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Early Childhood Education Global Conference 2011



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ITC Maratha, Mumbai, India

A galaxy of ECE experts

The EW-ECE Global Conference will be addressed by globally-reputed ECE experts and preschool edupreneurs. They include:



SALLY MAY TAN

Keynote speaker: 'Growing awareness about importance of preschool education in Asia'

Sally May Tan is chief executive officer, Knowledge Universe, South-east Asia — the world's largest proprietorial preschools company. An alumna of National University of Singapore, she has more than 23 years of experience in marketing and business development in the Asia Pacific and global contexts.



DR. JEREMY WILLIAMS

Keynote speaker: 'New discoveries in brain research and the growing importance of quality ECE'

Dr. Williams is chief academic officer of Knowledge Universe Pte Ltd, Singapore which owns and manages the Odyssey brand of preschools in Singapore and South-east Asia. A pioneer of online education, Dr. Williams has held senior positions at U21Global and Queensland University of Technology, Australia



DILIP THAKORE

Chairperson: Panel discussion — Should Central/ state governments regulate early childhood education?

Dilip Thakore is former founder editor of *Business India* and *Businessworld* and publisher/editor of *EducationWorld* — India's pioneer education news and analysis magazine.



ARUN KHETAN

Panelist

Arun Khetan is the former CEO of Kidzee, Roots 2 Wings and currently the promoter-CEO of the Mumbai-based New Age Knowledge Solutions (NAKS, estb. 2009), which operates 135 preschools under the brand name I Play I Learn.

**FARIDA LAMBAY****Panelist**

Farida Lambay is co-founder and trustee of Pratham, one of India's largest and most influential education NGOs, and member of the Maharashtra State Commission for the Protection of Child Rights.

**DR. REETA SONAWAT****Panelist**

Dr. Sonawat is professor and head, department of human development at S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai. Selected global leader 'Early Care and Education' (2005) by the World Forum Foundation, Montreal, Sonawat has authored several books and research papers on ECE.

**PRAJODH RAJAN****Panelist: New innovations making preschool education more effective**

Prajodh Rajan is chief executive of EuroKids International Ltd, India's largest preschool education company with 29 owned and 783 franchised ECE institutions in 280 urban habitations countrywide.

**DR. MITHU ALUR****Panelist**

Dr. Alur is founder chairperson of ADAPT (formerly Spastics Society of India) and member Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE). A pioneer in the field of inclusive education, Dr. Alur has been crusading for the rights of disabled children for the past 36 years.

**KAVITA GUPTA SABHARWAL****Panelist**

An alumna of Harvard Business School, Kavita Sabharwal is the Bangalore-based promoter-managing director of Neev Schools Pvt. Ltd. Currently, the four Neev preschools in Bangalore host an aggregate 450 children mentored by 85 teachers.

ECE Global Conference 2011 agenda

9.00-9.10: Inauguration and lamp lighting

9.10-9.20: Introduction by Dilip Thakore, Editor, *EducationWorld*

9.20-9.40: Keynote address by Sally May Tan — Growing awareness about importance of preschool education in Asia

9:40-10.00: Q&A session with Sally May Tan

10.00-10.20: Tea Break

10.20-12.00: Panel Discussion — Should Central/state governments regulate early childhood education?

Chairperson: Dilip Thakore

Panelists: Farida Lambay, Reeta Sonawat & Arun Khetan

Q&A session with panelists

12.00-1.00: India's Most Admired Preschools 2011 Awards (Part I)

1.00-1.45: Lunch

1.45-2.10: Keynote address by Dr. Jeremy Williams — New discoveries in brain research and the growing importance of quality ECE

2.10-2.30: Q&A session with Dr. Williams

2.30-4.00: Panel Discussion — New innovations making preschool education more effective

Chairperson: Sally May Tan

Panelists: Prajodh Rajan, Kavita Sabharwal & Mithu Alur

Q&A session with panelists

4.00-4.15: Tea Break

4.15-5.15: India's Most Admired Preschools 2011 Awards (Part II)

5.15-5.20: Vote of Thanks by Bhavin Shah

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