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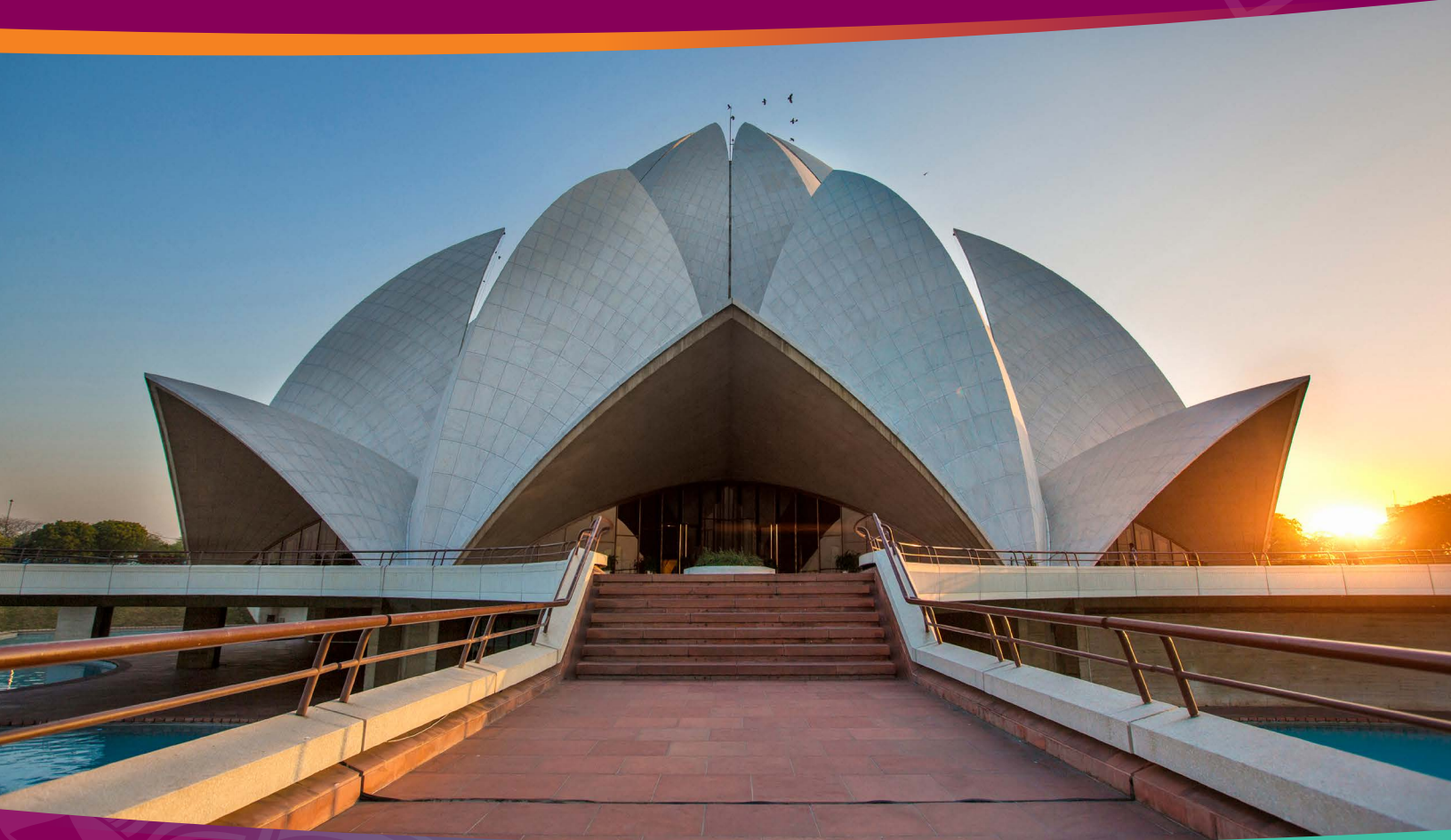
COOPERATIVES BUILD PROSPERITY FOR ALL

25 - 30 November, 2024, Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, India

ICA Global Cooperative Conference

and the Launch of the UN-International Year of Cooperatives

25-30 November, 2024 Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi (India)



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Overview

The ICA Global Conference in New Delhi, India, will provide a platform for cooperatives worldwide to come together, share knowledge, inspire each other, and engage in democratic and active participation. In 2024, the biannual gathering of the global cooperatives movement joining together more than 1,000 cooperators from around the globe, will be focused around the theme

Cooperatives Build Prosperity For All. The event will mark the official and global launch of the **UN International Year of Cooperatives 2025**. Conference activities will include 20 thematic plenaries and strategic parallel sessions, a trade-exposition, youth-centered “coopathon”, film screenings, the ICA General Assembly and meetings of ICA sectoral, regional and thematic bodies.

Location and Date

Venue: Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, India.

Bharat Mandapam, officially known as the International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC), is a state-of-the-art facility located in New Delhi, India. It serves as a premier venue for international conferences, exhibitions,

and cultural events. It was the venue for the main events under India’s Presidency of the G20 in 2023. As for India’s vibrant capital, New Delhi, has a rich cultural heritage and scenery that makes it an exciting destination for visitors and conference attendees.

Date: November 25-30, 2024.

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Hosts and Sponsors

Hosts: The Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative (IFFCO), a long-standing ICA member since 1980, will host the conference, together with 17 other ICA member organisations in India. These entities collectively represent about 800,000 cooperatives and over 290 million cooperators.

Partners: The event is organised in collaboration with ICA Regional Offices, ICA Sectoral Organisations, along with our prized sponsors from different corners of the world.

“The event will mark the official and global launch of the UN International Year of Cooperatives 2025”



Conference Theme: Cooperatives Build Prosperity For All

This ICA Global Conference aims to promote cooperatives as people-centred, purpose-led institutions and inspire global cooperation. It will take place near the mid-way point towards 2030 and the UN Summit of the Future, focusing on cooperative enterprises and institutions as key partners in accelerating the Sustainable Development Goals.

The central theme will be discussed through four plenary sessions flanked by four parallel sessions each, and curated to develop an Action Agenda for Cooperatives to Accelerate the SDGs. The program will contain four main plenary sessions:

- **Enabling Policy and Entrepreneurial Ecosystem** - We want to create more space for the cooperative movement in society at large. We promote cooperatives to legislators, governments, international organisations and the public and highlight their capacity to address social and environmental issues via their unique business case.
- **Reaffirming Cooperative Identity** - We wish to deepen our understanding of the cooperative identity and ensure a proper updating of the Statement on the Cooperative Identity to address current challenges facing cooperatives around the world.

International Year of Cooperatives

The UN International Year of Cooperatives (IYC) is a global initiative to raise awareness about the cooperative business model and its contribution to social and economic development. It provides a platform for cooperatives worldwide to highlight their impact, promote cooperation among cooperatives, and advocate for the recognition of

the cooperative movement on an international scale. Through various events, activities, and campaigns, the IYC seeks to celebrate the achievements of cooperatives, foster partnerships, and create a legacy of cooperation for a better world.

- **Nurturing Purposeful Leadership –** We support young people, women and girls, and also high potential future leaders from within and outside the movement, so they can make the most of their potential. We want to build ambition and encourage learning for life, equipping everyone with the right skills for a changing world.
- **Shaping a Just, Equal and Resilient Future –** We recognise the need to tackle inequality and strengthen communities left behind in the global economy. By understanding local needs and engaging with vulnerable communities, we can help provide the changes they need for a stronger, more resilient future.

The theme for the 2024 ICA Global Conference, Cooperatives Build Prosperity for All, is inspired by the National Cooperative Union of India (NCUI) motto: “Peace, Progress, Prosperity,” and by the 5 Ps outlined in the UN Sustainable Development Goals: People, Peace, Planet, Partnership, and Prosperity. These goals perfectly align with the role that cooperatives have consistently played in adding value to the communities they operate in, strengthened by international cooperation among cooperatives fostered since the creation of the ICA in 1895, enduring through wars, conflict, and suffering.

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There will be a launch ceremony of the 2025 United Nations International Year of Cooperatives that will be held on the 25th of November. It is building off from the 2012 International Year of Cooperatives and on the reality that the cooperative movement is one of the few viable and living global social answers to building a more inclusive and sustainable economy that works for all.

“The UN International Year of Cooperatives is a global initiative to raise awareness about the cooperative business model”

Conference Speakers

In a spirit of collaboration our speakers share a journey of collective impact ...

... We will hear from UN officials and government representatives:



Antonio Guterres - United Nations Secretary-General



Dr Ashish Kumar Bhutani - Secretary Ministry of Cooperation, Government of India



Tshering Tobgay - The Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bhutan



Simel Esim - Programme Manager at the Enterprises Department of the International Labour Office



Aicha Errifaai - General Director of the Office of Cooperation Development in Morocco



Ilcheong Yi - Senior Research Coordinator at UNRISD

... and those who are leading the cooperative movement:



Ariel Guarco - ICA president & President of the Cooperative Confederation of the Argentine Republic (COOPERAR)



Jeroen Douglas - Director-General - International Cooperative Alliance



Udai Shankar Awasthi - Managing Director - IFFCO

... Uniting Forces for a Better Tomorrow:



Hagen Henry - Chairperson of ICA Law Committee; Adjunct Professor, Research Director at University of Helsinki



Francesca Ottolenghi - Chief of International Relations, Internationalization and Development Cooperation Legacoop Nazionale



Howard Brodsky - the ICA Chair G20 engagement group, Co-founder & Chairman, CCA Global Partners



Rose Marley - Chief Executive, Co-operatives UK



Doug O'Brien - President & CEO National Cooperative Business Association CLUSA International

... Creating a voice where everyone belongs:



Kendra Faith Prestin - Member of the Aflatoun program of DCCCO Multi-Purpose Cooperative



Maria Eugenia Perez Zea - ICA board member, Executive Director of Colombian Association of Cooperatives, Lawyer



Ana Aguirre - Co-founder and worker owner at TAZEBAEZ S.Coop



Cory Doctorow - Blogger, Journalist, Science Fiction Author



Mirai Chattarjee - Director of SEWA's Social Security Team



Willy Tadjudje - Academic Researcher and Professor at the University of Yaoundé II; Chairperson and a Senior researcher at YAMDUSI Expertise

Conference Speakers continued

... Shaping the future with bold and creative ideas:



Vandana Shiva -
Environmental thinker, Activist,
Philosopher of Science, Writer,
Science Policy Advocate



Ameya Prabhu - the President
of the Indian Chamber of
Commerce (ICC); Founder and
Managing Director of NAFA
Capital Advisors Pvt. Ltd;
Partner in UAP Advisors LLP



Shatadru Chattopadhyay
- Managing Director of
Solidaridad Network Asia



Sandra Uwera Murasa - Global
Chief Executive Officer at
Fairtrade International



Revant Himatsingka - Healthy
food influencer (Food Pharmer)

... and Inspiring new Generations to take up the fight



Pete Westall - Chief Values
Officer of Midcounties



Roeland Monasch - CEO of
Aflatoun International



Alexandra Wilson -
Chairperson of the Cooperative
Identity Advisory Group



Jelmer van de Mortel - Head of
Acorn, Rabobank Cooperative



Satish Marathe - Cooperative
representative to the Reserve
Bank of India



Trebor Scholz - Founding
Director of The New School's;
Platform Cooperativism
Consortium

The Programme in a nutshell

Date 2024	Event	Time [IST]
25 November	ICA Board Meeting (By invitation only)	10h-12h
	Global Launch of the UN-IYC 2025 and Opening of the ICA Global Conference <i>“Cooperatives Build Prosperity for All”</i> Opening of the Global Cooperative Haat Film Screening	15h-20h
26 November	Plenary and Parallel Sessions <i>Enabling Policy and Entrepreneurial Ecosystems; Nurturing Purposeful Leadership</i>	09-17h30
	Opening of the ICA Coopathon	11h-17h
	Film Screening Presentation of the Rochdale Pioneer Awards	18h
27 November	Plenary and Parallel Sessions <i>Re-affirming the Cooperative Identity; Shaping a Cooperative Future</i>	09h-17h30
	Coopathon Day 2 Film Screenings	09h-17h
	Cultural Programme	18h30
28 November	Meeting of ICA Sectors/Regions/Thematic Groups (By invitation only)	09h-17h30
29 November	ICA General Assembly (By invitation only)	09h-16h
30 November	Visit to Taj Mahal	08h-19h

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Registration/Hotels/Visa

Join the global cooperative movement as we launch the UN International Year of Cooperatives 2025! Registration fees, visa process and hotel information can be found at the Conference website www.icanewdelhi2024.coop

Become a sponsor

Do you want to support the event? Become a sponsor and gain visibility at the biannual gathering of the global cooperative movement!

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ICA General Assembly

The General Assembly serves as a platform for ICA members and cooperative leaders to make strategic decisions that shape the direction and priorities of the cooperative movement. Cooperatives are invited to collectively advocate for policies and regulations that support

the growth and sustainability of the cooperative sector. The 2024 ICA General Assembly will be held on 29 November in the same venue of the Global Cooperative Conference, Bharat Mandapam building in New Delhi, India.



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