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Now more than ever, it is critical to bring the best of government and the private sector together to address today's challenges and move forward with tomorrow's solutions. USISPF creates a peer-to-peer environment that fosters the dialogue, collaboration and commitment to move our great countries forward by emphasizing the greater good.

Ajay Banga President, World Bank Group



USISPF is creating a new model for collaboration between not just the United States and India, but the rest of the world. From mentoring startups, to advocating for ease of doing business and forming consortiums on some of the most pressing challenges that governments and citizens face today, USISPF has been able to achieve what we set out to do.

John Chambers Chairman Emeritus, Cisco Founder & CEO, JC2 Ventures

When USISPF was founded, our goal was to go beyond traditional policy issues and into new areas that would form the foundation of a long-term, mutually beneficial partnership between the United States and India, including cybersecurity, data, agriculture, and healthcare. Going forward, we have the unique focus and expertise to advance these critical areas and, ultimately, strengthen the bonds of friendship and commerce between two of the world's leading democracies.

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The US-India Strategic Partnership Forum considers both the commercial and strategic components of the bilateral relationship, and constructively works to identify opportunities and address challenges in a manner that supports a strong and enduring relationship between both countries

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With decades of experience and assured contacts at the highest levels of government and business, we are uniquely positioned to influence policy on behalf of our membership in the United and in India

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The world is on the brink of seismic change with shifts in technology, industry, and society as a whole. USISPF is uniquely positioned to bring together bi-lateral leadership from across sectors to drive economic growth while creating pathways for all people to thrive in this new world.

Punit Renjen **Global CEO Emeritus**, Deloitte

USISPF is uniquely positioned to help the United States and India continue to forge a strong and lasting strategic cooperation which will benefit the businesses and economies of both countries for years to come.

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The US-India Strategic Partnership Forum provides a trusted channel to connect governments, businesses, and most importantly people interested in moving both countries forward in the 21st century

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The work that USISPF has accomplished demonstrates the possibilities that can emanate from the prominent connections between two globally strategic powers.

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We at the USISPF are proud to be well positioned to bridge the relationship between the countries-- across administrations and generations

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Since its founding in 2017, USISPF has significantly enhanced our bilateral commercial and strategic ties and leveraged the power of business and government collaboration for the betterment of our peoples.

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USISPF's relationships, expertise and commitment to a strategic partnership between the U.S. and India are unparalleled

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### **Economic and Commercial Ties**

USISPF's economic and commercial work includes business policy advocacy and opportunities to benefit from commercial growth. Our policy and business experts offer multiple platforms for guiding cross-border business growth, advocating for business-friendly policy, and connecting foreign investors with opportunities. Our expertise and relationships translate to a bespoke approach tailored to each company.





### People to People Ties

The strength and foundation of the U.S.-India relationship is the people-to-people ties. To strengthen the U.S.-India relationship, we work with non-business and non-government organizations to drive diverse cultural and purpose-driven collaborations between the United States and India in the fields of culture, sports, higher education, philanthropy, and inclusive innovation to create meaningful opportunities with the power to change the lives of citizens in both countries.

### Geopolitical and Security Convergence

Collaboration between the United States, India, and like-minded countries is critical to addressing the global order's geopolitical challenges. USISPF works with its network of global member companies, government leaders, and other stakeholders to provide a platform that helps collaborate and cooperate in emerging and critical technologies and reduces supply chain dependencies by making them more resilient.



# ABOUT US

USISPF is a non-profit, non-governmental, and non-partisan organization with offices in Washington, D.C. and New Delhi. USISPF's members represent over \$10 trillion in annual revenue with over 6 million employees.

USISPF bridges the gap between business and government by fostering closer public-private partnerships across the two countries. Our three pillars are: Economic and Commercial Ties; Geopolitical and Security Convergence; and People to People Ties.

# MISSION

The US-India Strategic Partnership Forum's (USISPF) mission is to build, advocate, and facilitate partnerships between the United States and India by enabling stakeholder dialogues, white papers, and specialized consultations.

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## **USISPF** Initiatives

### U.S.-India Tax Forum



The U.S.-India Tax Forum is USISPF's specialised tax policy platform.

The Tax Forum leads engagements with tax policymakers at both the federal and state level and helps in furthering recommendations that propel the ease of doing business environment and mitigating tax barriers to entry.

Launched in 2020, the Tax forum has since been a trusted platform bringing together public sector policymakers, global tax experts, and the business community at large to engage and advocate for a tax environment that is conducive.

### Trade Task Force



The Forum's Trade Task force is focused on proactively identifying strategies to strengthen the bilateral trading relationship. The Task force focuses on policy issues that impact industry invested in India and exporting to India. In addition to bilateral issues, the Task force looks at India's trade policy in the region and actions at WTO as it relates to U.S. industry issues.

### **Climate and Sustainability**



### South Asia Women in Energy (SAWIE) – South Asia Women in Energy

The South Asia Women in Energy (SAWIE) is a joint initiative by the US Agency for International Development (USAID) and the U.S.-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF). SAWIE touches on two core aspects pertinent to India's growth, energy security and bridging the gender gap. SAWIE engages women professionals in the energy sector by focusing on outreach, mentorship and leadership, and professional development to help overcome these obstacles. SAWIE identifies and works with women leaders to promote gender-inclusive policies and motivates more women to seek careers in energy.

### Hydrogen Task Force

USISPF has partnered with the US Trade and Development Agency to launch the US India Climate Technologies Action Group which facilitates the exchange of technology and capital to accelerate the clean energy sector. The Hydrogen Task Force is a collaboration with the Indian Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and the US Department of Energy to integrate the private sector into the deployment of hydrogen technologies.

### Climate Technologies Action Group

Launched in 2021, The US-India Climate Technologies Action Group (CTAG) is a joint project of the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) and the US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF). The CTAG integrates private and public sector inputs on concrete initiatives that contribute to advanced global action on climate, facilitate U.S. industry input on the latest climate-resilient technologies, share US business models with the Indian market to accelerate the development of the clean energy sector, mobilize capital for climate-smart infrastructure projects in India and strengthen the US-India bilateral relationship.

## **USISPF** Initiatives

### U.S.-India Friendship Alliance

The US-India Friendship Alliance (USIFA) is a New York-based 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization founded in 2004 to foster cultural, educational, and socioeconomic ties between the United States and India. By working with experts from government, business, academia, and civil society, USIFA creates collaborations that bridge the gap between values and meaningful change.

The Alliance focuses on healthcare access, educational opportunity, women's empowerment, environmental awareness and cultural enhancement. Our outreach and advocacy allows us to fund high impact initiatives that uplift vulnerable Indian communities neglected by conventional charities.



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# Letter from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

As the most important strategic partnership of the 21st century, the relationship between India and the United States is built on the foundation of a commitment to democratic ideals. The two countries share strategic interests in trade and defense and deep collaboration in the areas of energy, financial services, advanced technology, space, education and healthcare. At USISPF, we are grateful for the opportunity to serve the collective mission of many to strengthen the bond between the two countries.

The strength of the diaspora and the affinity that our people share makes clear the vast potential between the two countries when combined with corporate and government engagement. USISPF is the platform specifically designed to turn this potential into reality.

Together with advocates in both countries, USISPF is committed to creating the most powerful partnership between the United States and India. We look forward to having you join us on this journey.

Best Regards,

Mukesh Aghi President and CEO US-India Strategic Partnership Forum



