

Agenda for the Open Situation Room in Mumbai

- **Topic for the Open Situation Room:** *“Achieving Water Security in India: Towards Innovative Solutions”*

A situation room is a place where government officials gather in times of crisis to collect information and coordinate activities. Inspired by this example, it is a location designed for debate and discussion, rather than for command and control. It is an atelier politique, an information centre and a meeting place for all stakeholders. The OSR in Mumbai will combine the specific know-how and skill sets of social entrepreneurs, tech developers and designers, along with that of academics, youth, water experts, social enterprises, NGOs and businesses to ‘hack’ traditional diplomatic problems in start-up style groups.

- **Date of OSR in Mumbai, India:** 22nd March 1630-2035 hrs followed by Dinner
- **Venue:** Four Seasons Hotel, Worli, Mumbai
- **Tentative Agenda for the Event**
 - **16:30- 1700 Hrs:** Arrival and registration of participants. Refreshments served
 - **1700-1720 Hrs:** Welcoming Remarks, Deputy Consul General Gabriele Boner, Consulate General of the Federal Republic Of Germany, Mumbai , *and*, Consul General of the State of Israel, Mr. David Akov
 - **1720-1810 Hrs:** Setting the Context
 1. *India’s Water Challenge: The case of the State of Maharashtra-* Mr. Suresh Kulkarni, Secretary, Maharashtra Water Regulatory Authority
 2. *The Unique Case of Israel: Innovative Solutions and their Application to India-* Mr. Nimrod Assouline, Deputy Chief of Mission, Consulate General of Israel
 3. Germany’s contribution to addressing the challenge in India: Mr. Dirk Walther, GIZ (skype); and Mr. Adi Bhujle, German Water Partnership
 4. *Introduction to the OSR: Rules and Format,* Jasdeep Randhawa, Global Diplomacy Lab
 5. *Defining the Problem Statement for the OSR:* Consul General of the State of Israel, Mr. David Akov
 - **1810-1820 Hrs:** Introduction of Participants
 - **1820-1830 Hrs:** Participants breakout to form groups
 - **1830-1915 Hrs:** Participants in groups discuss and propose their group solution.
 - **1915-1925 Hrs:** Coffee Break

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- **1925-1940 Hrs:** Participants walk to each groups table, where one representative from each group presents idea to other members, and gets feedback. There is an opportunity to even merge if there is an overlap of ideas.
 - **1940-2010 Hrs:** Groups further refine their ideas and prepare their pitch.
 - **2010-2030 Hrs:** Each group pitches their idea and gets feedback from the Consulate Representatives; Experts; and Partners. The best idea for the pitch night is judged and announced.
 - **2030-2035 Hrs:** Vote of Thanks
 - **2035 Hrs onwards:** Dinner is served
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