

press release

Standard Chartered Bank to Partner with the India-Japan Global Partnership Summit 2011

Tokyo, 29th August 2011 - Standard Chartered Bank announced its strategic partnership with the 'India-Japan Global Partnership Summit 2011' and will be a track sponsor this year. Jaspal Bindra, Group Executive Director and CEO Asia will be in Japan to participate in the key discussion on the first day of the summit. The event will take place from the 5th to the 7th of September, and will be held in Tokyo this year.

The 'India-Japan Global Partnership Summit 2011' is the milestone for the 10th anniversary of the partnership. An initiative of India Center Foundation, the Summit is supported by the Governments of both the countries and leading apex bodies from Japan and India. It has been envisioned as a summit of two great nations where various leaders of society from both nations can interact and exchange ideas to produce a 'Micro Road Map' for the 'Macro Vision'.

The three day summit will include an India-Japan Expo and five concurrent forums, namely, Business Forum, Academic Forum, Policy Forum, Youth & Cultural Forum and a forum of Non-Governmental Initiatives. The Summit will focus on multiple sectors such as agriculture, energy, manufacturing, healthcare, banking, information and communication technologies, etc.

Through Standard Chartered's support of this summit, it wishes to contribute to deepening the bond between these two great nations and enhance their development. The Bank has decided to support this summit to strengthen economic ties, foster greater regional integration, and enable multilateral economic relationships across various areas. India is a particularly important market for the Bank, who is a leading bank operating in the most dynamic markets in the world; Asia, Africa and the Middle East. India is one of the Bank's top performance markets and we are the first international bank listed on the Mumbai stock exchange with an Indian Depository Receipt (IDR). Therefore, the Bank aims to play a major role to catalyze the existing synergies between the two countries to build a strong socio-economic and cultural relationship through this partnership.

Christopher Knight, Japan CEO of Standard Chartered Bank, said "We are delighted to support this summit as a track sponsor in collaboration with our India team. This is the 1st Summit meeting being held in Japan and therefore has a very special meaning to us. As Standard Chartered has been in Japan for 130 years and for 150 years in India, we clearly see that we are the right partner to act as a financial bridge between the two countries. Its importance to us is underlined by the fact that Jaspal Bindra, Standard Chartered's Asia CEO, will specially visit Japan to participate in this summit. We are committed to these two markets and wish the Summit much success."

V. Anantharaman, Regional Co-Head of Wholesale Banking, India and South Asia, also comments "Standard Chartered's support to the India-Japan Global Partnership Summit presents a significant opportunity for the Bank in two of our key markets where we have been present for a long time. We are delighted to have become a larger part of what has become a significant event and we hope this partnership will significantly contribute to the growth and development of two great nations."

- Summit Overview -

Title: INDIA-JAPAN GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP SUMMIT 2011
(Event URL: <http://www.indiajapansummit.org/en/>)
Date: 5th to 7th September 2011 (Monday to Wednesday)
Venue: The Prince Park Tower, Tokyo

Organizer: India Center Foundation

"India–Japan Global Partnership Summit 2011" Summit Secretariat Office

**Jaspal Bindra will participate in the panel discussion from 4:30pm on Monday 5th September.*

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