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**FOURTH PAN-IIM WORLD MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 2016**

**13 December 2016, Ahmedabad:** Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA) will host the **Fourth Pan-IIM World Management Conference** during December 13-15, 2016 at Ahmedabad. This is an annual event organized by the Indian Institutes of Management. The previous editions of the conference were organised by IIM Calcutta (2013), IIM Kozhikode (2014) and IIM Indore (2015).

The conference provides an excellent opportunity for academicians, researchers, practitioners, policy makers and thought leaders to exchange their ideas and foster collaboration. Academicians, researchers, doctoral scholars and practitioners will present their research papers in all areas of management, interact, network and take feedback on their work.

The inauguration of the conference is scheduled for December 13 from 9.30am-11am. The keynote speaker for the conference will be Prof. Peter Ronald deSouza, Professor, Centre for the Study of Developing Studies, Delhi and Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Chair. Directors of top 13 IIMs will be present at the inauguration function and will participate in a panel discussion from 11.45am – 1pm.

**Conference Theme:**

There is a need to better understand various facets of functioning of the Indian governance systems and associated organizations (both public and private), such as the leadership of enterprises, public administration, decision making processes (including the political setting in which decisions are made), program implementation challenges, and the evaluation of the effectiveness of government policies and initiatives aimed at bringing improvements that better serve public interest.

The theme of this conference invites researchers to explore the management lessons from successful public and private organizations and institutions that can be applied to the Indian government and its associated organisations (public and private) in order to make them more efficient and effective.

**About Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA)**

Established in 1961, the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (IIMA) is recognized globally for excellence in management education. One of the top management schools in the world, IIMA educates leaders of the enterprises. The Institute’s strategic priorities include: strengthening connection with its various constituencies, including academics, practitioners, alumni, and the community; nurturing a high performance work environment of stretch, autonomy, and teamwork; and strategic growth while maintaining emphasis on quality. As per the latest ranking by The Economist, IIMA is No. 1 School in the world on the parameter of opening up new career opportunities for students. The flagship Post Graduate Programme (PGP) is ranked 16th in the Financial Times Masters in Management Ranking 2016. As per the Financial Times’ Global MBA Ranking 2016, IIMA’s Post Graduate Programme for Executives (PGPX) is ranked 24th in the World.

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