



Regional Industry Summit 2025

Co-organized by the **Indo-French Chamber of Commerce & Industry (IFCCI)** and the **Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC)**

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Venue: Hyatt Regency, Pune

The Regional Industry Summit 2025 brought together the French, German and Indian business communities for a high-impact day of knowledge exchange, thought leadership and industry collaboration. With **500+ delegates**, **40+ speakers**, **15+ sessions** and **25+ exhibitors**, the Summit served as an important platform for discussing the future of industry through the lens of **Innovation, Intelligence and Influence**.



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Opening Remarks & Inaugural Plenary:

The day began with welcome remarks by **Shweta Pahuja**, Regional Director for the Western Region (IFCCI) and **Kalpesh Saraf**, Regional Director (IGCC), setting the tone for a day focused on innovation, intelligence and cross-industry collaboration.

The Inaugural Address by **Jan Noether**, Director General (IGCC), emphasised growing Indo-European industrial collaboration, while the Special Address by **Christoph Hallier**, Consul General for Germany in Mumbai highlighted the strong and evolving partnership between India and Germany.

Following this, **Archana Pathare**, Regional Officer (MIDC), shared insights on Maharashtra's expanding industrial landscape and its continuing role as a hub for manufacturing and investment, establishing a strong regional context for the discussions that followed.

Leadership, Strategy & Industry Outlook:

A high-level CXO dialogue explored leadership priorities in a fast-changing global environment, emphasising adaptability, digital readiness and strategic clarity.

Throughout the day, panel discussions, fireside conversations and expert-led sessions examined key forces shaping the future of business, including advanced manufacturing, commercial innovation, sustainability, digital transformation, regulatory developments and workforce evolution.

Thematic Coverage & Breakout Tracks:

The Summit featured **three parallel breakout tracks**, offering delegates the opportunity to engage with specialised themes relevant to evolving industrial demands.

The sessions spanned a diverse set of topics, including:

- **AI-enabled manufacturing precision and factory autonomy**
- **Innovation-to-impact approaches for R&D-heavy sectors**
- **Sustainable industrial and water management practices**
- **The rise of Engineering Global Capability Centres and product development shifts**



- **India–EU FTA developments**
- **Skills transformation for the human–machine era**
- **Global location strategy for manufacturing and delivery networks**

Each track contributed to a holistic understanding of the shifts shaping Indian and global industry, blending insights from manufacturing, technology, engineering, policy and talent.

Global Perspectives:

The afternoon sessions brought a global lens on risk, resilience and investment sentiment. Discussions explored how organisations are navigating shifting supply chains, digital disruption and geopolitical uncertainty, along with investor confidence in India’s growth story.

These perspectives provided a balanced understanding of the opportunities and challenges ahead for Indo-French and Indo-German businesses operating in India’s rapidly evolving industrial environment.

Keynote Address:

The Summit concluded with an inspiring keynote by **Padma Vibhushan Dr. Raghunath Mashelkar**, who spoke about innovation as a catalyst for sustainable and inclusive growth. His message, centred around the philosophy of “**More from Less for More**”, offered a powerful reminder of the responsibility and potential that lies ahead for industry.

Exhibition & Networking:

The exhibition featured **25+ companies** showcasing technologies and solutions across manufacturing, engineering and digital transformation. Delegates engaged closely with exhibitors throughout the day.

Networking formed a core part of the experience, with interactions across tea and lunch sessions, followed by a wine, beer and cheese networking evening that facilitated new partnerships and connections.



The Summit concluded on a positive note, with valuable insights and connections emerging throughout the day. We thank all partners, speakers and delegates for contributing to the success of the Regional Industry Summit 2025. The conversations and collaborations forged here will continue to drive industry progress in the months ahead.

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