



A NOTE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

Greetings!

We write this brief note as we come to the end of our term in 2020-21. Looking back, what a rollercoaster ride it has been. The last year will always be the year dominated by our fight against a global pandemic and our perseverance to manage an economic downslide of an unprecedented scale. And yet, it is also a year that taught us so much. Many of us took stock of our personal and professional lives, investing in moments that mattered to our families and our health and wellness, while sustaining satisfactory business outcomes for our respective organizations. It is a year that challenged the status quo of many industries, including our own, and pushed the boundaries of how, where and when we worked, all thanks to technological innovations and the spirit of human resilience and creativity.

While we were forced to accept the reality on missed opportunities with the new “normal” suddenly imposed on us, we also identified newer methods of staying connected and delivering value to members. Of course, none of this would have been possible without the support and agility demonstrated by our members in our various chapter events and initiatives. For this, thank you for making last year, a year of triumph and resilience. A year where we emerged together, stronger and more connected as a CRE community.

As we write this, we do see some hope on the horizon. With many organizations continuing to work from home, health and safety will continue to be prerogatives for all. The increasing number of vaccinations, will hopefully, help organizations increase their appetite on their “return to office” plans. We hope this sentiment will drive the narrative of the events and activities the India chapter hopes to resume, starting with small-group networking events. While it is still too early to pre-empt the emerging trends, stay tuned to see how best you can get involved and network in the second half of 2021. On our part, we remain committed to ensuring we host versatile event formats and curate content that can serve the needs of our diverse group of members.

We would like to inform our members that we are currently in the process of finalizing our Board for 2021-22. Late last year, the Chapter Board voted on a resolution to make the co-chair position a two-year term whereby only one co-chair rotates off a year. This change will allow the co-chairs to better deliver on long term goals as well as orient the incoming co-chair and give them an opportunity to learn the ropes alongside one existing co-chair. More details on the Board structure will follow shortly.

Last but not the least, it gives us immense pleasure to announce that the CoreNet India Global Chapter is now a community of 1,000+ followers on LinkedIn. This is a small yet significant milestone in our journey that will only help us further develop our goal of being the fastest growing CRE network in India and be your preferred partner for all CRE matters. If you haven’t already renewed your membership, we encourage you to do so now and get engaged. We look forward to interacting with all members, existing and new to make ours a stronger community.

Until we meet again, stay safe, stay healthy, and take care!



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01 Informative Webinars

In the previous 2 quarters we hosted webinars on an array of interesting topics like: “Climate Change Solutions for Workplace Design”; An interesting conversation on “Introverted Leadership in an Extroverted CRE Industry”, an exclusive informational presentation on “Building Your Personal Brand” on LinkedIn, a “Speed Networking” event for Young Leaders of CoreNet Global India Chapter and a “Fireside Chat” on Proptech in the CRE Industry.

02 Interactive Sessions

Fridays were reserved for the much-awaited Virtual Happy Hour sessions where we gave members and non-members a platform and an opportunity to discuss the on-going trends in the industry. In the last 2 quarters, the topics ranged from “The Future of Work is Flexible”, “Covid's Impact and the Changing Landscape of CRE in Tier 2 Cities” to a lively new member orientation / networking session.

03 Global CRE Week

This year marked the launch of the first edition of CRE week in March 2021 and was designed to upskill, permeate and connect the rest of the world with how the economy is developed and how an underrated profession like real estate aids in economic expansion through the choices made in terms of places, people and efficiency. This was a socio-virtual event and offered its viewers daily content, an opportunity to engage, and activities planned for each day throughout the week.

MEMBERS SECTION

Welcome New Members

Abraham Marian

Global Operations Supervisor, CBRE South Asia

Amit Bhatia

Director- Operations, North India, WeWork India Management

Aniket Ahuja

Student, Lala Lajpat Rai College Of Commerce & Economics

Anil Raju Alluri

Sr. Manager Facilities, Oracle

Anuradha Mukherjee

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Vice President, Workspace Development, ANSR Consulting Inc

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AVP – Business Development (RE), Bangalore International Airport

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Business Applications Manager, CBRE

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- Amit Lall, Sodexo

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- Uma Vinay Kumar, Cisco

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- Vipul Jain, Tata Realty & Infrastructure

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