



*IITians Association Of Australia (IITAA) Launches  
“Global IITian Executive Series”*

*“An Evening With Arjun Malhotra”  
CEO, Headstrong , USA*



*This evening will provide a great opportunity to hear one of the most prominent IITians who has been a great entrepreneur and believes in giving back to the community.*

***Arjun Malhotra** is a doyen of IT industry and his vision and leadership is acknowledged globally in the knowledge industry. He is currently CEO and Chairman of the Board at Headstrong, a premier global consultancy in USA with revenues of over \$100 million.*

*After co-founding India's largest computer technology company, HCL Limited (current turnover in excess of \$2 billion) in 1976, Arjun went on to launch successful divisions in the sectors of computer-aided design, reprographics, finance and telecommunications.*

*Arjun is a Gold medallist from IIT Kharagpur and has founded Prof. G.S. Sanyal School of Telecommunications at IIT Kharagpur through personal endowment.*

*Arjun serves as Chairman of Vision 2020, an alumni initiative to raise a \$200 million endowment fund for IIT Kharagpur by the year 2020. He is also one of the founding members of SPIC – MACAY – Society for Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Cultural among Youth.*

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*Bill Gates, Microsoft's Chairman remarked about IIT.... "an incredible institution that has really changed the world and has the potential to do even more in the years ahead than it's already done"*

*He further remarked.... "IIT and Microsoft do have a lot in common"*

*Bill Gates was the keynote speaker when IIT Kharagpur alumni gathered in US to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their alma mater (The first of seven IITs).  
<http://www.microsoft.com/billgates/speeches/2003/01-17iit.asp>*

*"Put Harvard, MIT and Princeton together, and you begin to get an idea of the status of IIT in India".... Remarked Leslie Stahl, the host of the show "Imported from India" broadcasted twice by CBS Network television under 60 Minutes program.*

*Leslie showered praise on IITs and its alumni in the above. You can view the video / read the story at*

*<http://www.andrew.cmu.edu/~sramakri/iit.wmv>*

*<http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2003/06/19/60minutes/main559476.shtml>*

*IIT is the best known Indian brand globally and IIT graduates are India's most valuable exports. IIT alumni are among the most successful and most influential Indians in the US and are playing a lead role at world's leading corporations like McKinsey (**Rajat Gupta**), Sun Microsystems (**Vinod Khosla**, co-founder), Infosys (**Narayan Murthy**), Vodafone (**Arun Sarin**), Citigroup (**Victor menzes**), Deloitte, Pepsi.....the list goes on.*

*Get the complete list at [http://users.bigpond.net.au/iitaa/Prominent\\_IITians.doc](http://users.bigpond.net.au/iitaa/Prominent_IITians.doc)*

### *IITAA so far*

*IITAA - IITians Association of Australia was created to connect IITians down-under with Global network of IITians. It is now in its second year of operations and recognised and registered as the Official Alumni Association of IITians in Australia by Pan IIT USA, Canada, Singapore, UK as well as by all the seven IITs.*

- ◆ *"Global IITian Executive series" - through which we would endeavour to bring prominent IITian Founders, Chairmen, CEOs and Heads of global companies to visit Australia on a regular basis and share their views and thoughts with us.*
- ◆ *"Networking at the Rocks series" is designed to honour prominent local IITians and would provide networking opportunity to IITAA members.*
- ◆ *IITAA has over 200 IITians in its database and regular newsletters are sent out to IITAA members.*
- ◆ *Australian Financial Review published an article on IIT and IITAA <http://www.afr.com/premium/articles/2004/03/07/1078594233174.html>*
- ◆ *We propose to develop chapters all over Australia and New Zealand....Melbourne and Canberra chapters would soon be starting.*



## PROGRAM DETAILS



8<sup>th</sup> July 2005

### “An Evening With Arjun Malhotra”

- 6:00 – 6:55 pm: *Get together and drinks*
- 6.55 - 7.00 pm: *Welcome by Davender Jain, President, IITAA*
- 7.00 - 7.10 pm: *Inaugural address by Hon. Prabhat Shukla,  
High Commissioner of India*
- 7.10 - 7.20 pm: *Address by Kumar Parkala, Chairman,  
Australian Computer Society, NSW*
- 7:20 – 7:40 pm: *Keynote Talk by Arjun Malhotra, CEO Headstrong, USA*  
  
*“The birth and initial years of the IT industry in India  
and its successful migration globally especially US”*
- 7:40 – 7.55 pm: *Q & A with Arjun Malhotra*
- 7.55 – 9.00 pm: *Dinner*
- 9.00 - 9.05 pm: *Address by Norm Hemsley,  
President, Institution of Engineers, Australia*
- 9.05 – 9:10 pm: *Vote of Thanks by Vinay Singh, Vice-President, IITAA*
- 9.10 – 9.30 pm: *Informal Networking & Close*



### US Congress heaps praise on IITs

*The US Congress passed House Resolution 227 -- introduced by Congressman Tom Davis and co-sponsored by Congressman Bobby Jindal -- praising the stellar work done by IITians in all walks of life.*

*The Indian Institutes of Technology, in particular, and the Indian-American community, in general, came in for impassioned praise from the US Congress -- the first time the US Congress has honoured a foreign university in this manner -- for their significant contributions to society in every profession and discipline.*

*The States of Maryland and Virginia in USA have issued proclamations honouring IITs and IITians by dedicating May 2005 as Global IIT Heritage Month.*

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