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Building a Sustainable Future for Gaming and Esports Industry

Monday, 12th August 2024: Inspire Hall, Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi

Program

1030 – 1100 Hrs	Registration	
1045 – 1130 Hrs	IDGS Annual General Meeting – (For IDGS Members ONLY)	
1130 – 1230 Hrs	Special Session - Unleashing the Potential: Growth and Innovation in India's Gaming & Esports Industry	
1130 – 1140 Hrs	Welcome Remarks	Rajan Navani President – IDGS, and Chairman & Managing Director JetSynthesys (Jetline Group)
1140 – 1155 Hrs	Keynote	Sean (Hyunil) Sohn Vice President, IDGS CEO, KRAFTON, India
1155 – 1215 Hrs	Guest of Honour	Jitendra Vijay CEO, MeitY Startup Hub Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology Government of India
1215 – 1220 Hrs	Release of Newsletter & IDGS Annual Report	
1220 – 1225 Hrs	Closing Remarks	Rajan Navani
1225 -1230 Hrs	Changeover	

SESSION 1	
1230 – 1300 Hrs	Panel Discussion - Digital Gaming: A Catalyst for Economic Growth
<i>The session would focus on exploring the economic impact of the gaming industry on Viksit Bharat, including job creation, revenue generation, and investment opportunities.</i>	
1230 – 1240Hrs	Opening Remarks and chaired by Keynote on way forward on the industry
	Raghav Anand Sr Partner Ernst & Young LLP, India
1240 – 1250 Hrs	Speaker (Panelists)
	Rajan Navani President – IDGS, and Chairman & Managing Director JetSynthesys (Jetline Group)
1250 – 1255 Hrs	Closing remark by the moderator
1255 – 1300 Hrs	Change over

1300 – 1305 Hrs	Startup Session - 1 Vijay Singh CEO Trophee
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SESSION 2	
1305 – 1320 Hrs	Keynote – Media Entertainment Skills Council
<i>The session would focus on the options skills of Video Games and Esports Industry</i>	
1305 – 1320 Hrs	Speakers
	Mohit Soni CEO Media Entertainment Skills Council

1320 – 1355 Hrs	Networking Lunch
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1355 – 1400 Hrs	Startup Session- 2 Rishendra Mishra Founder OS Esports
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SESSION 3		
1400 – 1435 Hrs	Panel Discussion - Video Games Beyond Entertainment: How Video Games Are Shaping the Future	
<i>The Video games have transcended their roots as mere entertainment to become influential tools in various fields. The session would focus on significant role in shaping the future of how we learn, heal, and interact with the world around us.</i>		
1400 – 1405 Hrs	Opening Remarks and chaired by Siddharth Nayyar Co-Founder & CRO AFK Gaming & Max Level	
1405 – 1425 Hrs	Key Panelist (Discussion)	RawKnee Rony Dasgupta Gaming Influencer
		Parth Chaddha Founder and CEO STAN
		Manva Hunswadkar Lead PR KRAFTON india
		Sriram Vishaal Esports Head Sky Esports
1425 – 1430 Hrs	Open House & Closing remarks by the moderator	
1430 – 1435 Hrs	Change over	

1435 – 1440 Hrs	Startup Session- 3 Ankit Chowdhury CEO and Co-Founder Mantis Pro Gaming
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SESSION 4	
1440 – 1515 Hrs	Panel Discussion – ESPORTS in India – A Rising Phenomenon
<p><i>Esports in India has rapidly evolved from a niche interest to a booming industry, capturing the attention of millions. With the rise of affordable internet access and a young, tech-savvy population, competitive gaming has seen unprecedented growth. In a landmark move, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) has announced that the inaugural Olympic Esports Games will take place in Saudi Arabia in 2025. This decision follows the recent proposal by the IOC to create an Olympic platform for esports. As the global stage is set for competitive gaming, the upcoming session will focus on India's stand on representation in the Olympic Esports Games. As India continues to embrace this digital revolution, the future of esports looks brighter than ever.</i></p>	
1440 – 1445 Hrs	Opening Remarks and chaired by
	<p>Abhishek Issar Founder, UNIV Sportatech Founding Member, Federation of Electronic Sports Associations India (FEAI)</p>
1445 – 1505 Hrs	Speaker (Panelists)
	<p>Anurag Khurana Founder NewGen Gaming & Penta Esports</p>
	<p>Shiva Nandy Founder SKY ESPORTS</p>
	<p>Rohit Jagasia Founder REVENANT</p>
	<p>Gautam Virk Co-Founder NODWIN Gaming</p>
1505 – 1510 Hrs	Closing remark by the moderator
1510 – 1515 Hrs	Change over

1515 – 1520 Hrs	<p>Startup Session 4 Shrutidhar Paliwal Founder PlayWise esports Pre ltd</p>
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SESSION 5		
1520 – 1550 Hrs	Panel Discussion - PC/ Console – the next frontier: Opportunities and Challenges in India's PC/ Console gaming market	
<p><i>The Session will focus on the key drivers for the increased interest levels in PC and console gaming in India like the increase in demand for high quality games, increasing talent base of studios and impact of global trends. Key reasons for and genesis of studios building PC/console games in India. The participants can explore various aspects of PC/console game development and comparison with global gaming studios on quality of development, distribution, monetization and scaling approaches. Further deep-dive into what should be focus areas of Indian studios going forward to compete on a global scale.</i></p>		
1520 – 1525 Hrs	Opening Remarks and chaired by	Aditya Mani Founder YOLOgram
1525 – 1540 Hrs	Key Panelist (Discussion)	Prosenjit Ghosh National Head, PlayStation Division SONY India
		Girish Menon Chief Strategy Officer JetSynthesys
		Pushpendu Kumar National Product Manager Acer India
		Sashank Bandaru Head Global Partnership Sky Esports
		Chandahas Panigrahi CEO – Co Founder Lets Game Now
1540 – 1545 Hrs	Open House & Closing remarks by the moderator	
1545 – 1550 Hrs	Change over	

SESSION 6		
1550 - 1620 Hrs	Panel Discussion - Hyper Casual: The New Trends or a Passing Fad?	
<p><i>In the fast-paced world of gaming, hyper-casual games have emerged as a significant trend, captivating millions with their simplicity and addictive gameplay. These games, characterized by easy-to-understand mechanics and minimalistic design, have soared in popularity, proving that less can indeed be more. As developers and investors take note, the question remains: is this a sustainable trend or just a fleeting phenomenon? Join us as we explore the factors driving the hyper-casual craze, the innovations shaping its future, and the potential for long-term growth in this dynamic segment of the gaming industry.</i></p>		
1550 – 1555 Hrs	Opening Remarks and chaired by	Sumit Batheja Co-Founder Gamestack
1555 – 1610 Hrs	Key Panelist (Discussion)	Ashutosh Sharma Global Game Partnership, India Google India
		Shrey Mishra Founder Gaming Central
		Dhiraj Bedi Strategy and Growth WinZo
1610 – 1615 Hrs	Open House & Closing remarks by the moderator	
1615 – 1620 Hrs	Change over	

SESSION 7		
1620 – 1630 Hrs	Keynote – Startup India, Invest India – Startup - Investor Session	
<p><i>The session would focus on the options available for Startup India / Invest India on the gaming investments and opportunities available in India</i></p>		
1620 – 1630 Hrs	Speakers	Oishika Ghosh Asst Manager Startup India Government of India
1630 – 1730 Hrs	Startup Meet Up (Networking Session)	

END OF THE PROGRAM