



Peer-to-Peer (P2P) talk on

## **DEMYSTIFYING YOUR STARTUP BOARD**

## **Getting the Most Out of Your Board of Directors**

- Organized by Venture Center

About P2P talks	Peer-to-peer talks are sessions offering practical tips and pointers from fellow entrepreneurs who are experts on a specific topic or have "cracked" or excelled in a certain aspect of the entrepreneurial journey. These sessions provide an opportunity to network and interact with fellow incubatees. These sessions can also be used to obtain important leads and referrals.
Learn	Selection of the board is a critical aspect for a startup, and is one of the most important things a CEO will do. Getting your board right isn't very complicated, but its implications are critical. Hence, in this P2P event, we will be addressing some of the following topics:  How to form and organize a board of directors When do you need to form a board? Choosing and recruiting board members Managing your board members and their expectations Managing conflicts with board members Common misconceptions and mistakes How to run an effective board meeting – best practices Experiences of fellow entrepreneurs
Format of the talk	30 min: Introduction and general comments 30 min: Experience sharing by entrepreneurs and moderated Q&A session
Organized by	Venture Center, Pune
For whom	Resident and associate incubatees at Venture Center
When	Tuesday   19 <sup>th</sup> December 2017   Time 16:00-17:00 hrs (tea and coffee will be available before the event)
Where	Training Room, Venture Center, 100 NCL Innovation Park Dr. Homi Bhabha Road, Pashan, Pune-411008
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Cost	<ul> <li>Free event but prior registration required</li> <li>Register online at: <a href="http://bit.ly/2nJliFY">http://bit.ly/2nJliFY</a></li> <li>Organizers reserve the right to select participants so as to maximize learning and networking opportunities for the group.</li> </ul>

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## **SPEAKER PROFILES**

**Premnath V** (Will be presenting a board member's viewpoint at the event)



Director, Venture Center

Dr V Premnath holds a B Tech from IIT, Mumbai and PhD from Massachusetts Institute of technology, USA. He has also been a Chevening Technology Enterprise Fellow with the Centre for Scientific Enterprises, London Business School and Cambridge University, UK. He has been with National Chemical Laboratory since 1997. He brings with him considerable experience in technology development and commercialization (two successfully commercialized families of products), working with start-up companies (in Cambridge-UK and India) and engaging with large corporations on research and consulting projects as project leader. He heads NCL Innovation Park and IP Group , NCL.

He has been on several boards and will be sharing his learning experiences on the importance of board credibility and networks, dynamics of a board amongst other things.

Manisha Premnath (Will be presenting a board member's viewpoint at the event)

General Manager and Chief Operations Officer, Venture Center



Dr. Manisha leads and manages a team that works closely with entrepreneurs and technologists to promote and support scientific inventive startups. She is responsible for setting up Venture Center's scientific facilities, and has led a team in developing and launching the BIRAC Bioincubator.

She is a Biotechnologist by training with a PhD from University of Pune CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory, Pune, India. During her PhD work, she was a British Council Higher Education Visiting Scholar at the University of Aberdeen, UK. She also has post doctoral experience at the University of Cambridge, UK. Her academic training and research experience spans microbiology, fungal biotechnology, and molecular biology.

She brings with her considerable board experience, including her role as an Independent & Non-Executive Director at IPCA Laboratories Limited since September 22, 2014. IPCA is a stock exchange listed company, where the levels of scrutiny are higher, and she will be happy to share her insights on her experience at IPCA.



**Parul Ganju** (Will be presenting an entrepreneur's viewpoint at the event)

Dr. Parul is the co-founder and executive director of Ahammune Biosciences. She carried out her PhD in the area of skin biology at National Institute of Immunology, Delhi. Subsequently, she joined as Inspire-Faculty at CSIR-IGIB, Delhi. She's now moved on to pursue her entrepreneurial dream with Ahammune, where she aims to translate her scientific knowledge into applications relevant to the Indian society.

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**Tanuj Gigras** (Will be presenting an entrepreneur's viewpoint at the event)

Tanuj is the founder of Nayam Innovations. He holds a Btech and Mtech in Engineering Physics with specialization in nanotechnology from IIT Bombay and has previously worked as an investment banker with Credit Suisse, a large Swiss Investment Bank. He brings with him a unique combination of technology, business and finance.