

Trust & Safety Festival India 7th & 8th October 2025

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GroSafe: Designing Safer Pathways Through AI-Powered Child Protection
Dylan Schouten
Project Manager, GroSafe



Dr. Dylan Gerard Michel Schouten-Adavi is the research project manager for the GroSafe project. He has an interdisciplinary academic/commercial background in human-technology interaction, including a PhD in Interactive Intelligence from Delft University of Technology, combining human-centered research and analysis with technology understanding and design and programming skills. Dylan's areas of expertise include game research and design, educational research and design, interdisciplinary knowledge transfer and outreach, and employing user-centered and user-driven research to develop and evaluate technological interventions to societal issues. He currently lives in Ireland with his wife and son.

Children's Online Redress (COR) Sandbox: The First Regulatory Sandbox for Online Safety
Ioanna Noulas
Founder and Project Lead, COR Sandbox



Dr Ioanna Noulas is the founder and project lead of COR Sandbox, the first regulatory sandbox for online safety upholding children's rights. She is a senior researcher and advisor in the areas of children's rights and tech policy. As a trust and safety innovator she co-founded the Internet Commission, a UK-based non-profit organisation that designed and conducted the first ever independent audits of online platforms' content moderation practices. She has worked as an

academic researcher in the UK and is currently a Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Digital Policy at University College Dublin.

Global Coordination Against Child Sexual Abuse Material: The INHOPE Network

Abby Roberts

Project Manager, INHOPE



Abby Roberts is a Project Manager at INHOPE, where for six years she has advanced online safety through capacity building, advocacy, and legislative harmonisation. She oversees hotline governance under the Better Internet for Kids programme and manages the Global Standard Project, implementing the Universal Classification Schema. Before joining INHOPE, Abby built expertise in international law and advocacy with a global pro-bono law firm, a refugee resettlement non-profit, and a boutique litigation firm specialising in complex disputes. She holds an LL.M. in International Law and Security from Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and a B.A. in Political Science and International Relations from Carthage College.

Intelligence-Led Prevention: Disrupting Digital Trafficking Networks

Nick Dale

Director of Intelligence, Stop The Traffik



Nick served over two decades with West Midlands Police in the United Kingdom. For the past 10 years of his career, through multiple roles in investigation, local policing and intelligence, Nick consistently focused on organised exploitation, sexual exploitation, and county lines

trafficking. Through this time, Nick led Operation Fort, the largest human trafficking investigation in UK history, and championed the use of data analytics tools to streamline intelligence and investigations in the fight against traffickers. In October 2024, Nick took on a new challenge outside policing, as Director of Intelligence for global human trafficking charity STOP THE TRAFFIK.

Preventing Non-Consensual Intimate Image Sharing Through Digital Innovation

Sophie Mortimer

Manager, UK Revenge Porn Helpline at SWGfL



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Building Inclusive Digital Safety: Community-Driven Approaches from India

Garima Saxena

Senior Research Associate, The Dialogue



Garima Saxena is a Senior Research Associate at The Dialogue, where she leads research, engagement, and capacity-building efforts, with a focus on internet governance, intermediary liability, and trust and safety. Her work spans regulatory impact assessments, nationwide surveys on tech-facilitated gender-based violence, and rights-based frameworks that inform platform and government decisions. She serves on the Secretariat of the Alliance for Cyber

Trust Safety (ACTS), India's first digital safety alliance. Garima holds a law degree from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law and is currently researching emerging themes such as AI Trust & Safety, Age-Assurance Mechanisms, and Content Creator Economy.

7th October

9:00 Welcome - Dome

Jyoti Vadehra

Head, Online Safety and Wellbeing, CSR India



Jyoti Vadehra is the Lead Digital Trust and Safety, CSR and founding secretariat of the Alliance for Cyber Trust and Safety (ACTS). A strategic expert in the field, she specializes in online safety and wellbeing, and the design and execution of large-scale online safety projects. Jyoti spearheaded the formation of the ACTS alliance and is dedicated to fostering a safer digital ecosystem at the nexus of Gen AI, child safety and wellbeing, gender equality, and sustainable development. Her experience includes significant contributions to policy advocacy, and she is the first Indian representative on Meta's Board of Global Women's Safety Expert Advisors.

Caroline Humer

Co Founder, Trust & Safety Festival



Caroline Humer is a global child protection and digital safety expert with over 20 years of experience across non-profits, government, and the tech industry. She has worked at the U.S. National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and later at the International Centre for Missing & Exploited Children. Transitioning into the trust and safety field, Caroline mobilizes multi-stakeholder coalitions and tech firms to combat online harms, leading to the founding of the Trust & Safety Forum in 2022. In addition, Caroline co-founded STISA (Survivors & Tech Solving Image-based Sexual Abuse), the world's first NGO focused with survivor centric approach to combatting image based sexual abuse online.

9:15 Dome - From Paris to Delhi: Shaping Global AI Governance and Ethical Innovation

Abhishek Singh
Additional Secretary, MeitY, Govt. of India



Abhishek Singh is an officer of the 1995 batch of IAS with diverse experience in administration, managing law and order, implementing development programs, and policy formulation at Central Government with regard to the use of Technology for improving Governance. He is presently posted as Additional Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, with responsibilities of Artificial Intelligence & Emerging Technologies, Cyber Security and Digital Skilling. Abhishek is an IIT Kanpur alumnus and did his Masters in Public Administration from Harvard Kennedy School of Government as a Mason fellow in May 2013.

Sunil Abraham
Public Policy Director, Data Economy and Emerging Tech, Meta, India



Sunil Abraham is Director of Public Policy for Data and Emerging Tech at Meta India, where he leads engagement on privacy, consumer protection, and AI-driven innovation. He co-founded Mahiti Infotech and the Centre for Internet and Society and has been a vocal advocate for open-source software, digital inclusion, and the Wikimedia movement. Sunil has also taught globally, serving as an endowed professor at ArtEZ University of the Arts in the Netherlands.

Nandita Baruah
Country Representative - India, The Asia Foundation



Nandita Baruah has over 35 years of experience working in the development sector in Asia. She is the Country Representative - India at The Asia Foundation. She has served in leadership positions in the Asia Foundation's country offices in Cambodia and Nepal.

Nandita, has held senior technical and leadership positions with several multilateral and bilateral development agencies across South Asia, including UNODC, UNWomen, CIDA, and USAID. Her portfolio of engagement spans gender-based violence, feminist foreign policy, human trafficking, migration and mobility, governance, climate and environmental resilience, digital literacy and workforce development.

Rajesh Ranjan
Head of Core Government Affairs and Public Policy, Google India



Rajesh leads Google's strategic engagement with India's Central and State Governments. With over 20 years of experience spanning the public and private sectors, he has been instrumental in shaping major national policies. He has advised government leaders on critical areas like Data Privacy, Cloud, and Electronics Policy, while also managing large-scale IT implementation and public procurement projects. His previous roles at Microsoft, KPMG, and with the CAG of

India provide him with deep insights into India's civic, political, and economic landscape. Rajesh holds a Bachelor's in IT and a Master's in International Business.

Rohit Kumar
Co-Founder, The Quantum Hub



Rohit is the co-founder of The Quantum Hub (TQH). TQH is a multi-sectoral public policy firm working across technology, telecom, sustainability, gender, and social inclusion. His expertise spans regulation of new business models and emerging issues in tech policy, including intermediary liability, speech regulation, and AI. An alumnus of Harvard Kennedy School and IIT Bombay, he previously served as Head of Policy & Research to Member of Parliament Mr. Baijayant 'Jay' Panda and worked at PRS Legislative Research, supporting MPs across parties on legislative matters.

10:00 Dome - Welcome

Dr. Ranjana Kumari
Director, Centre for Social Research (CSR India)



Dr. Ranjana Kumari has been a leading advocate for women's rights in India for over four decades, combining activism, scholarship, and policy engagement. She has advised the Government of India through roles on the National Commission for Women, Ministry of Women and Child Development, NHRC, and Ministry of Labour, and has served as a Gender Expert at the ILO and United Nations in Geneva. Recognized with national and international awards, including the Lotus Leadership Award, she was named among Apolitical's 100 Most Influential People in Gender Policy. She also serves on Meta's Global Advisory Council, the Advertising

Standards Council of India, and was previously member of the Trust and Safety Council of Teleperformance and Twitter advocating for safe, respectful online spaces.

Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar
External Affairs Minister, Government of India



Dr. S. Jaishankar is India's External Affairs Minister since May 30, 2019. He is a Member of the Upper House (Rajya Sabha) of India's Parliament from the state of Gujarat. He was Foreign Secretary from 2015-18, Ambassador to United States (2013-15), China (2009-2013), Czech Republic (2000-2004); High Commissioner to Singapore (2007-2009). He has also served in other diplomatic assignments in Embassies in Moscow, Colombo, Budapest and Tokyo, as well in the Ministry of External Affairs and the President's Secretariat. He was also President – Global Corporate Affairs at Tata Sons Private Limited from May 2018. Dr S. Jaishankar is a graduate of St. Stephen's College at the University of Delhi. He has a Masters in Political Science and an M. Phil and Ph.D in International Relations from Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi. He is a recipient of the Padma Shri award in 2019 and has written widely acclaimed best-selling books: The India Way: Strategies for an Uncertain World, which was published in 2020 and Why Bharat Matters, which was published in 2024.

Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw
Hon'ble Minister for Railways; Information & Broadcasting; Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India



Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw (born in 1970) is a Member of Rajya Sabha from Odisha. He served the people of Sundergarh, Balasore, Cuttack and Goa. He earned Master's in Technology from IIT Kanpur and MBA from Wharton. He brings a combination of skills in technology, finance and its

application to weakest sections of society. He firmly believes in the philosophy of 'Antyodaya', i.e. transforming the lives of the marginalized sections of society.

9:15 Tango - Tackling Child Sexual Abuse Online – A Global Perspective

Abby Roberts
Project Manager, INHOPE



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Deborah Fry
Global Director of Data and Principal Investigator (PI), Childlight



Professor Deborah Fry (MA, MPH, PhD) has over 20 years of experience in researching violence against children. She is a Chair in International Child Protection Research at the University of Edinburgh. At the University, Professor Fry is the Global Director of Data and Principal Investigator (PI) for Childlight – Global Child Safety Institute where she leads research teams to better understand the prevalence and nature of child sexual exploitation and abuse (CSEA) globally and leads the world's first index on CSEA prevalence (childlight.org).

Siddharth P.
Co-Founder & Director, RATI Foundation



Siddharth has over 15 years of experience in nonprofit work across India, with expertise in digital safety, research, and advocacy. He co-founded RATI Foundation and the Aarambh India Initiative, which received the Presidential National Award in 2017 for pioneering CSAM reporting in India. At RATI, he leads online safety strategy and co-created initiatives like Meri Trustline, an award-winning national helpline for victims of online abuse, and Ideal Internet Researchers, exploring children's digital lives. He has worked with the Union Ministry of Women & Child Development, UNESCO Asia-Pacific, and ECPAT-India on online child safety frameworks. Earlier, he worked on campaigns with Video Volunteers and Red Cross Hunger Videos.

11:00 Dome - AI for Safety

Jordan Benavidez
Director of Safety by Design, Trust & Safety, Match Group



Jordan Benavidez is a longtime trust and safety professional. She is currently the Director of Safety by Design at Match Group, the parent company of popular services like Tinder, Hinge, and many others, dedicated to helping people around the world build meaningful connections. Previously, Jordan has held trust and safety roles at Spotify, Twitter, and the U.S. National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. She has particular expertise in the areas of child safety, combatting scaled abuse, responsible AI, and safety by design.

Akash Pugalia
Global Executive, TP



Akash Pugalia is a global executive with 24+ years in the BPO industry, spearheading innovation in AI/ML Data Services and Trust & Safety. At TP, he partners with Fortune 500s to deliver scalable data pipelines, ethical AI governance, and platform safety solutions that fuel Generative AI and enterprise growth with trust. A recognized AI data expert and thought leader, Akash is renowned for transforming emerging AI into measurable business impact and advancing global best practices in Responsible AI.

Henry Adams
Director, T&S at Resolver



Henry Adams is Director, Trust & Safety, at Resolver. He has spent the past decade mitigating risk in diverse, high-harm settings. Henry is a former Head of Intelligence with a background in counter terrorism, national policing operations and crisis negotiation. At Resolver, he initially led global intelligence operations before overseeing the development of predatory network disruption tools. Today, Henry is a member of Resolver's Trust & Safety Division leadership and their primary interface with industry, academia, governments and regulators. He is a passionate advocate for the protection of children; and a proponent of the power in taking proactive intelligence-led approaches to safety.

Snigdha Bhardwaj
Director and Global Head of Generative AI, Trust & Safety, Google



A transformational leader with a 17+ years of experience and strong background in Trust and Safety, currently driving Generative AI testing and enforcement strategy for consumer products in Google. Snigdha has been instrumental in setting the framework and direction for key & novel Google launches, including Gemini, Search launches like AIO & AIM. Snigdha's expertise includes developing robust strategies for content and actor-based abuse in Generative AI, with a focus on trust & info quality. Also championing key strategic priorities including implementation & resource allocation for Generative AI launches, advocating for xT&S resourcing to SVPs to ensure successful pre and post launch support.

Jc Le Toquin
Co Founder, Trust & Safety Festival



Jean-Christophe Le Toquin, co-founder of the Trust & Safety Festival, has a track record in establishing multistakeholder initiatives that strengthen digital safety. His notable achievements include co-founding and developing the annual Trust & Safety Forum in Europe, INHOPE the global network of frontline services against child sexual abuse material and STISA a survivor-centric network of operational organisations against image-based sexual abuse. He co-founded and chairs the international and cross-disciplinary Cybersecurity Advisors Network (CyAN). He is a former Director of the Digital Crimes Unit at Microsoft EMEA.

11:00 Tango - Bodies, Bans & Algorithms- Reclaiming SRHR access in the age of digital censorship and control (FRIDA)

Sachee Malhotra
Co Founder, That Sassy Thing



Sachee (she/her) is the co-founder of That Sassy Thing, a feminist, new-age sexual wellness brand for women. Having worked across sexual wellness brands in India and the US, Sachee realised how the space was dominated by men, with products designed for men and conversations primarily aimed at them. That Sassy Thing is here to change that and revolutionise the sexual wellness space with a Sex-Ed first approach. She started the brand because of her personal struggles dealing with PCOS (Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome) for 15 years. When she couldn't find products that were good for her body, she decided to create her own natural, body-safe sexual wellness products. She believes in bringing the much-needed equality and education for women in the bedroom, and making women's pleasure shame-free and fun.

Zoya Ali

Reproductive health scientist and sexuality educator



Zoya Ali is a reproductive scientist and sexual health educator, and the founder of Uteropedia, a digital-first platform making reproductive health accessible, stigma-free, and rooted in science. As a senior scientific research associate at Hertility Health, she works at the intersection of reproductive health, fertility and AI driven diagnostics, helping reduce time to diagnosis and turn science into real world solutions. With a growing global audience of 100,000+, Zoya translates complex research into relatable, medically accurate content, challenging taboos and misinformation around sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). She has pursued an MSc in Prenatal Genetics & Fetal Medicine at University College London (UCL). She has been a past Editor for (European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology) ESHRE's Journal Club where she helped bring cutting-edge reproductive research to the forefront, ensuring it reaches the clinicians, scientists, and policymakers who can turn evidence into action.

Vithika Yadav
Former Head, Love Matters India



Vithika Yadav is a social entrepreneur with over 20 years of experience in gender rights, sexual rights, and anti-slavery work. Vithika co-founded Love Matters, India's first digital platform on sexual and reproductive health, and founded TeenBook, a life skills hub for adolescents. She chairs the Global Advisory Board on Sexual Health and Well-being. A recognized global leader, she has received multiple honors including the 120 Under 40 award by the Gates Institute and the Atlas Corps Fellowship. Vithika has worked with the UN, BBC, Free the Slaves, and MTV EXIT, and is featured in the documentary #FemalePleasure. She is an alumna of Lady Shri Ram College and THINK School of Creative Leadership. Currently, she is the Managing Director of Designathon Works, empowering children in 50+ countries to become changemakers, and serves as a Child Protection Expert with the Purple Foundation.

Aparajita Bharti
Co-Founder of The Quantum Hub and YLAC



Aparajita Bharti is the co-founder of The Quantum Hub (TQH), a leading public policy firm based out of Delhi and Young Leaders for Active Citizenship (YLAC) that works with young people to increase their participation in democratic processes. Her work in trust and safety has specifically focused on children's online safety and women's participation in the digital economy. She advises multiple tech platforms on privacy and youth wellbeing. She writes in leading publications around these topics.

Uthara Ganesh
Head of Public Policy, India and South Asia, Snap Inc.



Uthara Ganesh is Head of Public Policy, India and South Asia at Snap Inc. She focuses on developing Snap's relationships with key government agencies in South Asia and shaping regulatory outcomes in areas such as content regulation, data protection and privacy, emerging tech regulation, and competition. Prior to this role, Uthara led Amazon Web Services' (AWS) and Amazon's public policy efforts, supporting advocacy on content regulation, taxation, data governance, and competition issues across Prime Video, Kindle, Alexa, and Cloud businesses. She also served as Public Policy Lead to Rajeev Chandrasekhar from 2014 to 2017 and has worked at the Centre for Policy Research, UNAIDS, and GIZ. Uthara was a LAMP Fellow from 2010 to 2011.

Dr Nilesh Deshpande
Program Specialist, Adolescent and Youth Unit, UNFPA



Dr Nilesh Deshpande is a public health specialist with over two decades of experience in adolescent and youth health, reproductive health, and program management across India and globally. He currently serves as the National Technical Specialist for Adolescent and Youth at UNFPA India, leading national initiatives and partnerships with government and UN agencies. Before this role, Dr Deshpande worked as State Programme Coordinator with UNFPA in Madhya Pradesh and Bihar, and as a Research Associate with the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health in Tanzania. Dr Deshpande holds a Master's in Public Health from Johns Hopkins University, an MBA in Health Research Management, and an MBBS degree. He has authored several studies and evaluations on reproductive health, health systems, and adolescent programmes for UNFPA, USAID, and national health missions. With extensive experience spanning grassroots programme implementation to national policy advocacy, Dr Deshpande brings a strong perspective on advancing youth leadership, health, and rights in India and beyond.

11:45 Dome - Yuva/Snap

Nikhil Taneja
Co-Founder/Chief, Yuva



Nikhil Taneja is a multi-award winning writer, producer, podcaster, entrepreneur, mental health & gender equality advocate and most importantly, a girl dad. He's the co-founder and Chief of Yuva, India's first Gen Z-driven youth media, research and impact organization. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the girls' education focused international non-profit, Girl Rising. Nikhil is also the creator and host of 'Be A Man, Yaar!', the viral Indian chat series on positive masculinity. Nikhil is a proud Special Jury Awardee of the Kamla Bhasin Award 2024 for enabling a gender-just ecosystem across South Asia. He also won the Laadli Foundation Media Award for Gender Sensitivity in 2024.

12:00 Dome - Protecting Children Online with Google, Meta and Snapchat

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Shilpi Singh
Gurgaon Moms



Shilpi is a Leadership Coach who works extensively with women navigating their leadership journeys and aspirations. She is the Co-founder of Studio4, a leadership and communication agency that enables leaders and organizations to build authentic presence, influence, and sustainable impact. Shilpi is also the Co-founder of Unhotel Global, an experiential travel company curating unique, bespoke journeys rooted in sustainable and responsible travel. Unhotel goes beyond conventional itineraries to help travelers experience the true essence of a place, its people, culture, and stories while creating meaningful connections and ensuring positive impact on local communities.

Natasha Jog
Director, Public Policy, Meta India



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Kazim Rizvi
Founding Director, The Dialogue



Kazim Rizvi is the Founding Director of The Dialogue, a New Delhi-based public policy think-tank. A prominent voice in India's tech policy landscape, he works at the intersection of technology, policy, and society, with expertise in AI, data protection, and cybersecurity among others. He champions evidence-based research and collaborative governance through key multi-stakeholder initiatives: the Coalition for Responsible Evolution of AI (CoRE-AI) on AI governance, Strategic Research, Innovation & Dialogue for EU-India Engagement (STRIDE-EUI) for India-EU cooperation, and the Alliance for Cyber Trust and Safety (ACTS), co-founded with CSR India to strengthen online safety, counter misinformation, and build digital trust.

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14:00 Tango - Tackling image-based abuse: Cross-platform collaboration in action with StopNCII.org

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14:15 Dome - Girls on mobile: CTRL+SHIFT+RESPECT: Building Safer Digital Spaces for Girls

Akansha Kasera
Senior Market Engagement Manager, the GSMA



Akansha is dedicated to building meaningful relationships and designing thoughtful solutions that create equity and welfare. With over a decade of experience in the international development space, she currently serves as Senior Market Engagement Manager at the GSMA, working on pathways that help bridge the gender digital divide. She is currently pursuing her MBA in Policy Analysis from the Indian School of Business and holds a Master's in Public Policy from the Jindal School of Governance and Public Policy, and an undergraduate degree in Literature with a minor in Psychology from the Delhi University.

Shireen Vakil
Child Rights Advocate



Shireen Vakil is a distinguished policy and advocacy leader with expertise in child protection, gender and education. She served as Head of Safety Policy for Asia Pacific at Meta, where she focused on online child protection, women's safety, and youth mental well-being. Prior to that, she led the Policy and Advocacy unit at Tata Trusts, and played a pivotal role as the Director of Advocacy, Campaigns, and Communications at Save the Children India, including working with the MWCD and UNICEF on the first National level Child Abuse study (2007). Most recently, Shireen led the Child Opportunity Fund, a bold 10-year, multi-million-dollar joint initiative between the British Asian Trust and the Children's Investment Fund Foundation focused on child protection. Ms Vakil comes with strong experience in building multi-stakeholder partnerships, addressing national and global issues with governments, donors, civil society and the media and has appeared and written on a spectrum of child rights and gender issues, in national and international media.

Japleen Pasricha
Founder, CEO and Editor-in-Chief, Feminism in India



Japleen Pasricha is the founder, CEO, and editor-in-chief of Feminism in India, an intersectional feminist media platform that explores the intricacies of culture, politics, society, and media through a feminist lens. She has previously worked with women's rights NGOs, including Breakthrough India and Point of View, before founding FII in 2014. She is a public speaker and has represented FII on platforms such as the UNCSW, Rights Con, Amnesty International, and the UNHRC, among others. Japleen works to strategically shape FII into a space that presents intersectional feminist information in an accessible way to people of varied palettes and backgrounds, smashing the patriarchy with a vision that emboldens the modern Indian youth.

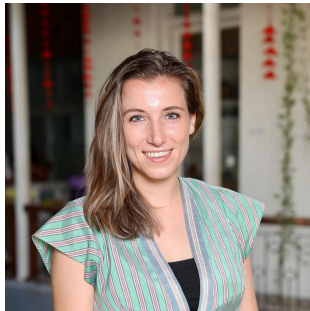
Sadhana Singh
Consultant, Niti Ayog



Sadhna Singh is a Consultant at NITI Aayog, bringing over a decade of cross-sector experience in policy research, strategic affairs, cybersecurity, and stakeholder engagement. Her work focuses on driving impactful policy initiatives aligned with India's development goals, particularly in the domains of ICT, national security, and governance. A former officer in the Indian Army's Corps of Signals, Sadhna brings mission-driven discipline and deep expertise in network administration and secure communications. Her combined military and policy experience enables her to navigate complex challenges with strategic foresight and deliver actionable, system-level solutions. She has been recognized with several prestigious honours, including Security Professional of the Year 2024, Business World Security 40 Under 40, and the Lady Leadership Award by CAPSI. Passionate about fostering collaboration, driving innovation, and contributing to inclusive and resilient national growth, Sadhna continues to champion initiatives that strengthen India's strategic and cybersecurity posture.

Josephine van Zanten

Second Secretary Political Affairs & Human Rights, Netherlands Embassy



Josephine works as Second Secretary at the Political Department of the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in India, where she is responsible for the Embassy's human rights portfolio among other files. Prior to her posting in Delhi, she was desk officer for Suriname and Guyana at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in The Hague. Before joining the Dutch diplomatic corps, she served as a Climate and Security Risk Expert with UNDP in Burkina Faso and worked with NGOs in Myanmar. She holds a Master of Social Sciences in Peace and Conflict Studies from Uppsala University, Sweden.

Kavita Ayyigari

Country Director India, Girl Effect



Kavita Ayyagari is the Country Director for Girl Effect India. She leads Girl Effect's Chaa Jaa (Go forth and shine) Initiative that aims to improve girls' health, education, and livelihoods by

connecting them to life-changing information and resources. And helps girls stay in school, get vaccinated, be healthy and thrive. Kavita has over two decades of experience in public health, leading high-impact projects in adolescent sexual and reproductive health, immunization, tuberculosis, and new born child survival. Before joining Girl Effect, Kavita was the Country Director for Howard Delafield International's Game of Choice, Not Chance, a pioneering gaming initiative designed to empower adolescent girls through play. She has led Pathfinder International's Youth Voices for Agency and Access (Yuva) and the Union's flagship Challenge TB Program for raising political will and action on tuberculosis. Kavita is passionate about ensuring girls have the tools to shape their futures and realize their dreams.

15:00 Dome - GSMA Mobile Gender Gap research

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13:30 Tango - Strategic Foresight: Future-proofing Trust

Farshida Zafar LL.M.
Executive Director, Erasmus Centre for Entrepreneurship; CEO, ROOM



Farshida Zafar LL.M. is Executive Director of the Erasmus Centre for Entrepreneurship, CEO of ROOM, leading strategic initiatives in emerging technology and inclusive entrepreneurship. Her visionary leadership has earned national and international recognition, including the Best Campus Development award (2021), Techionista Tech Leader Award (2018), and SURF innovation award (2016). Named to MT/Sprout's Inclusive 30 in 2023, she's recognized as one of the Netherlands' most influential inclusive leaders. With expertise in law, technology, and change management, Farshida drives digital transformation and leads diverse teams to create innovative solutions with meaningful societal impact.

15:15 Dome - Click to Protect: How Digital Platforms can disrupt Human Trafficking Networks with Booking.com

Neda Niazian
Group Director Trust & Safety - Booking.com



“My mission is to inspire and empower people and organizations to turn bold visions into reality.” Strategic and transformational executive leader with over 15 years of global experience at the intersection of Technology, Innovation and Operational Excellence. Proven track record in shaping long-term strategy, leading complex cross-functional transformations, and aligning technology and data capabilities with business objectives, all while navigating regulatory, compliance, and reputational risk. Currently leading Global Trust & Safety for Booking.com and Booking Holdings, overseeing multidisciplinary teams across Security Operations, Product, AI & Machine Learning, Software Development, Data Science and Risk & Compliance.

Lena Dasgupta Basu
Programme Manager, Child Protection, Child in Need Institute (CINI)



Lena is a dynamic development sector professional, leading the Child Protection Portfolio in Child in Need Institute (CINI) India. She has experience of 21 years. She served as Senior Programme Coordinator in Childline India Foundation (CIF) for sixteen years. Facilitating dialogue with the Government and CSOs, to consolidate the private public partnership and to deliver the service to children in the field was her main role in ChildLine. She did her Masters in Sociology from Calcutta University and worked with CSOs, implementing projects on Cross Border Trafficking, Child Marriage, Child Labour in rural and urban parts of West Bengal.

Nick Dale
Director of Intelligence, Stop The Traffik



Nick served over two decades with West Midlands Police in the United Kingdom. For the past 10 years of his career, through multiple roles in investigation, local policing and intelligence, Nick consistently focused on organised exploitation, sexual exploitation, and county lines trafficking. Through this time, Nick led Operation Fort, the largest human trafficking investigation in UK history, and championed the use of data analytics tools to streamline intelligence and investigations in the fight against traffickers. In October 2024, Nick took on a new challenge

outside policing, as Director of Intelligence for global human trafficking charity STOP THE TRAFFIK.

Hasina Kharbhih
Founder, Impulse NGO Network



Hasina is the Founder of Impulse NGO Network. Having spent over two decades in this sector, Hasina is considered one of the leading figures in the fight against human trafficking in India, as well as South and South East Asia. Hasina and her team developed the Impulse Model (formerly Meghalaya Model) for fighting trafficking-in-persons. The Impulse Model is today considered the ultimate guide for processes and best practices in the battle against human trafficking. Hasina has won many awards for her crusade against human traffickers, and is a part of various boards and committees of both government and non-government organisations involved in social welfare, development and human rights. She is an Ashoka Fellow, a Fulbright Scholar, as well as a Fellow of the Aspen India Leadership Initiative.

15:00 Tango - Decoding TFGBV: Building Policy and Governance Solutions

Gokul Narayan
Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Asian School of Cyber Laws



Gokul has trained over 100,000 participants, including law students, lawyers, judges, law enforcement officers, chartered accountants, and IT professionals. He has taught at more than 50 prestigious universities and organizations nationwide. Gokul is a respected figure in legal moot courts, mediations, and negotiation competitions, where his insights have shaped the next generation of legal minds. Gokul is currently the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Asian School of Cyber Laws.

Shohini Banerjee
Knowledge Specialist, Point of View



Shohini has spent the last decade working on addressing gender-based violence through prevention and response programming. More recently, her work has been focused on the intersection of gender and technology, including efforts to prevent and respond to technology-facilitated gender based violence. She is currently the knowledge specialist at Point of View.

Kundan Mishra
Senior Program Officer, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)



Kundan is a Senior Program Officer at IDRC in the Democratic and Inclusive Governance division. His work focuses on strengthening civic space, information integrity, forced migration, and climate crisis in Asia.

Vrinda Bhandari
Advocate, Supreme Court of India



Vrinda is a Rhodes Scholar, who graduated from the University of Oxford with a double Masters in Law and Public Policy, and received her undergraduate law degree from NLSIU Bangalore. She is a litigating lawyer in Delhi and specialises in the field of criminal law, digital rights, technology, and privacy. She has been involved in litigation challenging the constitutionality of the Aadhaar Act, internet shutdowns, the surveillance framework in India and has argued multiple cases under POCSO. Vrinda has also worked with UN Women on the problems of technology facilitated gender-based violence and cyber-security.

Sophie Mortimer
Manager, UK Revenge Porn Helpline at SWGfL



Sophie Mortimer is the manager of the UK Revenge Porn Helpline supporting adults affected by intimate image abuse. She is also part of the team supporting the StopNCII.org platform which allows any adult around the world to protect their own images from sharing and resharing across partner platforms. Sophie participates in events in both the UK and globally to raise awareness of intimate image abuse and the help that is available to support survivors. She is a keen proponent of the importance of collaboration across jurisdictional boundaries as a key element in finding solutions to online abuse.

Kanta Singh
Country Representative, a.i. - UN Women India Country Office



Kanta Singh brings over 25 years of experience in managing pro-women development programmes. She has worked with national and international organizations to advance women's participation in the formal economy, sports, and political leadership. Prior to joining UN Women, she served with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for nine years. She currently serves as the Country Representative, a.i. at UN Women India Country Office. A former national-level volleyball player, Kanta is also a Chevening Gurukul Fellow from the University of Oxford.

16:00 Dome - Google

Norman Ng
Head, Trust & Safety Global Engagement, Google



Norman is Google APAC's Head of Trust & Safety Global Engagements. As a global affairs leader under Google's trust and safety team, Norman leads a long term engagement strategy on online and content safety with policymakers, online safety experts, industry leaders and civil society experts. These encompass areas including AI responsibility and safety, youth & family online safety, content moderation, misinformation, elections integrity and online fraud and scams. Norman's career spanned leadership roles in industries across technology, venture capital, startup and government. He currently serves as a board member in the Global Anti-Scam Alliance's Singapore and Philippines chapter and as an advisor to the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) Society.

16:15 Dome - Disconnecting the Scam with Truecaller

Seema Jindal
Head of Public Affairs, Truecaller



Seema Jindal is Head of Public Affairs at Truecaller, where she leads engagement with policymakers, regulators, and industry bodies to strengthen the company's role in shaping India's digital ecosystem infusing trust and safety in the digital communications. With over 25 years of experience, she previously held leadership roles at Airtel, driving regulatory policy, strategy, interconnection, compliance, and audit across the telecom, satellite and broadcasting verticals. Most notably, she spearheaded the implementation of India's pioneering regulatory framework to curb telecom spam using Digital Ledger Technology (DLT). At Truecaller, she champions innovation and transparency while fostering strong partnerships with government

and industry stakeholders to build secure, trusted, and future-ready communications for millions of users. As India's digital economy expands at an unprecedented pace, she advocates for close collaboration between industry and government to create a safe, inclusive, and trustworthy digital ecosystem.

P K Singh
Additional Secretary, TRAI

Rajesh Kumar
CEO, I4C

Vidushi Chaturvedi
Lead Architect, Frontier Tech Hub, Niti Ayog



Vidushi Chaturvedi is Lead Architect at NITI Aayog's Frontier Tech Hub, where she advances India's readiness for frontier technologies including AI, quantum, and biotech. With over 25 years in the Indian Civil Service and public policy, she works across government, academia, and industry to build frameworks that harness emerging technologies for inclusive growth and resilience. She has published on *Feminist Ethics and AI* in the *Handbook of Global Philosophies on AI Ethics: Towards Sustainable Futures* and contributed invited entries on *Gender and AI* and *India: Overview of Regulatory Regime for AI* in the *Edward Elgar Encyclopedia on AI*. Vidushi has an LLM in Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship from Seattle University School of Law and a PhD in International Politics.

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Yannick Ragonneau
Technical Expert, Expertise France



Yannick Ragonneau is the Cybersecurity Thematic Coordinator for the EU-funded ESIWA+ project, enhancing the European Union's cooperation with Asia and the Indo-Pacific on security and defence. With more than 30 years of experience, he has advised governments, international organisations, and the private sector. He is actively engaged in fostering international cooperation and multi-stakeholder dialogue to counter cyber threats, notably online fraud and scams.

Sumeysh Srivastava
Associate Director, The Quantum Hub



Sumeysh is Associate Director at The Quantum Hub, where he leads work on telecom regulation, digital infrastructure, and emerging technology policy. He has worked extensively on issues such as spam regulation, CNAP, trusted network frameworks, and the evolving policy landscape around telecom fraud. At TQH, he advises global platforms and telecom-facing applications on navigating regulatory responses and shaping inputs to public consultations in India's digital economy. His expertise lies in bridging complex regulatory frameworks with practical policy solutions for the telecom and technology sectors.

16:30 Tango - Snap workshop

17:00 Dome - Strengthening AI Integrity: From Moderation to Mitigation (TP)

**Deepesh Gupta,
Senior Director, TP**



Deepesh brings over 15 years of deep domain expertise in IT-enabled services, with a strong focus on Trust & Safety operations across global financial institutions and high-tech enterprises. At TP, he has led quality assurance and service delivery for some of the most complex and sensitive T&S workflows, ranging from content moderation for video streaming platforms to user safety for gaming ecosystems. His experience spans content review and tagging for leading social media platforms, search engines, and e-commerce giants. With a unique ability to identify synergies across diverse T&S environments, Deepesh offers a holistic perspective on operational excellence, risk mitigation, and ethical AI integration. He will be sharing key insights during the Spotlight Event, drawing from his extensive work in safeguarding digital communities at scale.

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9:15 Dome - Dating and Safety

Yoel Roth

Senior Vice President, Head of Trust & Safety, Match Group



Yoel Roth is a trust and safety practitioner and researcher. He is the Senior Vice President of Trust & Safety at Match Group, the parent company of Tinder, Hinge, and more than a dozen other dating apps used by millions of people worldwide. He is also a Non-Resident Scholar at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and was previously the Head of Trust & Safety at Twitter. His research, teaching, and writing focus on trustworthy governance approaches for social media, AI, and other emerging technologies.

Nilanjana Bhowmik
Journalist



Nilanjana Bhowmik is a seasoned journalist, feminist writer, and TEDx speaker whose work focuses on gender equality and social justice. She is the author of two popular and critically acclaimed books on the lives of modern Indian women. Nilanjana has also partnered with UN Women and UNDP India on women's rights campaigns, founded Wednesday Online, a platform dedicated to empowering women through knowledge and information, and was selected for the UN Women AI School 2025 cohort, where she created an AI tool to detect gender bias in language.

10:00 Dome - ESafety Commissioner Video

Julie Inman Grant is Australia's eSafety Commissioner. In this role, Julie leads the world's first government regulatory agency committed to keeping its citizens safer online. Julie has extensive experience in the non-profit and government sectors and spent two decades working in senior public policy and safety roles in the tech industry at Microsoft, Twitter and Adobe. As Commissioner, Julie plays an important global role as Chair of the Child Dignity Alliance's Technical Working Group and as a Board Member of the WePROTECT Global Alliance. The Commissioner also serves on the World Economic Forum's Global Coalition for Digital Safety and on their XR Ecosystem Governance Steering Committee on Building and Defining the Metaverse.

9:30 Tango - Everest Group

Dhruv Khosla
Practice Director, Everest Group



Dhruv Khosla is a Practice Director at Everest Group, specializing in research on trust and safety services. In his role, he spearheads the production of published research, including provider evaluations, annual reports, and thought leadership across topics. Dhruv has collaborated with numerous enterprises, service providers, and technology vendors, providing support in areas such as market opportunity assessments, go-to-market strategy, M&A target identification, benchmarking, and competitive intelligence.

10:15 Dome - Regulatory Sandbox

Ioanna Noula
Founder and Project Lead, COR Sandbox



Dr Ioanna Noula is the founder and project lead of COR Sandbox, the first regulatory sandbox for online safety upholding children's rights. She is a senior researcher and advisor in the areas of children's rights and tech policy. As a trust and safety innovator she co-founded the Internet Commission, a UK-based non-profit organisation that designed and conducted the first ever independent audits of online platforms' content moderation practices. She has worked as an academic researcher in the UK and is currently a Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Digital Policy at University College Dublin.

10:30 Dome - Designing for youth: Privacy, protection, and participation in the digital age

Vaishnavi J
Founder, Vys



Vaishnavi is the founder and principal of Vyanams Strategies (Vys), helping companies, civil society, and governments build healthier online communities for young people. Vys leverages extensive industry experience at leading technology companies to develop tactical product and policy solutions for child safety and privacy. An expert in online child safety, privacy, and age-appropriate design, Vaishnavi was previously the head of youth policy at Meta, supporting age-appropriate design across Instagram, Facebook, VR, and messaging services. She previously led Twitter's video content policies, was their first head of safety in APAC, and served as Google's central child safety policy lead for APAC.

Andras Malnar
Senior Digital Policy Manager, TUM Think Tank



Andras Molnar is Senior Digital Policy Manager & Director of Online Safety at the TUM Think Tank. He leads projects on digital policy, including artificial intelligence, data governance and privacy, cybersecurity, and children in the digital environment, providing evidence-based policy

analysis and guidance to stakeholders. Andras also directs the Think Tank's online safety portfolio.

In addition to his role at the TUM Think Tank, Andras is an Affiliate at Harvard University's Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society, where he lectures and develops research on digital transformation, focusing on how it can be shaped to serve economic and societal priorities.

Jeff Wu

Co- Founder and Chief Safety Officer, K-ID



Jeff Wu is a Co-Founder and Chief Safety Officer for k-ID, a new technology transforming how kids and teens access age-appropriate experiences. Jeff works with government agencies and safety organizations to support k-ID in providing age-appropriate and region-specific feature access in more than 200 markets around the world as well as building out the Family Platform product. Jeff brings almost two decades of experience in Trust & Safety, Government Outreach, and Investigations at top technology companies, including pre-IPO hyper growth stages at both Meta Platforms and Google Inc. He has been recognized for his ability to develop government relationships and drive impactful solutions to combat online abuse while delicately balancing community safety and user privacy on a global scale, including his team receiving the prestigious FBI Director's Award for Excellence in International Operations in 2019.

Anne Collier

Founder and Executive Director, Net Family News, Inc.



A writer and youth rights advocate, Anne Collier is founder and executive director of the US-based nonprofit Net Safety Collaborative and has been chronicling developments in children and teens' tech and media use at NetFamilyNews.org since 1999. She is currently strategy lead in the development of a child

rights-based regulatory sandbox for child online safety and wellbeing, a first in the 25+ year-old field of child online safety. Anne has served on three national task forces on youth Internet safety, advises platforms such as Roblox, YouTube and Yubo and, with scholars at Stanford University, co-edited *Social Media and Youth Mental Health*, published in 2024 by the American Psychiatric Association.

Jyoti Vadehra
Head, Online Safety and Wellbeing, CSR India



Jyoti Vadehra is the Lead Digital Trust and Safety, CSR and founding secretariat of the Alliance for Cyber Trust and Safety (ACTS). A strategic expert in the field, she specializes in online safety and wellbeing, and the design and execution of large-scale online safety projects. Jyoti spearheaded the formation of the ACTS alliance and is dedicated to fostering a safer digital ecosystem at the nexus of Gen AI, child safety and wellbeing, gender equality, and sustainable development. Her experience includes significant contributions to policy advocacy, and she is the first Indian representative on Meta's Board of Global Women's Safety Expert Advisors.

Navpreet Randhawa Senior Director, Trust and Safety, Roblox

11:00 Tango - IGPP - Panel Discussion: CHILDREN'S SAFETY BY DESIGN: POLICY, PRACTICE AND FUTURE

Dr. Rabindra Narayan Behera
Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha and Member of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Communications and Information Technology



Dr. Rabindra Narayan Behera, is a Lok Sabha MP and a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Communications and Information Technology. Dr Behera is a technocrat-turned politician as he served as the Senior Director at the National Informatics Centre (NIC). He also holds a PhD in Artificial Intelligence.

N.S. Nappinai

Senior Advocate, Supreme Court and Founder, CyberSaathi



N.S. Nappinai, Senior Advocate at the Supreme Court of India, is a trailblazing cyber law expert with over 32 years of practice since 1991. She is also a prolific writer and authored 'Technology Laws Decoded,' (2017) and serving as amicus curiae in landmark cases on child pornography and electronic evidence. A global fellow at Stanford and Cranfield Universities, she has trained judiciary and police on cybercrimes. As Founder of Cyber Saathi, empowering women and children-with free resources on cyber safety, privacy rights, and remedies under the IT Act, fostering a secure Digital India.

Chitra Iyer

CEO and Co-founder, Space2Grow



Ms. Chitra Iyer, Co-founder and CEO of Space2Grow, is a visionary social impact leader with over two decades of experience in child protection, anti-human trafficking and skill development. In 2013, she co-founded Livelihood Initiatives for Empowerment (LIFE), designing a presidentially launched skilling program for trafficking survivors. Through Space2Grow, co-founded with Anuj Singhal, she bridges intent to action for non-profits, ensuring digital safety, inclusive livelihoods and child rights via advisory, training and donor mobilization. An advocate for ethical product management and perseverance, she inspires women in the sector to prioritize impact.

Shantaram Jonnalagadda
Director, Yoti



Mr. Shantaram Jonnalagadda, Director at Yoti Biometric Identity Pvt. Ltd., is a visionary leader in digital identity and transformation with over 28 years of global expertise. Appointed Country Head for Yoti India in 2018, he propelled the UK-based privacy-centric digital ID platform's expansion, fostering secure verification for BFSI and fintech sectors. His career spans 14 years at Infosys, entrepreneurial stints in e-commerce and agriculture, and roles at UST and

Algonomy. He is also the co-founder and CEO of Nirvay, a consulting firm providing services around Go-To-Market, Strategy, Innovation, Global Competency Centers, Experience Design, Product and Technology.

11:15 Dome - AI companions for kids: Safety, suitability, and the slippery slope of attachment

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12:15 Dome - Child Influencers in the Creator Economy w/ ASCI

Manisha Kapoor, CEO of Advertising Standards Council of India



Manisha is the CEO and Secretary-General of The Advertising Standards Council of India. Manisha also serves as one of 4 global vice presidents on the executive committee of the International Council for Ad Self-Regulation (ICAS). Manisha brings with her more than 25 years

of brand building and marketing experience, working in large organisations across sectors. Since taking over the helm at ASCI, Manisha has been at the forefront of transforming the organisation into a future ready entity that works collaboratively with different stakeholders to protect the rights of consumers. She has been instrumental in ensuring that advertising self-regulation keeps pace with the fast evolving landscape.

Farshida Zafar LL.M. (X)

Executive Director, Erasmus Centre for Entrepreneurship; CEO, ROOM



Farshida Zafar LL.M. is Executive Director of the Erasmus Centre for Entrepreneurship, CEO of ROOM, leading strategic initiatives in emerging technology and inclusive entrepreneurship. Her visionary leadership has earned national and international recognition, including the Best Campus Development award (2021), Techionista Tech Leader Award (2018), and SURF innovation award (2016). Named to MT/Sprout's Inclusive 30 in 2023, she's recognized as one of the Netherlands' most influential inclusive leaders. With expertise in law, technology, and change management, Farshida drives digital transformation and leads diverse teams to create innovative solutions with meaningful societal impact.

Kriti Trehan

Founder, Data & Co - Law & Policy Advisors



Kriti Trehan is a seasoned tech policy advisor with over a decade of experience in shaping regulation across privacy, digital payments, platform governance, online safety, and AI. She has led tech policy and regulatory strategy at global tech giants like Netflix and Amazon, built and scaled tech law and policy practices at top-tier law firms, and now helms her own consultancy,

Data & Co - Law & Policy Advisors. Based in New Delhi, Kriti advises companies, industry associations, and civil society around the world on emerging tech regulation, bridging commercial needs with responsible innovation and global trends. Outside of work, Kriti enjoys immersing herself in new cultures and cuisines, writing light-hearted poetry, and spending time with Data, the dog.

Barkha Dutt

Award-winning TV journalist, anchor and columnist



Barkha Dutt is one of India's best known broadcast journalists. With close to 30 years of reporting experience Barkha shot to fame with her frontline reporting of the Kargil war in 1999. After two decades with NDTV she left to start her own company, digital platform Mojo Story. She is the winner of more than 60 national and international awards including India's fourth highest civilian honour, the Padmashri. She has also been recognised as a Global Leader for Tomorrow by the World Economic Forum. Barkha Dutt is a columnist with the Washington Post, Hindustan Times, The Week, and Dainik Bhaskar.

12:30 Tango SafetiPin

13:00 Dome - Amt. Annapurna Devi

Smt. Annapurna Devi

Hon'ble Union Cabinet Minister of Women & Child Development, Government of India



Annapurna Devi is the Minister of Women and Child Development of India. She was elected to the Bihar Legislative Assembly in 1998, 2000 and 2005. She held the positions of Minister of State for Ministry of Mines and Geology, Government of Bihar in 2000 and Cabinet Minister, Ministry of Irrigation, Women and Child Welfare, Registration, Government of Jharkhand during 2012-2014. She was elected as Member of Parliament to 17th Lok Sabha in 2019. She held the position as Union Minister of State, Ministry of Education from July, 2021 onwards. She headed an expert committee on Revision of RTE (Right to Education) in view of National Education

Policy 2020. In the 2024 General Elections, she has been re-elected to the Lok Sabha from Koderma Parliamentary Constituency in Jharkhand. She also functioned as Chairperson, Committee on Women & Child Welfare, Jharkhand Legislative Assembly during 2005-2009. She was Member, Committee on Empowerment of Women and also Member, Consultative Committee, Ministry of Power and Ministry of New and Renewable Energy from 2019 to 2021. She is a Post Graduate from Ranchi University.

14:15 Dome - Advancing Women's Voices in Public Life

Bansuri Swaraj
Member of Parliament, Government of India



Bansuri Swaraj is an Indian lawyer and politician currently serving as Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) for New Delhi. She earned her BA in English Literature from the University of Warwick, studied law at BPP Law School and qualified as a Barrister from the Inner Temple, completing a Master of Studies at Oxford University.

14:30 Dome - Responding to TFGBV - What's Working and What's Next

Barsha Chakraborty
Feminist Practitioner



Barsha Chakraborty is a feminist practitioner working at the intersection of gender, technology, and social change. Her work focuses on addressing tech-facilitated gender-based violence, gendered disinformation, and the impact of emerging technologies on women and marginalised communities. With over a decade of experience, Barsha brings deep expertise in shaping

narratives through social and behaviour change communication, and in designing evidence-based programmes and impact strategies that challenge oppressive gender norms and advocate for digital rights and justice. She is passionate about reimagining technology as a space for inclusion, dignity, and equality.

Breeze Liu
Founder and CEO, Alecto AI



Breeze Liu is a globally recognized entrepreneur and activist reshaping the global response to online abuse. She is the founder and CEO of Alecto AI, a groundbreaking company building AI-powered infrastructure to combat online image abuse. Through her nonprofit, the Alecto Foundation, she also leads survivor-centered policy reform and international coalition building. As a survivor of both CSAM and deepfake abuse, Breeze transformed personal trauma into structural change—spearheading the historic "Take It Down Act", the first U.S. federal law to criminalize non-consensual intimate imagery and deepfake exploitation. Prior to founding Alecto AI, Breeze led Trust & Safety initiatives in Big Tech and built a successful career in venture capital. A graduate of UC Berkeley in Peace & Conflict Studies, she combines legal foresight, technical innovation, and philosophical depth to build scalable systems of justice. Breeze's work has been featured in The New York Times, People Magazine, Wired, and on national television across continents.

Shanley Clemot McLaren
Feminist Activist and Global Expert on Gender Digital Rights, United Nations Young Activist Laureate, Founder of #StopFisha.



Shanley Clemot McLaren founded #StopFisha, one of the world's first organizations against online gender-based violence. She has shaped national, European, and international policies, contributing to the EU's Digital Services Act, AI Act, and Directive on violence against women, as well as France's SREN Law. From 2023 to 2025, as Gender and Digital Policy Advisor at France's Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, she shaped the Laboratory for women's rights online - the first international and multistakeholder platform dedicated to find transnational solutions against online and technology- facilitated gender-based violence. She also spearheaded initiatives at the AI Action Summit and the United Nations, securing groundbreaking commitments on gender equality and AI.

Rakesh Maheshwari

Fmr Senior Director (Retd.), Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India



Rakesh Maheshwari is a former Government Officer having worked for more than 35 years in Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and retired as Sr. Director and Group Coordinator, Cyber Law and data Governance. He had also been Group Co-ordinator Cyber Security and CERT-In in the Ministry. He is an Engineer in Electronics and Comm from Delhi College of Engg. He handled activities related to Information Technology (IT) Act, Cyber Security policies, Social media regulation, Personal data protection Bill, in various capacities including as Group Co-ordinator (GC) Cyber Law, GC Cyber Security, GC for CERT-In, GC for UIDAI and Designated Officer for section 69A of IT Act. He was closely associated with the drafting and implementation of various regulations governing India's online space.

Steven Biddle

Minister Counsellor, Department of Home Affairs, Australian High Commission



Steven Biddle has been working as the Minister Counsellor for the Department of Home Affairs since February 2024. Steven has regional responsibility for the Department's remit in India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal and Sri Lanka. Steven is responsible for helping to build greater cybersecurity cooperation between Australia and South Asian Countries. Steven's previous assignments include working as the Assistant Secretary for Privacy, freedom of Information and Records Management, Regional Manager for Compliance, Status Resolution and Detention Operations and Regional Director of Queensland for the Department of Home Affairs. Steven has also led Australia's settlement program for new migrants and refugees.

Caroline Humer
Co Founder, Trust & Safety Festival



Caroline Humer is a global child protection and digital safety expert with over 20 years of experience across non-profits, government, and the tech industry. She has worked at the U.S. National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and later at the International Centre for Missing & Exploited Children. Transitioning into the trust and safety field, Caroline mobilizes multi-stakeholder coalitions and tech firms to combat online harms, leading to the founding of the Trust & Safety Forum in 2022. In addition, Caroline co-founded STISA (Survivors & Tech Solving Image-based Sexual Abuse), the world's first NGO focused with survivor centric approach to combatting image based sexual abuse online.

14:00 Tango - Sandboxing a Regulatory Sandbox for Child Online Safety: Join Us by Ioanna Noulas

Ioanna Noulas
Founder and Project Lead, COR Sandbox



Dr Ioanna Noulas is the founder and project lead of COR Sandbox, the first regulatory sandbox for online safety upholding children's rights. She is a senior researcher and advisor in the areas of children's rights and tech policy. As a trust and safety innovator she co-founded the Internet Commission, a UK-based non-profit organisation that designed and conducted the first ever independent audits of online platforms' content moderation practices. She has worked as an academic researcher in the UK and is currently a Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Digital Policy at University College Dublin.

16:00 Tango - CLOSED DOOR: Bridging Influence and Policy - a roundtable on Responsible Content Creation

15:15 Dome - Chat w/ Meity

S. Krishnan

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India



S. Krishnan is Secretary of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India. Krishnan has been a member of the Indian Administrative Services since 1989 and has wide experience in a range of assignments in the Government of Tamil Nadu, Government of India and International Monetary Fund. Civil servant and a member of Indian Administrative Service since 1989. Specialised in Public Finance, policy making and governance

Karuna Nain

Online Safety Expert/ Advisor, Centre for Social Research



Karuna Nain is a global online safety expert with two decades' experience in technology policy, safety strategy, government affairs and communications. She advises technology companies, non-profits and governments on building safer digital ecosystems through practical policy, product design and stakeholder engagement. Karuna spent a decade at Meta and served as Global Safety Policy Director, leading work on child safety and well-being, women's safety and suicide prevention. She co-founded StopNCII.org with UK charity SWGfL and serves on its Board of Trustees.

15:40 Dome - Well-being for T&S Workers w/ Fortis

Swati Chawla

Director of Global Operational Wellness, TP



Swati Chawla is the Director of Global Operational Wellness at Teleperformance. She leads the implementation of wellness strategies that support trust and safety professionals globally. With over two decades of experience in organizational psychology and wellness, Swati has built scalable frameworks that strengthen resilience, improve employee wellness, and enable sustainable performance in high-intensity trust & safety environments. Her work focuses on establishing measurable outcomes, and fostering a culture of inclusion and psychological safety. Recognized for her contributions to workplace health, Swati has received multiple industry awards. She holds a Master's in Psychology and Sociology.

Uma Subramanian

Co-Founder & Director, RATI Foundation



Uma is a social worker & specialist in child protection and women's rights with over 15 years of experience in grassroots intervention, survivor support, and systems advocacy. She co-founded RATI Foundation and the Aarambh India Initiative, which received the Presidential National Award in 2017 for pioneering CSAM reporting in India. At RATI, she leads victim-centric responses to gender-based violence online and on-ground, engages in government advocacy, and drives program implementation. A master trainer in child protection, she has trained more than 2,000 stakeholders nationwide. Uma was recognized as an 'Agent of Change' by the Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India.

Ayush Verma
Senior Analyst, T&S, Resolver



Ayush Verma is Senior Analyst, Trust & Safety, at Resolver, leading a team in India to identify, assess, and mitigate nuanced risks in hate speech, violent extremism, and graphic violence across Indic languages. With an MA in International Relations and over three years in trust and safety, he has authored policy-relevant research, including contributions to Combating Terrorism Center (CTC) Sentinel and the book *The Islamic State in Afghanistan & Pakistan*. Ayush's expertise in geopolitical risk, threat intelligence, and policy shaping drives his mission to create safer online spaces, protecting global communities from emerging threats in the online ecosystem.

Dr. Samir Parikh
Director, Department of Mental Health and Behavioral Sciences, Fortis Mental Health



Dr. Samir Parikh is an eminent Psychiatrist and the Director of Department of Mental Health and Behavioural Sciences, Fortis Healthcare. He has done his graduation (MBBS), and Post-graduation (DPM and MD-psychiatry) from Civil hospital, Ahmedabad, and topped the university in both. He is one of the leading academic experts in the field of mental health and conducts training programmes and courses for doctors, Psychologists and allied specialities, and has initiated several awareness campaigns for the community.

16:30 Dome - PANEL: Strong & Seen: How Women Are Leading Learning, Enterprise, and Solidarity Online

Iqra Choudhary
Member of Parliament, Kairana, Uttar Pradesh



Iqra Hasan Choudhary, is one of Lok Sabha's youngest MPs, elected in 2024, and representing Kairana, Uttar Pradesh, from the Samajwadi Party. A graduate from SOAS University, UK, in international politics and governance, she has emerged as a strong advocate for women's representation, minority rights, and youth leadership in Parliament. She frequently engages in debates on gender equity and constitutional protections, and is a member of multiple key parliamentary committees like Health and Family Welfare, Estimates, and Empowerment of Women. With her dynamic presence, she is being watched as an influential young leader reshaping inclusive politics in North India.

Laxmi
Co-Producer, Khabar Lahariya



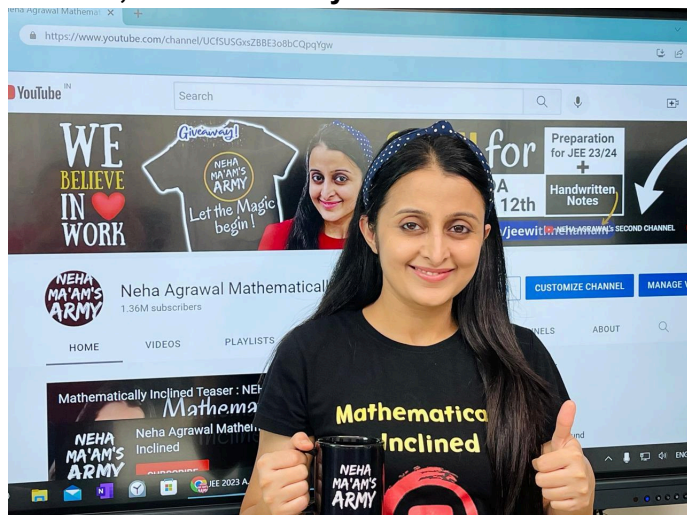
A native of Madhopur Chhata village, from the Sheohar district of Bihar, Lakshmi joined Khabar Lahariya in 2010 as a reporter. She went on to run the Bihar edition of the Khabar Lahariya print newspaper before moving onto the production side of things in the Delhi newsroom, where she headed the production desk and became Senior Producer at KL in 2015. Since 2019, Lakshmi has moved up to the core leadership at Chambal Media, where she currently leads the production as senior producer of special features, including shorts, documentaries, podcasts, and animations.

Dr. Cuterus (Dr. Tanaya)
Content Creator & Educator, YouTube



The pioneer of the medical content creation niche in India, Dr. Tanaya is extremely passionate about public health education. After graduating from the University of Oxford, Dr Tanaya established her award winning online educational initiative - Dr Cuterus, and over the past three years has grown to become the most followed medical professional in India across several platforms, with a bestselling book, and a critically acclaimed podcast - highlighting her expertise in communicating complex and often taboo health topics to a large number of people. Her work focuses on sexual, reproductive, and menstrual health education, a highly stigmatised area of health & education. She envisions an equitable, healthier, and happier world using science, humour, and education for us all - a mission she has started by revolutionising the sex education landscape in India.

Neha Agrawal **Founder, Mathematically Inclined**



Neha Agrawal is one of India's celebrated Math educators for IIT-JEE and engineering entrances, with over 17 years of teaching experience. She is also the founder of Mathematically Inclined, her YouTube channel has empowered 5 million+ students, amassing 1.7M+ subscribers and 270M+ views - all built single-handedly. Further, she has been honored by India's HRD Minister and featured in The Hindu Business Line, ThePrint, and Oxford Economics. She is a recognized force in revolutionizing Math education, a 5X TEDx Speaker, and keynote speaker at top IITs/NITs/IIITs.

Aparajita Bharti **Founding Partner, The Quantum Hub**



Aparajita Bharti is the founding partner of The Quantum Hub (TQH), a leading public policy firm based out of Delhi, and co-founder of the Young Leaders for Active Citizenship (YLAC) that works with young people to increase their participation in democratic processes. Aparajita advises various technology companies and thus has extensive experience navigating issues of online trust and safety. At TQH, she spearheads the organisation's work on women's economic empowerment, children's online privacy and safety, and women's online safety.

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