural vulnerabilities and SDGs in the BIMSTEC region, the critical interface of economy, ecology, and security in the Indo-Pacific, natural resource governance, health, food security, developmental implications of

commodity derivatives markets, and a new development paradigm for the Global South for post-pandemic economic recovery.

ORF conducted research in the blue economy domain through international collaborations with Australian institutions, and the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, under the framework of the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI) of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Government of Australia. Further, for the first time, a health systems resilience index was released to measure how each of India's states and union territories fared in their response to COVID-19.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Green Recovery and Green Transition remain critical domains of interventions for the ongoing year. There are six planned interventions in the future. The first is related to the blue economy. The programme intends to delve deeper into the challenges of the blue economy, especially in the Bay of Bengal, looking at the various opportunities, threats, and governance and institutional challenges. The second entails a systematic analysis of the free trade agreements (FTA) and their developmental implications on the commodity value chain. This becomes crucial with India's ongoing plans of signing a host of FTAs with various nations. The third is intervening in the domain of education. The fourth is the domain of development finance, especially green infrastructure, and using ecological economic valuation methods for strategic impact analysis of projects. The fifth is with health and nutrition, by bringing in arguments provided by the economic literature and the analytical tools provided by mathematical economics, econometrics, and statistics. The sixth is with understanding the interactive interface of human security, development and livelihoods, and climate change. This domain is less understood and less explored in the Global South, and especially in South Asia, and the programme intends to bridge that chasm through its future endeavours.

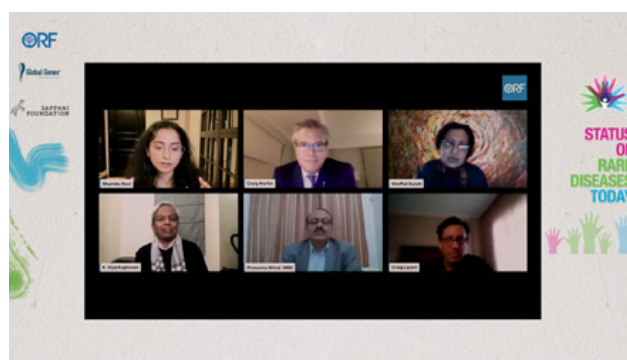
EVENTS

DATE: February 28, 2022

NAME: The Status of Rare Diseases in India Today

DESCRIPTION:

This event was organised in partnership with



Global Genes and the Sappani Foundation. The panel engaged in a broad discussion and took stock of the state of rare diseases as well as the one year of the formulation of the Rare Disease Policy in India.

SPEAKERS

- Prasanna Shirol, Co-Founder and Executive Director Organisation for Rare Disease India
- Sheffali Gulati, Chief, Child Neurology Division, Department of Paediatrics AIIMS New Delhi
- K. Vijay Raghavan, Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India
- Craig Martin, CEO, Global Genes, US
- Craig Lipset, Co-Chair, Decentralised Trials and Research Alliance (DTRA), US

MODERATOR

Shamika Ravi, Vice President, ORF

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DATE: November 9-10, 2021

NAME: Strategic High Tide in the Indo-Pacific: Economics, Ecology and Security

DESCRIPTION:

Organised in collaboration with the Government of Japan, this two-day international conference covered three broad topics: Geopolitics and Security, Commerce and Connectivity, and Environmental Concerns and Engagements. The conversations saw participation from high-level speakers such as Vishvas V Sapkal (Joint Secretary (Indo-Pacific and South), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India), Yutaka Nakamura (Consul-General, Consulate General of Japan in Kolkata), and Rowan Ainsworth (Consul General, Consulate General of Australia in Kolkata).

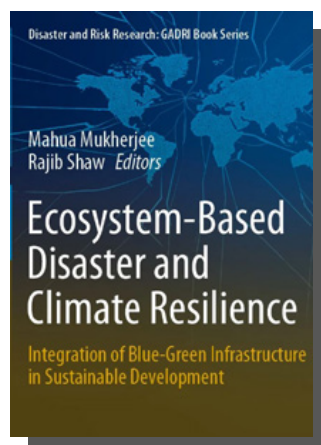


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STRATEGIC STUDIES PROGRAMME

MISSION STATEMENT

ORF's Strategic Studies Programme seeks to shape India's foreign policy and national security choices by deepening understanding and identifying policy interventions in contemporary Indian and global debates. The programme offers original analysis—a mix of theoretical, historical, and practical perspectives—through extensive academic research, interdisciplinary studies, data-driven analysis, and engagement with experts and policymakers. The programme's outreach activities, in the form of seminars and roundtables as well as collaborations with ORF's growing network of worldwide partners, serve to enhance and frame the growing public debate, domestically and around the world, on India's power and its purpose.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

In a world clouded with uncertainty and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic still palpable, the researchers of the Strategic Studies Programme continued to engage with a range of national and global stakeholders on key themes: The state of global (dis)order post-COVID-19; institutional infirmities and normative shifts; increasing great power contestation; emergence of middle powers; evolving strategic contours in the Indo-Pacific, Eurasia, and Africa; maritime challenges and opportunities in and around South Asia; trends in India's neighbourhood; Indian foreign and national security policies; and the changing nature of warfare. The programme made important interventions in all the above-mentioned areas by producing academic research, policy studies, and through extensive outreach engagements.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Today, India is unmistakably global as it anchors itself as a regional and global stakeholder. A fragmented world and the advent of new challenges call for a contemporary understanding of power transitions, key geographies, global institutions, and security threats—critical to informing choices for an evolving and emergent India.

In 2022-23, the Strategic Studies Programme will continue to track regional and global developments and trends that implicate India's capacities and options, now and in the future. Some key areas of focus include the following: A continuing global power transition mandates greater scrutiny of the US-China rivalry and its impact on the Indian pursuit of its interests. Rediscovered geographies will likewise continue to be a key and expanding focus area, whether the broad Indo-Pacific and Eurasian spaces or sub-regions in India's immediate and extended neighbourhood. The programme will also delve into evolving traditional and non-traditional threats to India's national security amidst the changing nature of competition and warfare.

Our future research agenda aims to be forward-looking. India's role and responsibilities in the world will continue to derive from an understanding of the changes in the traditional global architecture as well as its own growing capacities.

EVENTS

DATE: August 19, 2021

NAME: Taiwan, India, and the Indo-Pacific Order: Current Trends and Future Possibilities

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, in partnership with Taiwan Asia Exchange Foundation, convened a dialogue to explore different aspects of cooperation between India and Taiwan within the geopolitical and geo-economic framework of the Indo-Pacific. Highlighting the importance of India-Taiwan relations, the experts and policymakers discussed the way forward for the relations vis-à-vis the opportunities and challenges of the Indo-Pacific region.



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DATE: December 9, 2021

NAME: Japan-India Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific Region from a Geo-Economic Perspective: Institutionalisation Matters

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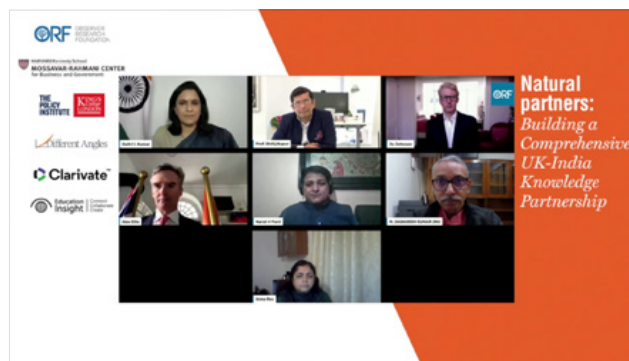
This JFIR-ORF Symposium examined the 'role' to be taken by India and Japan—individually or collectively—for the possible institutionalisation of Indo-Pacific multilateralism. The first session focused on the security-defence institutionalisation. The second session examined the role of India and Japan in the Indo-Pacific economic institutions.

DATE: January 21, 2022

NAME: Building a Comprehensive India-UK Knowledge Partnership

DESCRIPTION:

ORF launched a report by Jo Johnson, Senior Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School and Presidential Professorial Fellow, King's College London, that proposed a number of reforms to bolster the competitiveness and long-term sustainability of the UK's position in international education. The launch saw the participation of the Indian High Commissioner to the UK and the British High Commissioner to India.



SPEAKERS:

- Jo Johnson, Senior Fellow Harvard Kennedy School; Presidential Professorial Fellow, King's College London
- H.E. Gaitri Issar Kumar, Indian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom
- H. E. Alex Ellis, British High Commissioner to India
- Shitij Kapur, President, King's College London
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- Anna Roy, Senior Advisor, NITI Aayog

MODERATOR:

Harsh V. Pant, Director, Studies and Head, Strategic Studies, ORF

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DATE: January 27, 2022

NAME: The French Presidency: EU-India Partnership in the Indo-Pacific

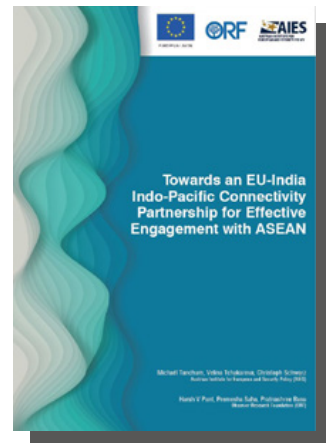
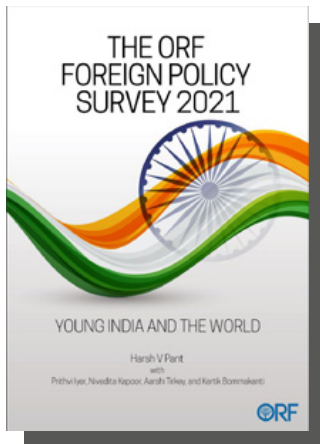
DESCRIPTION:

This event brought together H.E. Dr. S. Jaishankar (Minister of External Affairs, India), and H.E. Mr. Jean-Yves Le Drian (Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, France) to discuss the EU-India partnership in the Indo-Pacific, with France taking up the EU Presidency.

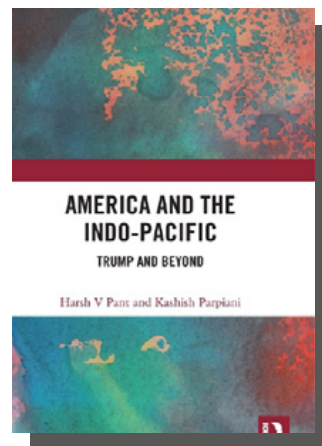
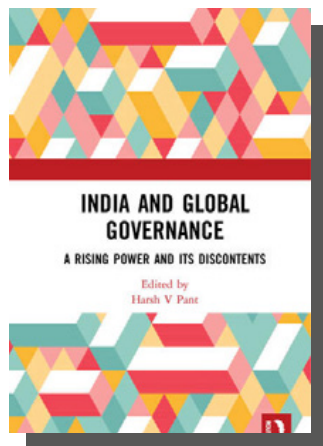


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CENTRE FOR SECURITY, STRATEGY AND TECHNOLOGY

MISSION STATEMENT

Technology and international security are tightly enmeshed. International security competition accelerates technological competition, and technological developments can both aid and hinder international security and stability. This is clearly visible today, as the intensifying international competition enters both critical and emerging technologies and drives new technological developments. As one of the emerging powers in the Indo-Pacific region, India is at the edge of this technology-geopolitics dynamics. In order to secure India's interests and maximise its benefits, there is a need to embed technology within national and international security discussions, understanding their symbiotic relationship. The Centre for Security, Strategy, and Technology (CSST) aims to build a space to foster global conversations and new ideas on the impact of technology on national and international security and its implications for India, the Indo-Pacific, and the global order. CSST strives to cultivate robust, multi-disciplinary research and scholarship in these domains and to partner with governments, academia, think tanks, and policy communities in order to create a multi-stakeholder base that is invested in our common tech futures.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

As geopolitics and international relations become increasingly entangled with the rise of emerging and critical technologies, the need to engage with conversations and challenges associated with these technologies is increasingly important. Over the past year, CSST has worked to engage with new arenas of geopolitics and technologies, including intersections with space, nuclear, cyber, and supply chains. The Centre continues to engage and expand its partnerships through research publications, conferences, workshops, and webinars.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

The Centre, through research, collaboration, public events, and workshops, intends to amplify discussions at a national and international level on nuclear, space, and emerging technologies including Artificial Intelligence, Quantum, cyber, and drones. In furthering one of the key tenets of CSST's vision to inform and amplify Indian perspectives through dialogue with established and emerging voices in the fields of emerging and critical technologies; critical supply chains; cyber security and the weaponisation of technology; future of the final frontier; and nuclear security and the non-proliferation regime, we have a series of exciting publications and dialogues in the coming year. Some of the key themes for the Centre in the coming year also include: Tech cooperation in the Indo-Pacific including an accelerated Quad engagement, Future of warfare, Global Nuclear Security Governance, Digital Public Goods, and Quantum and AI.

EVENTS

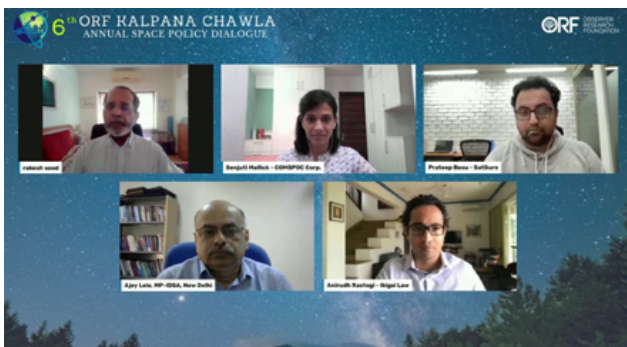
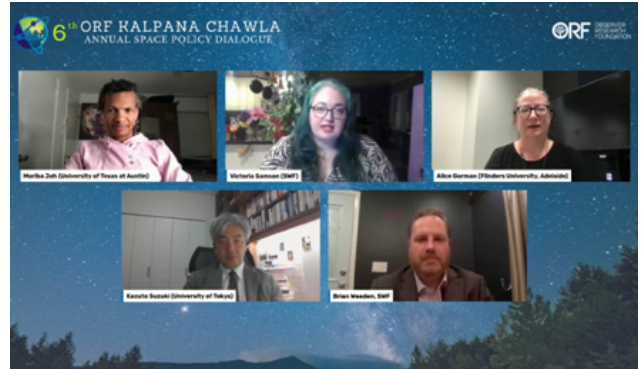
DATE: November 17-19, 2021

NAME: Kalpana Chawla Annual Space Policy Dialogue

DESCRIPTION:

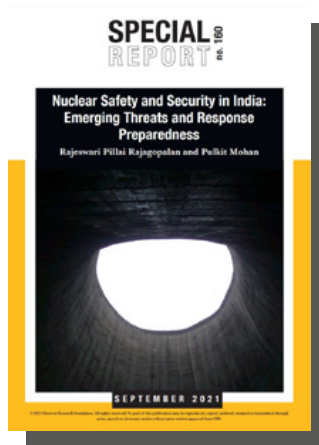
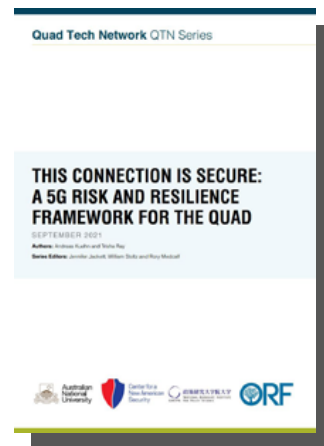
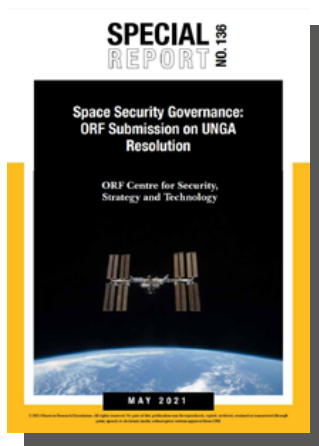
Kalpana Chawla Annual Space Policy Dialogue brought together policymakers, technocrats, scientific bureaucracy, entrepreneurs, academia, and think tanks to discuss the disruptive trends from the current state of space activities. This platform has remained a unique one in advocating the need for a national space policy for India to promote entrepreneurship and innovation in security, civil, and commercial space applications. Through an engaging dialogue on various themes and networking opportunities, participants discovered new ideas from across traditional and non-traditional space actors. The conversations saw participation from high-level speakers such as VK Saraswat (Member, NITI Aayog & Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University), B N Suresh (Indian Aerospace Scientist, ISRO), Francis Chizea (Director General, Nigerian Space Agency), and Aidan Liddle (UK Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva).

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(Clockwise from top left): Inaugural Address; Panel on “Crowded Outer Space: Challenges Of Mega Constellations and Space Junk”; Panel on “India’s Space Policy: Looking Back, Looking Ahead”; Panel on “Emerging Actors in Space”

KEY PUBLICATIONS



URBAN POLICY INITIATIVE

MISSION STATEMENT

More than half of the world's population—55 percent—lives in cities. By 2050, that figure is predicted to jump to 68 percent. Only a handful of countries will propel this growth. India, China in Asia, and Nigeria in Africa are expected to lead the global urbanisation bandwagon, contributing 35 percent of the rural to urban transition between 2018 and 2050. With the built urban form witnessing increasing intensity and frequency of adverse climate events, cities—which emerged as the formidable first responders to the COVID-19 pandemic—will have to play a central role in the global response to climate change. As urbanisation gathers pace, cities will have to transform how they are planned, governed, and financed; and absorb the disruptive shocks of digitalisation and the transition to low-carbon modes of civic services, production, and consumption. The initiative conducts research, produces commentary, and provides platforms to understand the changing nature of urban issues, ecosystems, processes, and challenges. It aims to promote meaningful debate on urban matters to crystallise opinion and inform policy.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

The initial months of FY 2021-22 exposed the dire vulnerabilities of urban India, as the pandemic's fierce second wave left a tale of death and despair in its wake. In these trying times, the research examined how urban India could manage the unprecedented crises with better health infrastructure. At the same time, it also dealt with how urban India must learn from its experience to create sustainable, liveable, and environmentally-friendly cities by keeping inclusion and equity at the core of not just immediate pandemic intervention but also of all future urban solutions. Therefore, the initiative focused on how cities across the world need to acquire renewed, adaptive, participatory, and holistic approaches to reset long-held paradigms, overcome present challenges, and build future resilience.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

The Urban Policy Initiative will sharpen its focus on the challenges of urbanisation as metropolises worldwide embark on the path of sustainable recovery. The post-pandemic world provides a unique opportunity for cities to reset and reengineer institutional processes and mechanisms. We intend to intensify our efforts in analysing resilient post-pandemic urban recovery. The initiative will inform this process by curating national and international platforms for cross-learning and through evidence-based knowledge products promoting sustainable, liveable, resilient, climate-friendly, and equal opportunity cities.

EVENTS

DATE: April 6, 2021

NAME: Envisioning the Post-Pandemic Metropolis: Perspectives and Learning From Mumbai and Tel Aviv

DESCRIPTION:

As the world entered the second year of the pandemic and as vaccinations brought about a new stage in dealing with it, ORF and the Interdisciplinary Centre (IDC) Herzliya, Israel co-hosted a virtual global conference on how Mumbai and Tel Aviv responded to the crises, implemented new action plans, moved away from traditional tools, and built a post-pandemic world. Driven by four themes of technology, socio-economic inclusion, built environment, and climate emergency, the discussions explored how post-pandemic metropolises are planning better and creating more resilient and sustainable communities. Prominent speakers included RA Rajeev (Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA), Dalit Zilber (General Manager, Israel Planning Administration), Col. Ariel Blitz (Home Front Command, Israel Defense Forces) and Dr. Sameer Unhale (Joint Commissioner, Directorate of Municipal Administration, Maharashtra).

DATE: July 31, 2021

NAME: Turning the Tide: Is Mumbai Ready for the Next Wave?

DESCRIPTION:

This conversation was set in the backdrop of Mumbai's continuing tryst with the pandemic, the possibility of a third wave, and the preparedness of the city to respond to it. It sought to uncover the lessons learnt from the last wave, the systems and innovations put into place, and the potential vulnerabilities that need attention to prepare for the next viral spread.

SPEAKER:

Aaditya Thackeray, Minister for Tourism, Environment & Protocol, Government of Maharashtra

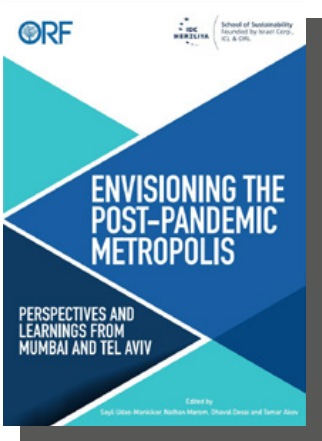
MODERATOR:

Sayli Udas-Mankikar, Senior Fellow, ORF India

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NEIGHBOURHOOD STUDIES

MISSION STATEMENT

In the ever-dynamic world of international relations, geography is one factor that remains unaltered. Consequently, a vital aspect of a country's foreign policy is cultivating its neighbourhood. India's 'Neighbourhood First Policy' accords salience to understanding and engaging in the economic, diplomatic, political, and security imperatives that are unfolding in the region. As economic challenges loom large in many of these neighbouring countries and security concerns are amplified by the continuing COVID-19 crisis, India's neighbourhood is in flux. Taking the cue, the Neighbourhood Studies Initiative at ORF is dedicated to analysing emerging trends in India's immediate neighbourhood and offering policy prescriptions that advance its national interests as well as benefit the region. Specifically, the countries taken into consideration are Afghanistan, Pakistan, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, and Thailand. Maritime studies, such as those focused on the Bay of Bengal, are also an integral part of the study as are relevant multilateral institutions such as the BIMSTEC.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

Over the past year, the Neighbourhood Studies programme has deliberated on crucial developments that have characterised the region. Seminal occurrences such as the Taliban takeover of power in Afghanistan, the coup in Myanmar, and the phenomena of vaccine diplomacy that has come to influence bilateral relations, have been covered in long forms. Enduring considerations such as security cooperation, strategic significance of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, developments in India's North East through bilateral cooperation, and strengthening multimodal connectivity have also been core themes of research. In the same strand, a key area of study has been BIMSTEC, as India seeks to cultivate this platform in accordance with its Act East Policy.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

The future focus of the Neighbourhood Studies Initiative will be on the grave economic and security challenges which have engulfed the subcontinent. With the recent economic meltdown in Sri Lanka, the impending collapse of the Pakistan economy, significant economic headwinds in Nepal, and the Rohingya issue prevailing in Myanmar, the programme will examine the potential fallout of these developments on India's security and strategic environment and policies to mitigate them. Human security particularly will be an area of focus.

The scholars will also explore possibilities of collaborative projects between India and other neighbouring countries, such as efforts to develop India's North East through cooperation with Bangladesh, Nepal, and Bhutan. Utilising the strategic potential of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands through collaboration will also be an area of emphasis. The objective is to build upon the convergences and discuss some dissonance in India's relationship with these countries. Enhancing trade and connectivity in the neighbourhood through land as well as maritime means will be the cornerstone of research. Focus shall also be on what else BIMSTEC can bring about, especially in partnership with other regional organisations.

EVENTS

DATE: August 27, 2021

NAME: Digital Inclusion and Transformation in South Asia

DESCRIPTION:

The event was conducted in collaboration with Colombo Initiative and Sappani Foundation, and assessed the impacts of digital technologies on governments, industries, and social resilience in India and Sri Lanka, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SPEAKERS:

- Namal Rajapaksa, Former Minister of Digital Technology and Enterprise Development and former Minister of Youth and Sports, Sri Lanka
- Anna Roy, Senior Advisor, NITI Aayog, India



- Mahinda B. Herath, CEO, Information and Communication Technology Agency, Sri Lanka
- Deena Jacob, Co-founder and CFO, Open India
- Jayomi Lokuliyana, Co-founder/CEO of zMessenger and DigitalX; Founder MyMed International Chairperson of Women's Chamber for Digital Sri Lanka

MODERATOR:

Nisha Holla, Visiting Fellow, ORF India

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DATE: October 8, 2021

NAME: Afghanistan and the Regional (Dis)order

DESCRIPTION:

This discussion focused on the security, political, economic, diplomatic, and non-traditional challenges of the region after the resurgence of the Taliban. The discussion brought together expert voices from Tajikistan, Pakistan, Russia, Iran, and Afghanistan to discuss the situation in Afghanistan and to deliberate on how the situation is likely to evolve and be countered by these countries.



SPEAKERS:

- Anahita Saymidinova, Journalist
- Madiha Afzal, Foreign Policy Fellow, Brookings Institution
- Mohsen Shariatinia, Assistant Professor, Shahid Beheshti University
- Vladimir Sotnikov, Senior Researcher, IMEMO Center for International Security
- Ashraf Haidiri, Ambassador of Afghanistan to Sri Lanka

MODERATOR:

Sushant Sareen, Senior Fellow, ORF

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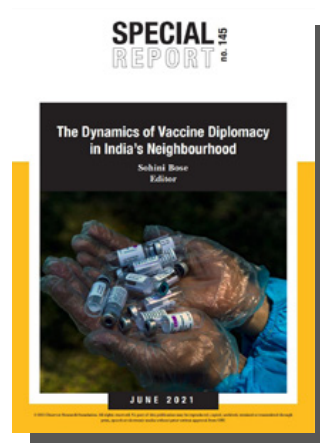
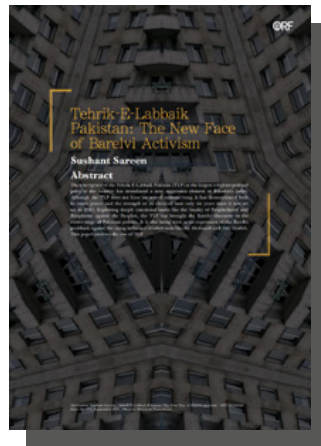
DATE: March 29, 2022

NAME: BIMSTEC Summit 2022: Conversations

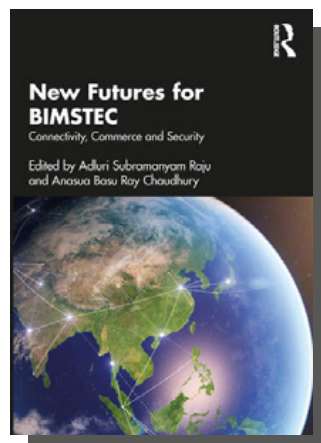
DESCRIPTION:

As the Bay of Bengal returns to the limelight of strategic attention, its littoral countries are keen to build a more collaborative future. A natural platform to reinforce these ties is BIMSTEC which, at its 5th Summit Meeting on March 30, 2022, rationalised its sectors of cooperation and adopted a Charter for the first time in 25 years of its existence. Keeping the significance of this event in mind, eight video conversations were curated, each dedicatedly covering key issues in one of the seven BIMSTEC member countries and the BIMSTEC Secretariat itself. This was compiled into a two-hour-long web series. The event saw participation from several high level speakers from the BIMSTEC countries.

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GEOECONOMICS

MISSION STATEMENT

The Geoeconomics programme at ORF focuses on the study of India's economic, business, financial, and trading relationship with the world. In particular, it focuses on four themes: Economic multilateralism, business and geopolitics, global trading system, and international financial architecture.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

The ORF Geoeconomics programme has focused on India's role at the WTO, G20, and BRICS, the changing narratives of international trade, and implications for India in the emerging geoeconomics of the Indo-Pacific. In the run-up to India's G20 Presidency, the programme focussed on identifying the core agenda in the Sherpa and Finance Tracks. It aimed at understanding current trends and areas of international concern for the international finance architecture, global macroeconomic environment, sustainable finance, digital economy, and trade. Moreover, the programme sought to explore areas of cooperation with other G20 members through a series of high-level roundtables, policy memos, and briefs.

For BRICS, the Geoeconomics programme actively hosted the BRICS Think Tank Council (BTTC) under India's presidency, culminating in the BRICS Academic Forum and the Recommendations of the BTTC to the BRICS leaders. In the run-up to the 12th WTO Ministerial, emphasis was placed on global value chains and India's GVC linkages with several roundtables, and an enterprise survey was conducted to study the influence of business on geopolitics and the role of business in India's foreign policy.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Economic multilateralism will continue to remain an important focus area as India takes up the G20 presidency in 2023. Similarly, a continuing focus will be on international financial architecture, particularly emerging global rules and regulations under design and negotiations at the G20, WTO, IMF, and FSB which are likely to have implications for India.

As the Quad strengthens and the Indo-Pacific becomes an important theatre for geoeconomics, the programme will examine the inter-linkages, especially for Indian and Quad-based multinationals, for critical supply chains. It will also aim to initiate work on connectivity and the importance of logistics infrastructure.

EVENTS

DATE: December–April 2022

NAME: Industry Roundtables on India’s International Trade Policy and GVCs

DESCRIPTION:

As part of a larger project on Strengthening and Diversifying Global Value Chains in India, ORF partnered with USIBC, CII, and ICEA, respectively in organising a series of roundtable discussions. India has a unique chance to leverage these developments to attract global value chains, especially by exploring partnerships with strategically and geopolitically aligned nations such as the US and the Quad. This would require India to streamline its regulations and design a policy environment that attracts and supports multinationals wishing to establish India as a base, for serving India’s market and the Asian and global market at large. The aim of the roundtables was to receive inputs from stakeholders on the various facets of international and domestic policy impacting GVCs.

DATE: December–April 2022

NAME: Roundtables on India’s Upcoming G20 Presidency

DESCRIPTION:

The seven roundtable discussions on designing India’s G20 Agenda were successful in highlighting the current G20 priorities by the



member countries and identifying the areas of collaboration. The discussions, in collaboration with FCDO, provided a useful analysis of the G20 Troika’s agenda. The roundtable recommendations were then encapsulated in six policy memos to provide clear and implementable suggestions to policymakers and experts from India, the UK, and other G20 countries.



DATE: March 14-17, 2022

NAME: In-Person Delegation Visit to London

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, in collaboration with FCDO, conducted an in-person roundtable on the G20 with policymakers, experts, business leaders, and civil society experts in the UK. Co-hosted by the Overseas Development Institute, the roundtable sought a greater understanding of global governance issues in both the Sherpa and Finance Tracks. It aggregated the information, examined the issues, and provided necessary policy recommendations for developing and implementing the G20 agenda and the global macroeconomic environment for growth and recovery under India’s Presidency next year. The visit also initiated discussions on the G20 agenda with UK-based research institutes such as the London School of Economics’ Grantham Research Institution on Climate Change and the Environment and the LSE Ideas.



DATE: April 27, 2022

NAME: High-Level Discussion on India's G20 Presidency (Raisina Dialogue 2022)

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, with FCDO's support, conducted a high-level discussion at the Raisina Dialogue 2022. The session included about 40 speakers from G20 countries. It was led by H.E. Amb. Abhay Thakur (Additional Secretary (G20), Ministry of External Affairs, India) and India's G20 Sous-Sherpa. A special message was delivered by H.E. Amb. Dian Triansyah Djani (G20 Co-Sherpa, Indonesia).



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EURASIAN STUDIES

MISSION STATEMENT

Eurasian Studies aims to promote a better understanding of Russia, Central Asia, and Central and Eastern Europe. The programme seeks to track emerging regional trends, foster closer cooperation with key stakeholders, and provide fresh inputs on leading policy issues in these geographies. It also seeks to promote an understanding of India in Eurasia. Towards this end, stronger engagement with various organisations from the region and the US, Japan, and Iran was pursued. The endeavour is to build on these collaborative efforts and further expand closer engagement with research and policy-making communities in Eurasia.

A VIEW OF THE PAST YEAR

The work focused extensively on the eastern direction of Russian foreign policy, which was reflected both in the events organised as well as the publications by Eurasian Studies. In a first-of-its-kind initiative, researchers from ORF, IMEMO, and the Wilson Centre came together to produce a joint research paper on Afghanistan. While continuing the existing India-US-Russia trilateral and the ORF-Valdai Club webinar series, Eurasian Studies also launched a new initiative in the form of India-Japan-Russia trilateral.

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Eurasia has steadily gained importance in recent years, in light of the world system undergoing a churn as well as the Russian invasion of Ukraine. A region populated by several leading powers and possessing immense resources and potential, Eurasia has emerged as an area for great power competition. As India's aspirations in this region also expand, the effort will focus on

producing research and building relationships that better inform policy making in this domain. This involves increased long-term collaborations with academics, intellectuals, businesses, and research communities across the region through regular bilateral dialogues, webinars, and exchange of ideas and research.

EVENTS

DATE: May 17 and May 24, 2021

NAME: India-Japan-Russia Trilateral Meeting

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, in collaboration with SPF and HSE, hosted a trilateral meeting where the three sides discussed the evolving world order, the three countries' position in the international system, US-China rivalry, and the impact of these developments on opportunities and challenges available to the stakeholders. There was also a discussion on the possibilities of trilateral cooperation, while also discussing the divergences among the three parties as their foreign policies continue to evolve.

DATE: June 25, 2021

NAME: The China Factor in India-Russia Relations

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, with the Valdai Club, hosted a webinar where the participants discussed the Indo-Russia relationship in light of the rise of China and the latter's rivalry with the US. The speakers explored the political security, economic, and strategic aspects of the topic amidst Russia-China rapprochement, growing Indo-US ties, and the impact of these factors on the strategic partnership.

DATE: July 13, 2021

NAME: 2021: Afghanistan's Year of Reckoning

DESCRIPTION:

In this webinar, scholars from ORF, Wilson Center, and IMEMO discussed the ongoing developments in Afghanistan, taking forward the findings of their report published in April 2021. This unique joint effort by Indian, American,



and Russian scholars sought to understand the complex dynamics of Afghanistan amidst a rapidly changing situation on the ground. The webinar explored the domestic, regional, and international dimensions of the prevailing state of affairs, to understand what the future heralds for Afghanistan.

SPEAKERS:

- Rakesh Sood, Distinguished Fellow, ORF
- Michael Kugelman, Deputy Director, Asia Program and Senior Associate for South Asia, Wilson Center
- Alexey Davydov, Research Fellow, Regional Relations Study Group, IMEMO, RAS
- Alexey Kupriyanov, Head of the Group on South Asia and Indian Ocean of the Center for Asia Pacific Studies, IMEMO, RAS
- Kriti Shah, Associate Fellow, ORF
- Jennifer Murtazshvili, Associate Professor, University of Pittsburgh
- Sushant Sareen, Senior Fellow, ORF
- Nandan Unnikrishnan, Distinguished Fellow, ORF

MODERATOR:

Amar Sinha, Distinguished Fellow, RIS

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DATE: September 29-30, 2021

NAME: India-US-Russia Trilateral

DESCRIPTION:

ORF, with the Wilson Center and IMEMO, hosted a two-day webinar that focused on discussing Afghanistan and the Indo-Pacific security and cooperation. The topics covered were the impact of the US withdrawal on the interests of the three countries, space for cooperation, expectations from other regional states, issues related to AUKUS, future of Quad, and China's regional policies.

DATE: March 2, 2022

NAME: The Crisis in Ukraine: What does it mean for India?

DESCRIPTION:

With the current hostility in Ukraine that is expected to entail widespread geo-economic, geostrategic, and geopolitical implications, experts on this panel shared perspectives on what this means for India and how it could navigate its way through the situation.



SPEAKERS:

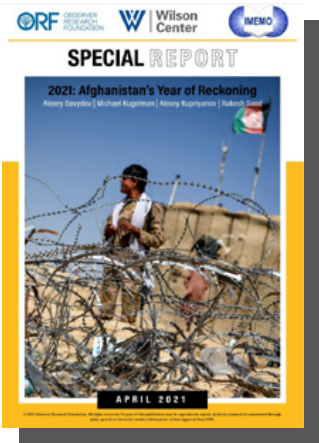
- Rajesh Rajagopalan, Professor of International Politics, Jawaharlal Nehru University
- Zorawar Daulet Singh, Author and Foreign Affairs Analyst
- Nandan Unnikrishnan, Distinguished Fellow, ORF
- Himani Pant, Research Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs

MODERATOR:

Nivedita Kapoor, Research Fellow, Higher School of Economics, Moscow

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Forums

Each year, ORF organises hundreds of public events, conferences, and dialogues, including some of the world's most prestigious. As the world attempted to recover from the shocks of Covid-19, ORF hosted several of its flagship events in a hybrid format. These gatherings saw the participation of relevant policymakers from across the world, coming together to share their insights on the most pressing governance challenges of today, including the manifold impacts of an emerging new world order.

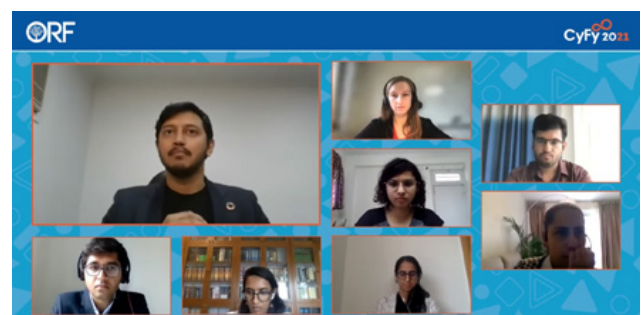
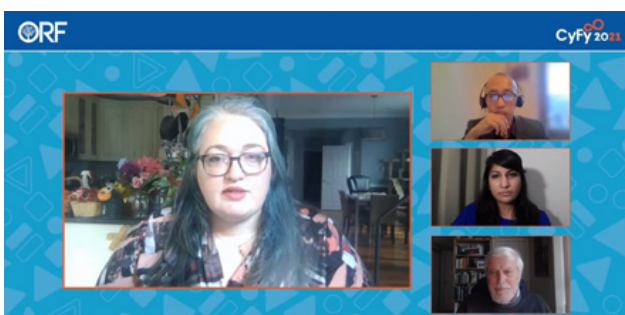
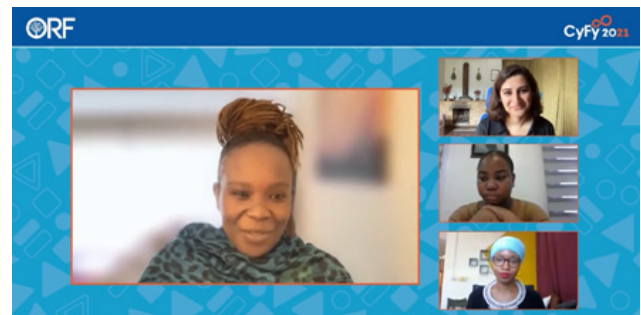
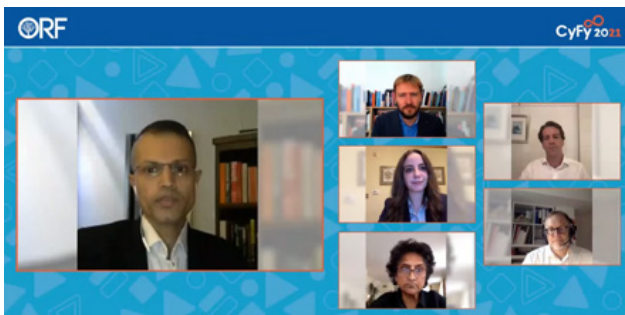
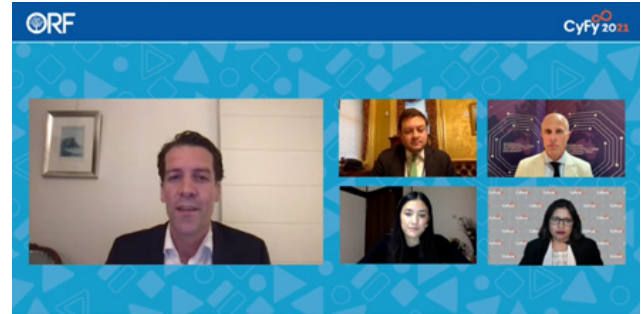
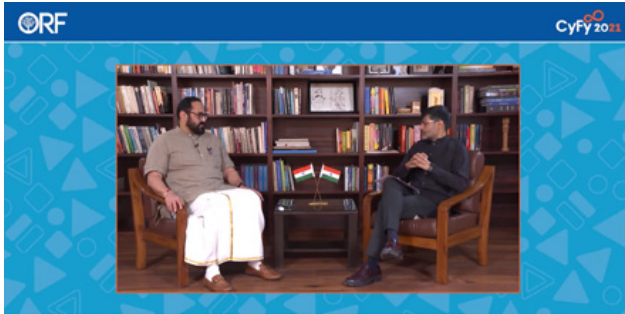
CyFy 2021

CyFy is a global platform that has, over the last 10 years, connected private, public, CSOs and think tank communities to debate on the key topics related to digital governance. CyFy 2021 sought to probe our uncertain start to the chrome decade by gathering a global community of thought leaders, policymakers, and technologists. The conference was held virtually from October 19-22, 2021, on the theme 'The Big Pause: Reclaiming Our Tech Futures'.

The panels and high-level discussions at the conference were centred around five major pillars:

- The Leviathan Rises from the Deep: The Battle of Giants
- Codes or Conflict: Responsible Behaviour in the Chrome Age
- Rage and the Machine: Being Human in the Face of Tech Harms
- Breaking the Final Frontier: The New Space Accords
- Beyond the Billions: Gender, Ethnicity and Community-Centric Approaches

The conference was held in a fully digital format and saw a total viewership of 1 million views across ORF's various social media platforms.



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Edited by Trisha Ray,
Rajeswari Pillai
Rajagopalan | October
2021



Edited by Nisha Holla,
Vikas Kathuria |
October 2021

Colaba Conversation 2021

The second online iteration of Colaba Conversation, Mumbai's signature forum for discussing international policy issues affecting the city, the nation, and the world, co-hosted by ORF and the Government of Maharashtra, was held from December 1 to 3, 2021. The conference included 30 sessions and hosted over 100 speakers from 20 countries.

Under the overarching theme, Navigating Faultlines of Recovery (#NavigatingFaultlines), the conversations at this year's dialogue reflected on the long-term implications of the pandemic. They explored the policy measures to address the systemic fault lines that are now becoming visible.

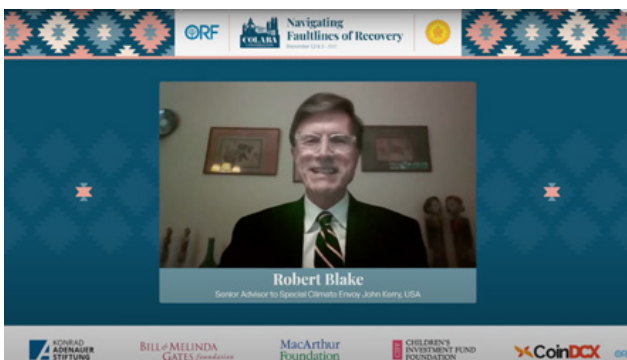
The inaugural session began with keynotes from Almut Möller (State Secretary, Hamburg, Germany), Florian Stegmann (State Minister and Head of the State Chancellery, Baden-Württemberg, Germany), Frances Adamson (Governor, South Australia). It was followed by an inaugural address by Minister Subhash Desai (Minister for Industries and Mining, Government of Maharashtra).

The following pillars guided the dialogue:

- Capacity Conundrum
- Inequity Pandemic
- Multistakeholder Multilateralism
- Corporations Beyond Borders
- The Blue Imperative



(Clockwise from top left): Inaugural Session on “Navigating Faultlines of Recovery”; Keynote by Jayant Sinha; Panel on “Building the India-UK Knowledge Highway”.



(Clockwise from top left): Keynote by Dian Triansyah Djani; Panel on “#SheInvests: Women as Market-Makers”; Keynote by Amb. Robert Blake; Panel on “The Lure of Crypto”; Keynote by Minister James Sangma; Keynote by Manisha Mhaikar; Valedictory Session on “Maximum City: Strengthening Mumbai’s Leadership in Business”.

KEY PUBLICATIONS



Authored by
Meghna Bal, Shweta
Venkatesan, Varun
Ramdas | November
2021



Authored by Renita
D'Souza | December
2021

Dubai Expo 2020

The USA Pavilion @ EXPO 2020 Fellows Program brought together 38 outstanding young women and men from 19 countries and regions across the Middle East, North Africa, and South Asia (MENASA) region for a unique eight-month virtual and in-person program (August 2021 - March 2022).

The cohort represented an eclectic and inclusive group of young leaders and entrepreneurs from multiple disciplines across business, media, government, and civil society. This was the first exchange programme of its kind, executed in partnership with the USA Pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai - the first World Expo in the region - and funded by the PepsiCo Foundation.

The programme was based on the themes of regional integration, economic connectivity, and entrepreneurship. It was centred around four pillars: Rethinking Multilateralism: From Nations to Communities; Introduction and I-cities; The Future is Digital; and Layers of Globalisation.



(Clockwise from top left): Session on “MENASA: Economic Diplomacy and Cultural Connections”; PepsiCo Roundtable on “Investing in the Future”; Session on “Mobility, Opportunity, Sustainability: Founder’s Panel”; Session on “Closing the Gap: Women, Leadership and the Post-Pandemic World”; Conversation with H.E. Omar al Olama and Dr. Samir Saran.



(Clockwise from top left): Session on “Become part of the AFGG Alumni Community”; Group Photo at AstroLabs; Group Photo at startAD at New York University (NYU) Abu Dhabi; Group Photo with winners and cheque prize at USA Pavilion.

AFGG 2022

The Raisina Young Fellows Programme, also known as the Asian Forum on Global Governance (AFGG), is an annual ten-day policy workshop jointly organised by the Observer Research Foundation (ORF), India and ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius, Germany. This year, the Forum included 43 young leaders from 27 different countries.

The participants came from diverse professional backgrounds such as academia, journalism, finance, think tanks, policymaking, lawyers, politicians and personnel from non-profit organisations. The 2022 edition of AFGG was held from April 21-30, at the Taj Palace Hotel, Delhi.



(Clockwise from top left): Session on “Untold Stories of Women Leadership During the Pandemic: A View From the Grassroots”; Session on “Getting to the Green Frontier – A Net Zero Development Model for India”; Session on “Eurasia Reconstructed: The New Equations Between China, Russia and Europe”; Session on “The US Indo–Pacific Strategy: What Lies Ahead?”; Session on “Women in Policy and Politics”; Session on “Afghanistan’s Challenge: Aug 15, 2021 and Beyond” ; Group Photo with Fellows.

Raisina Dialogue 2022

The Raisina Dialogue is India's premier conference on geopolitics and geoeconomics committed to addressing the most challenging issues facing the global community. Every year, leaders in politics, business, media, and civil society converge in New Delhi to discuss the state of the world and explore opportunities for cooperation on a wide range of contemporary matters. The Dialogue is structured as a multi-stakeholder, cross-sectoral discussion, involving heads of state, cabinet ministers and local government officials, who are joined by thought leaders from the private sector, media and academia.

The theme of the Dialogue this year was Terra Nova: Impassioned, Impatient, Imperilled. Conversations at the Dialogue were centred around five major pillars:

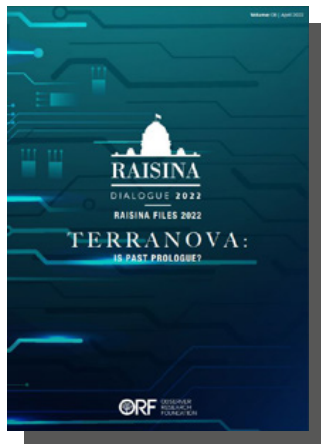
- Rethinking Democracy: Trade, Tech and Ideology
- End of Multilateralism: A Networked Global Order?
- Water Caucuses: Turbulent Tides in the Indo-Pacific
- Communities Inc: First Responders to Health, Development, & Planet
- Achieving Green Transitions: Common Imperative, Diverging Realities
- Samson vs Goliath: The Persistent and Relentless Tech Wars

The conference is hosted by the Observer Research Foundation in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. This effort is supported by a number of institutions, organisations and individuals, who are committed to the mission of the conference. The Dialogue saw participation of 1200 attendees from over 100 countries.



(Clockwise from top left): Inaugural Session with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and H.E. President Ursula von der Leyen; the Raisina AMA with Dr. S. Jaishankar; Panel on “Chasing the Monsoon: Life@75”; In Conversation with Minister Nitin Gadkari; Panel on “The Doctrine of Lapse: Lessons from the UN Era”; Panel on “The Revenge of Ideology: Polarisation and the Exhaustion of Liberalism”; Panel on “Trading Security or Trade in Security: Europe and the Indo-Pacific”; Panel on “The Brussels Effect: Compass for a Strategic Europe”.

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Anahita Khanna | April
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Ananyashree Gupta |
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April 27: BRICS Dialogue on the Future of Multilateralism; organised by CNED.

May 11: BRICS Dialogue on Global Health: Digital Health Solutions; organised by Centre for Economy and Growth.

May 17-24: India-Japan-Russia Trilateral; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

June 15: BRICS Dialogue on International Security; organised by CNED.

August 3-6: BRICS Academic Forum 2021; organised by Geoeconomics Programme.

August 19: Taiwan, India, and the Indo-Pacific Order: Current Trends and Future Possibilities; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

October 27: Arabian Sea Dialogues; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

November 09-10: Strategic High Tide in the Indo-Pacific: Economics, Ecology and Security by Strategic Studies Programme.

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April 6: Envisioning the post-pandemic metropolis: Learnings from Mumbai, India and Tel-Aviv Israel; organised by Political Economy Programme.

April 7: LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS: Themes, Stakes, and Consequences; organised by CNED.

May 28: From War to Peace: The Regional Stakes in Afghanistan's Future; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

May 31: Strengthening India-EU cooperation: Economy, society and multilateralism; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

June 8: T20 Italy 2021 - International finance: Still fit for a post-pandemic world?; organised by CNED.

July 6: The Dynamics and Implications of India's Vaccine Diplomacy; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

July 17-24: ORF-UNLEASH Hackathon; organised by Centre for Economy and Growth.

September 29: 5th India Think Tank Forum; organised by CNED.

October 27: India-EU Track 1.5: Climate Ambition and Action; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

December 01-03: Colaba Conversation: Navigating Faultlines of Recovery by Strategic Studies Programme.

December 09: The next Step in Financial Inclusion: A Roundtable on Digital Banking by Strategic Studies Programme.

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February 26-27: Addressing India's Air Pollution Challenge by Strategic Studies Programme.

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April 28: The Emperor's New Road: China and the Project of the Century by Jonathan E. Hillman; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

May 5: Why Nations Rise: Narratives and the Path to Great Power by Manjari Chatterjee Miller; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

May 12: The Light that Failed: A Reckoning by Ivan Krastev and Stephen Holmes; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

June 1: Bengal and Its Partition: An Untold Story by Bhaswati Mukherjee; organised by Political Economy Programme.

June 10: How China Loses: The Pushback Against Chinese Global Ambitions by Luke Patey; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

June 17: Tomorrow, the World: The Birth of US Global Supremacy by Stephen Wertheim; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

August 13: India 2030: Rise of a Rajasic Nation edited by Gautam Chikermane; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

August 14: Negotiating China: India's Long Game by Vijay Gokhale; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

August 17: China Inc.: Between State Capitalism and Economic Statecraft by Aravind Yelery; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

August 18: Nehru, Tibet and China by Avtar Singh Bhasin; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

September 6: Blood for Blood: Fifty Years of the Global Khalistan by Terry Milewski; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

September 12: China's Civilian Army: The Making of Wolf Warrior Diplomacy by Peter Martin; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

September 18: In Conversation — The Black Box by Rakesh Basant; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

October 9: Forgotten Kashmir: The Other Side of the Line of Control by Dinkar P. Srivastava; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

October 21: Kathmandu Dilemma: Resetting India – Nepal Ties by Amb. Ranjit Rae; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

November 25: India's Pakistan Policy: How Think Tanks are Shaping Foreign Relations by Strategic Studies Programme.

December 06: Climate Diplomacy and Emerging Economies: India as a Case Study by Dr. Dhanasree Jayaram by Strategic Studies Programme.

December 16: The Fractured Himalaya: India, Tibet, China, 1949–1962 by Strategic Studies Programme.

December 27: Politics and Geopolitics: Decoding India's Neighbourhood Challenge by Strategic Studies Programme.

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January 20: Reluctant Technophiles: India's Complicated Relationship with Technology by Dr. Rakesh Kumar by Strategic Studies Programme.

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March 15: The Great Tech Game: Shaping Geopolitics and the Destinies of Nations by Strategic Studies Programme & Technology.

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April 30: Friday Afternoon Talk – What Bengal needs: Election 2021 and larger political dynamics; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

June 2: Future of work: Towards a women-led growth framework; organised by Centre for Economy and Growth.

June 9: India-China Relations in the Age of Covid-19; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

June 23: The Future of India-EU Relations; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

July 3: The China Question: The Party, the Propaganda, and the Schools; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

July 7: Bahraini-Indian Economic Relations: Past and Present; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

July 13: 2021: Afghanistan's year of reckoning; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

July 31: Turning the Tide: Is Mumbai Ready for the Next Wave?; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

August 15: The ORF Foreign Policy Survey 2021: Young India and the World; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

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September 7: UNSC 2021: Takeaways from the Indian Presidency; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

September 10: Third Indo-Pacific Oration; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

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September 17: Afghanistan under Taliban rule: A view from Russia and India; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

September 23: Diversifying the Quad: Opportunities in Geoeconomics, Technology, Climate Change and Health; organised by Strategic Studies Programme.

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April 12: Tracing China's Narratives in Techno-Nationalism Push by Kalpit A Mankikar.

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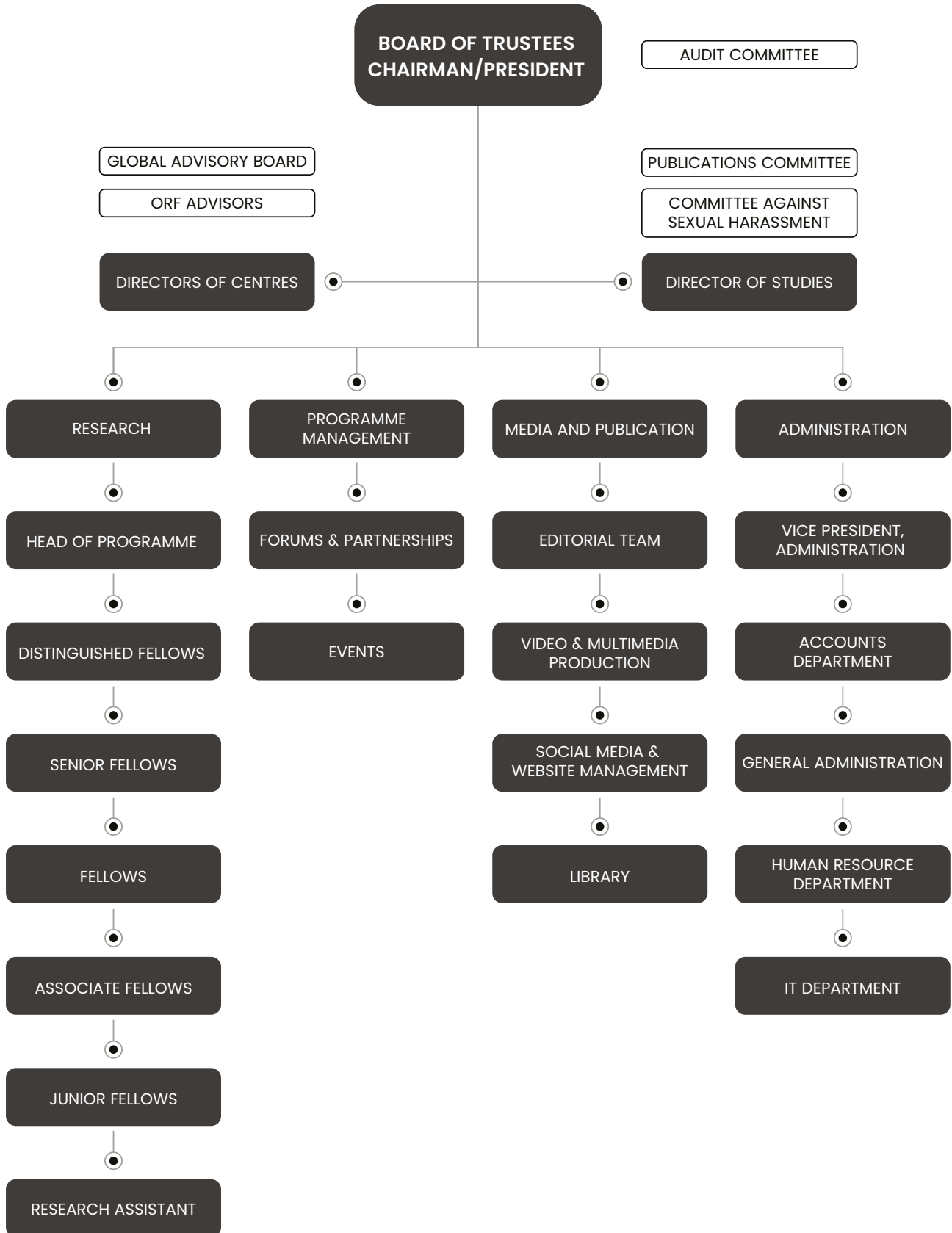
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