



India Summit 2024

Empowering excellence: Unleashing the potential of partnerships and collaboration in indian higher education

8-11 Feb | Chennai, India

Post event report

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KULDIP SARMA, CO FOUNDER & PRO-CHANCELLOR,
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“The QS India Summit provides a wonderful platform for networking with the peers”

SURESH PONNAN, DEAN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS,
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“Extremely delighted to be a part of QS India Summit 2024 at Chennai and it was really immersive, learning and networking opportunities. Big Thanks to QS for conducting such events.”

DR SAKKTHIVEL ANNAMALAI MANICKAM,
PROFESSOR AND DEAN-ACADEMICS AND
ACCREDITATION, KUMARAGURU COLLEGE OF LIBERAL
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“I have no doubt that the QS India Summit 2025 will serve as a platform for insightful discussions, collaborative partnerships, and meaningful connections among stakeholders in academia, industry, and government. By addressing key challenges and seizing opportunities, together, we can work towards building a more inclusive, accessible, and quality-driven education system.”

VIVEK GUPTA, CHRO & REGISTRAR, SHARDA
UNIVERSITY



Overview: Collaboration takes center stage

The recently concluded **QS India Summit 2024**, held in **Chennai** from **February 8th to 11th**, saw leading figures in international higher education gather to discuss the theme of “**Empowering Excellence: Unleashing the Potential of Partnerships and Collaboration in Indian Higher Education.**”

Key Highlights:

- **Focus on NEP2020:** Discussions centered around the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP2020) and its potential to drive social and economic development in line with India’s vision for Vikasit Bharat 2047.
- **Industry-Academia Partnerships:** Panel sessions delved into strategies for fostering stronger university-industry collaboration, emphasizing real-world impact, preparing students for future workforce needs, and addressing the skilled labor shortage.
- **Global Collaboration:** Delegates and speakers represented institutions from across the globe, including Australia, New Zealand, the US, the UK, and Ireland, emphasizing the importance of international partnerships in achieving excellence.
- **Actionable Strategies:** The Presidents’ Roundtable session identified key initiatives for the roadmap of action based on the G20 New Delhi Leaders’ Declaration, including growing university-industry collaborations, increasing inbound mobility opportunities, and promoting internationalization.

Key Takeaways:

- Collaboration emerged as the central theme of the summit, with numerous examples of partnerships forming and growing throughout the event.

- NEP2020 was recognized as a critical policy framework for achieving India’s educational goals and unlocking its potential.
- Industry-academia partnerships were identified as essential for preparing students for future jobs and ensuring they possess the skills the workforce demands.
- International collaboration was highlighted as crucial for Indian higher education to achieve excellence and contribute to global progress.

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Total number of attendees

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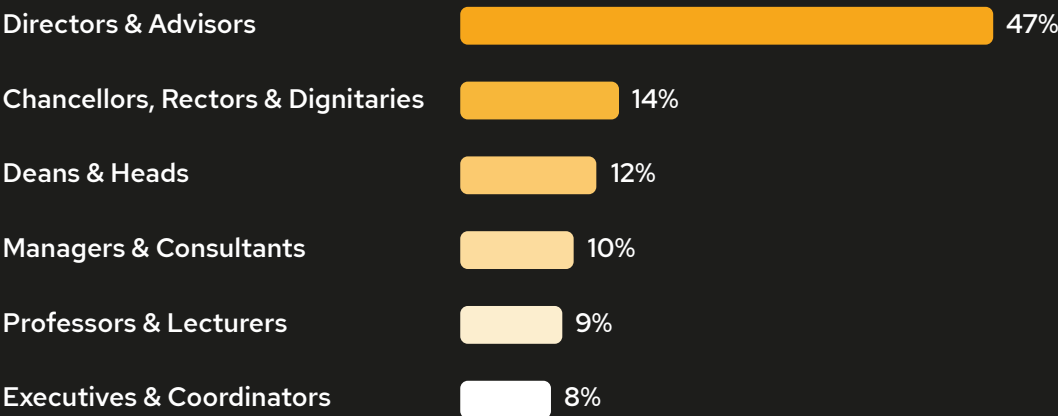
Total number of countries

47

Total number of speakers



Audience profile



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Government of India




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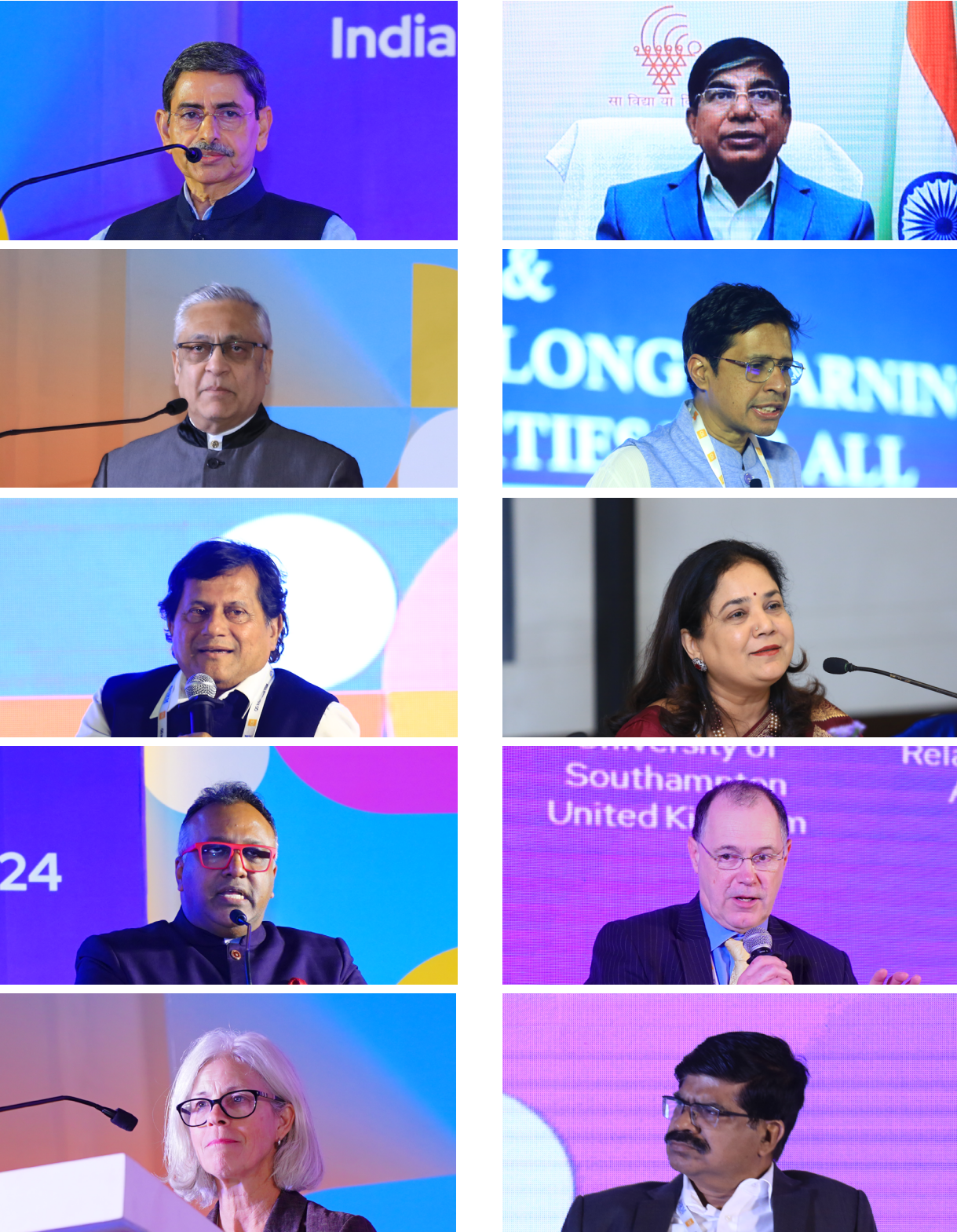


Prof Dawn Freshwater
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University of Auckland



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Vice-Chancellor
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and Technology

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Summit live gallery



“The exchange of ideas and best practices facilitated by QS events is invaluable in shaping the future of education, not only in India but globally.”

DR PALLAVI GUPTA, ASSOCIATE DEAN ACADEMICS,
SHARDA UNIVERSITY

“The agenda was very well curated, and the profile of speakers was excellent. I realize the power that QS wields in the ecosystem, but I also see that the QS team does so very responsibly and constructively. This was one of the most useful conferences I have attended in recent times. It was very timely for us given our current context.”

VENU NAIR, CEO, KP SINGH FOUNDATION

“The conference was a fantastic opportunity to engage with colleagues from the UK, QS, and a host of international universities. We made some invaluable connections with Indian institutions (such as FLAME University and SRM University). We are already in the process of following up and considering what Sheffield’s engagement will look like. Needless to say, meeting such a diverse and insightful group of institutions is constantly shaping Sheffield’s activity in India, and this is a strategic focus for the University in the coming years”

PROFESSOR KOEN LAMBERTS, PRESIDENT & VICE-
CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD



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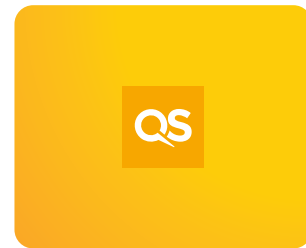
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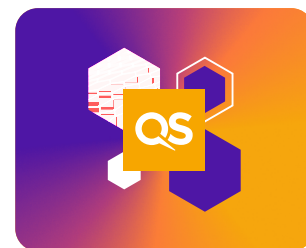
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