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# THE HIGH LEVEL PRIVACY CONCLAVE

PAHARPUR BUSINESS CENTRE, NEHRU PLACE GREENS, NEW DELHI



# Privacy India

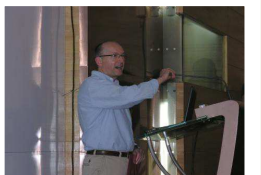
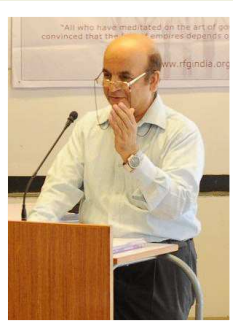


Since June 2010, Privacy India has been engaging in discussions with policy makers, the public and sectoral experts about privacy in India. The discussions have ranged from topics of identity and privacy, to minority rights and privacy, and consumer privacy.



The findings of our research show that privacy was a neglected area of study in India during the past, however, this is changing. Advancements in technology, the introduction of e-governance initiatives like the National Fibre Optic Network, introduction of new legislations, and debates surrounding national security, have brought privacy debates to the forefront in India. Although currently sectoral legislation deals with privacy issues, e.g., the Telegraph Act or RBI guidelines for banking, India has just begun to consider a horizontal legislation that deals comprehensively with privacy across all contexts. This conference is an opportunity

to look forward to what could be the future



# Speakers

## Rajan Gandhi



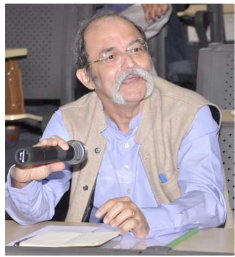
Rajan Gandhi is the CEO of the NGO, Society in Action Group, which works on Sustainable Consumption & Production, on Corporate Social responsibility and on issues relating to privacy and consumer rights.

Mr Gandhi has served on several committees/sub-committees of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, the Bureau of Indian Standards and Ministry of Tourism of the Central Govt. He is recognized as one of India's leading experts on Sustainable Consumption and serves on the Advisory Group on Sustainable Development of the Ministry of Environment & Forests and is a consultant to the United Nations Environment Programme (Divn of Technology, Industry & Economics). He is also a member of the Board of the Asia-Pacific Roundtable on Sustainable Consumption & Production and on the Advisory Board of Privacy International.

Prior to setting up his NGO, Mr Gandhi served in the private sector for over 33 years. He is an alumnus of St Stephens College and the

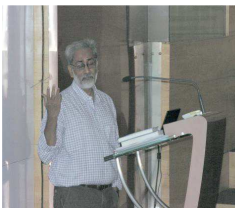
Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta.

## Who Are We



Privacy India was set up in collaboration with The Centre for Internet and Society (CIS), Bangalore and Society in Action Group (SAG), under the auspices of the international organization, "Privacy International."

Privacy International is a non-profit group that provides assistance to civil society groups, governments, international and regional bodies, the media and the public in a number of countries (see [www.privacyinternational.org](http://www.privacyinternational.org)). Its Advisory Board is made up of distinguished intellectuals, academicians, thinkers and activists such as Noam Chomsky, the late Harold Pinter, and others, and it has collaborated with organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).



The Centre For Internet And Society was registered as a society in August 2008, and brings together a team of practitioners, theoreticians, researchers and artists to work on the emerging field of Internet and Society to critically engage with concerns of digital pluralism, public accountability and pedagogic practices, with particular emphasis on South-South dialogues and exchange.



## Speakers

### Sudhir Krishnaswamy



Sudhir Krishnaswamy is a professor of law at Azim Premji University. He was a Professor of Law at the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata India where he taught Constitutional Law and Jurisprudence. He studied law at the National Law School of India University, Bangalore and the University of Oxford. Before NUJS he taught at the National Law School of India University, Bangalore and Pembroke College, University of Oxford. He has engaged with the Government at various levels including the Prime Minister's Committee on Infrastructure and the Kasturirangan Committee on Bangalore's Governance. He has published widely in various academic and non-academic journals and newspapers. His book titled 'Democracy and Constitutionalism in India' was published by OUP in 2009.

# Program

- 4:00-4:30 **Registration and Tea**
- 4:30- 4:45 **Welcome & Introduction to Privacy India**  
Rajan Gandhi (Society in Action Group)
- 4:45-5:45 **National Security and Privacy**  
Moderator: Malavika Jayaram (Advocate, Bangalore)
- Gus Hosein (Executive Director, Privacy International, UK)  
Vakul Sharma (Supreme Court Advocate, Delhi)  
P K Hormis Tharakan (Former Chief of Research and Analysis Wing, Govt of India)  
Saikat Dutta (Journalist, DNA)  
Manish Tewari (Member of Parliament)  
Eric King (Human Rights and Technology Advise, Privacy International, UK)
- 5:45-6:45 **Internet and Privacy**  
Moderator: Sunil Abraham (Executive Director, Centre for Internet & Society, Bangalore)
- Vinayak Godse (Data Protection Director, DSCI)  
Deepak Maheshwari (Director Corporate Affairs, Microsoft)  
Amitabh Das (General Counsel, Yahoo! India)  
Talish Ray (Board Member, Software Freedom Law Center)
- 6:45- 7:00 **The Way Forward**  
Elonnai Hickok (Policy Advocate, Privacy India)
- 7:00- 8:00 **Dinner**

# Speakers

## Amitabh Das



Amitabh Das has over fifteen years of post qualification experience encompassing practising in Courts such as the Delhi High Court, the Supreme Court of India and other courts in Delhi, working with large corporate law firms in Delhi and being in-house Legal Head for two multinational companies. Amitabh has been the General Counsel for Yahoo in India since May 2007 and prior to that he was Director Legal for Sapient in India. Amitabh pursued B.A. (Hons) History and M.A. History from St. Stephens's College, Delhi and thereafter completed LL.B from the University of Delhi in 1995. In 2000, Amitabh was awarded the British Chevening Scholarship for Young Indian Lawyers and as part of that he attended lectures on British and EC Commercial Laws and Practice at the College of Law in York and briefly worked with a law firm in London. Amitabh is also eligible to be enrolled as a Solicitor in England and Wales.

## Speakers

### Vinayak Godse



Vinayak Godse is Director – Data Protection, DSCI. He is managing a program for defining data security and privacy practices, based on which self regulation mechanism will be established. Along with this program He is also engaged in DSCI outreach program at national and international platforms for establishing collaboration with different

legal and regulatory bodies, data protection authorities, global clients and outsource service providers of all categories including small and medium players. He is also closely working with Department of Information Technology (DIT), Govt. of India, on cyber security initiatives, security and privacy surveys and making

### Erik King



Eric King is Privacy International's Human Rights and Technology Advisor. He focuses on the intersection of human rights, privacy and technology. He is the Secret Prisons Technical Advisor at Reprieve and has previously volunteered with the British Institute for International

Comparative Law and the Human Rights International Action Team. He has five years of editorial design experience and is an advisory board member of Most Mira, a Bosnian post-conflict peace-building charity. Eric holds a degree in law from the London School of Economics.

## Speakers

### Saikat Dutta



Saikat Dutta started his career in 1996 with a Pune-based newspaper called Maharashtra Herald. Since then, he has been with The Indian Express (1997 to 2002), Outlook magazine (2002 to 2011) as an Assistant Editor and now with the DNA newspaper as the New Delhi Chief of Bureau. He

covers security-related issues as well as development and social-sector related stories. My work has been awarded the International Press Institute Award, the Jagan Phadnis Memorial Award for investigative journalism and the National RTI award.

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### Gus Hosein



Gus Hosein is Privacy International's (PI) Deputy Director. He is responsible for overseeing PI's international research and advocacy work, particularly in areas related to anti-terrorism policy and international organisations.

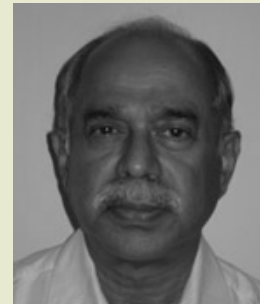
He is a Visiting Senior Fellow at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and was previously a Visiting Scholar at the American Civil Liberties Union, Columbia University, and Oxford University. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (FRSA), and the Chartered Institute for IT (FBCS).

He advises a number of international organisations, companies, and civil society organisations. He is currently coordinating research projects on privacy and human rights in Asia, and on the challenges of securing medical information in developing countries and emergency situations.

He is a Chartered Fellow of the British Computer Society, and a Chartered IT Professional (FBCS CITP). He has a degree in Mathematics B.Math (Hons) from the University of Waterloo in Canada, an MSc in Information Systems Security, and a PhD in technology policy and regulation from the University of London.

## Speakers

### P. K.H. Tharakan



P. K.H. Tharakan, who belonged to the Indian Police Service, Kerala cadre superannuated in January 2007. He served the Government in various capacities including Secretary(R) in the Cabinet Secretariat, Govt of India and Director-General of Police, Kerala. After retirement, he served as

Advisor to the Administrative Reforms Commission of India. He was also appointed by the President of India as Advisor to the Governor in 2007-2008 when President's Rule was imposed in Karnataka. He served as a Member of the National Security Advisory Board from 2008 to 2010. During the same period, he was also Chief Advisor on Strategic Studies at BrahMos Aerospace, besides being on the Board of Directors of BrahMos Aerospace Trivandrum Limited. Currently, he is a Visiting Professor at the Department of Geopolitics and International Relations in Manipal University and at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore. Recently, he has been made a member of the State Security Commission, Government of Kerala.

## Speakers

### Sunil Abraham



Sunil Abraham is the Executive Director of CIS. He is also a social entrepreneur and Free Software advocate. He founded Mahiti in 1998, which aims to reduce the cost and complexity of Information and Communication Technology for the Voluntary Sector by using Free Software.

Today, Mahiti employs more than 50

engineers and Sunil continues to serve on the board as a board member. Sunil was elected an Ashoka fellow in 1999 to 'explore the democratic potential of the Internet' and was granted a Sarai FLOSS fellowship in 2003. Between June 2004 and June 2007, he managed the International Open Source Network, a project of the United Nations Development Programme's Asia-Pacific Development Information Programme serving 42 countries in the Asia-Pacific region. Between September 2007 and June 2008, he also managed ENRAP, an electronic network of International Fund for Agricultural Development projects in the Asia-Pacific facilitated and co-funded by International Development Research Centre, Canada.

## Speakers

### Malavika Jayaram



Malavika Jayaram has over 15 years experience as a lawyer with a focus on technology and intellectual property. A dual qualified lawyer, she spent eight years in London working with Allen & Overy and Citigroup, as an IP/IT lawyer in the Communications, Media and Technology Group. Malavika then

worked in two different roles within Citigroup, both within the investment bank. The first was the role of Vice President & Counsel in the Technology Legal Team, within the 150-strong in-house legal and compliance function. The second role, of Senior Business Analyst reporting directly to the Chief Technology Officer of Citigroup EMEA, was a special role created for her. Malavika coordinated a very large and critical exercise to regularise internal SLAs for various shared functions and processes within Citigroup, especially in response to new outsourcing regulations and restrictions in Eastern European countries and in Asia.

She is currently a partner at Jayaram & Jayaram, Bangalore, managing a portfolio of work that has a strong focus on IT/IP and commercial work, especially with an international angle. Malavika is also a fellow of the Centre for Internet and Society, which is engaged with concerns of digital pluralism, public accountability and pedagogic practices in the field of Internet and Society.

## Speakers

### Raman Chima



Raman Jit Singh Chima is a privacy analyst with Google, based in Delhi. He currently helps lead Google's public policy and government affairs work in India. He holds a Bachelors in Arts and Law (Honours) from the National Law School of India University, Bangalore, where he was Chief Editor for Volume 5 of the Indian Journal of Law and Technology. He has studied

Internet regulation as an independent research fellow with the Sarai programme of the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, and contributed to Freedom House's 2009 Freedom on the Internet report.

### Deepak Maheshwari



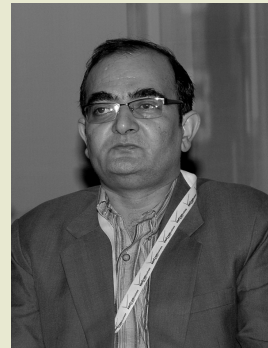
Deepak Maheshwari is Director – Corporate Affairs with Microsoft in India .

Besides participating in the ICT committees of leading trade chambers, he served for two consecutive terms as the elected secretary in

the ISP Association of India and is a co-founder of National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI). He has been the Joint Secretary in ITU-APT Foundation of India since its inception. He also serves as the IPR committee chair of AMCHAM in India and the Telecom

## Speakers

### Vakul Sharma



Vakul Sharma is an advocate, specializing in Information Technology law, e-Governance law, Data protection & Privacy. He is a Managing Partner of the Law Firm Vakul Corporate Advisory. He has been nominated by the Government of India on numerous Expert Committee(s), Consultative Committee(s), Working Groups etc. to review, and draft important legislations, including

subordinate legislations in Information technology, e-Governance, Digitization etc.

He has published books, white papers and commentaries on information technology, cyber laws, e-commerce (and taxation), data protection and privacy.

### Elonnai Hickok



Elonnai Hickok is specialising in international development studies from the University of Toronto. She is a Policy Advocate in the Privacy in Asia project and has been associated with CIS from 2010 onwards. She participated in many events during her stint in India and has

produced some key research outputs.



## Speakers

### Talish Ray



Talish Ray is a lawyer with almost a decade of experience fighting battles inside courtrooms. Her areas of practice include Property and Intellectual Property Law, Corporate Law and Commercial Law, Arbitration and dispute resolution, Constitutional and Administrative law, Competition and Information Technology Law. She has appeared before the Supreme

Court and various High Courts in India while also serving on the advisory and litigating panels of Government and banking Corporations. She has an LLB degree from Campus Law Center, University of Delhi in addition to Bachelors degree in History from Lady Shri Ram College. . As an undergraduate student her interest in social work led her to pursue internships in Social Work Research Centre in Tilonia and the United Nations Information Center for India and Bhutan. Apart from litigation, she has a passion for History which has led her to believe that the future of any society is dependent on its present tolerance to

divergent opinions .

## Speakers

### Manish Tewari



Manish Tewari is a current Member of Parliament from Ludhiana. He is the official spokesperson of the All India Congress Committee. Manish Tewari's association with Congress started in 1981, in his pre university days when he joined its Youth Wing. He rose to become All India Youth Congress President and held Post from 1998 to 2000, later he became the Secretary

of AICC and was appointed as Spoke-person of AICC in 2008. Working as AICC Secretary Manish Tewari has held important assignments and remained in-charge of Congress affairs in Gujarat.

He commenced Legal practice in 1992. In 1995 he founded the Law Firm, M/s. Tewari Gogia & Associates. The Firm is now called M/s. Tewari & Associates and based out of New Delhi.