



Theme: Building Resilient Economies and Implementing Robust Measures from a Global Initiative against Smuggling and Counterfeiting

Programme Outline

25 September 2024	DAY 1
10:00 am-11:00 am	REGISTRATION
11:00 am – 12:00 noon	INAUGURAL SESSION Welcome Address by Mr. Anil Rajput , Chairman, FICCI CASCADE Special Address by Chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs* Keynote Address by World Customs Organization* Inaugural Address by Chief Guest Release of TARI study Vote of Thanks by FICCI
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Highlights of the Study- Illicit Markets in India Presentation by Mr. Kaushik Dutta , Director, Thought Arbitrage Research Institute (TARI)
12:30 pm – 01:00 pm	Fireside Chat with Mr. Ajit Ranade, Economist Moderator: Mr. Najib Shah , Former Chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE
01:00 pm – 02:00 pm	Lunch
02:00 pm – 03:30 pm	PLENARY SESSION 1 Economic Impact and the Hidden Costs: Unraveling effects of Illicit Trade on Global and Indian Economies The session will talk about: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The prevalence and magnitude of illicit trade both globally and within India, with a focus on identifying key trends and patterns.• Quantifying the economic losses incurred due to illicit trade practices, including revenue losses, market distortions, and impacts on GDP growth.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Discussing the effects of illicit trade on employment opportunities and livelihoods, particularly in vulnerable sectors and marginalized communities. ● Setting unified global standards to detect, disrupt, and deter illicit trade and terror financing channels. ● Evaluating existing policy frameworks to combat illicit trade and identifying gaps in regulations. <p>Session Chair: Mr. Najib Shah, Former Chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Marco Teixeira, Regional Representative, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime ● Representative, International Narcotics Control Board (INCB), UN ● Representative, EUIPO ● Representative, WTO ● Mr. Prem Mahadevan, Senior Analyst, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime, GITOC
03:30 pm – 05:00 pm	<p><i>PLENARY SESSION 2: Panel Discussion</i></p> <p><i>Advancing International Strategies and Fostering Unified Vigilance: Multilateral Collaboration to Combat Illicit Trade</i></p> <p>The session will talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identifying best practices that promote transparency, accountability, and good governance to tackle illicit trade. ● Delving into the significance of building alliances and fostering cooperation among international intelligence agencies, and regulatory authorities to combat illicit trade. ● Exploring strategies to facilitate seamless information exchange and intelligence sharing across borders. ● Examining the need for harmonized legal and regulatory frameworks that facilitate cross-border cooperation. ● Enhancing global regulations and bolstering enforcement mechanisms. <p>Session Chair: Dr. D P Dash, Former Pr. Director-General, DRI, Former Chairman, Enforcement Committee, World Customs Organisation (WCO) and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE</p> <p>Discussants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Samer Al Tarawneh, Legal Counsellor, Building Respect for IP Division, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) ● Mr. Kenneth Wright, IP Enforcement Consultant, Danish Patent and Trademark Office (DKPTO) ● Mr. Sébastien CONNAN, Regional Intellectual Property Counsellor for India & South Asia, Embassy of France ● Mr. Hugh Austin, Attache, US Department of Homeland Security, US Embassy* ● Mr. Ludvig Hermansson, Director Government Affairs, South East Asia at Business Sweden*

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Julian Saldanha, First Secretary, HM Revenue and Customs, British High Commission* ● Representative, JETRO
26 September 2024	Day 2
09:30 am- 10:00 am	Registration
10.00 am – 10.30 am	<p>OPENING SESSION</p> <p><i>Fostering Resilient Economies: A Fireside Discourse on Anti-Illicit Trade Strategies</i></p> <p>Fireside Chat with Economic Advisor Mr. Surjit Bhalla, Indian Economist and Author* Mr. Vivek Johri, Former Chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs*</p> <p>Moderator: CNBC</p>
10.30 am – 11:45 am	<p>PLENARY SESSION 3: Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Emerging Tech Frontiers: Challenges and Opportunities in Countering Illicit Trade with Growing Technology</i></p> <p>The session will talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leverage cutting-edge technologies like artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning, blockchain, and data analytics to proactively detect and thwart illicit trade pattern. ● Implement robust cybersecurity protocols to shield institutions against evolving cyber threats and attacks. ● Explore collaborative research initiatives to innovate new technologies aimed at detecting and deterring illicit trade routes. ● Integrate supply chain transparency solutions to trace the origins of goods and identify potential points of illicit activity. ● Foster public-private partnerships to raise awareness and educate consumers about the risks associated with counterfeit and smuggled goods. <p>Session Chair – Mr. P K Malhotra, Former Secretary, Ministry of Law & Justice, Govt. of India and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Samer Al Tarawneh, Legal Counsellor, Building Respect for IP Division, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) ● Dr. Siang Hee TAN, Executive Director, CropLife ● Speakers from AI ● Cyber Law Expert ● Technology provider
11.45 am – 01.00 pm	<p>PLENARY SESSION 4: Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Analyzing Threats and Strategizing Response: Defending Borders Against Organized Illicit Activities</i></p>

	<p>The session will talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Role of enforcement agencies in detecting and investigating illicit trade ● Empowering financial intelligence units and regulatory bodies to track and disrupt illicit financial flows linked to organized crime and smuggling. ● Implementing proactive measures to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities in supply chains susceptible to exploitation by illicit trade networks. <p>Moderator: CNBC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Sonia Narang, Special Director, Directorate of Enforcement* ● Representative, BSF ● Representative, Financial Intelligence Unit ● Representative, Homeland Security Investigations ● Representative, NIA ● Representative, Police ● Mr. Anil Shukla, Director General of Police, Mizoram*
01.00 pm – 02.00 pm	Lunch
02.00 pm – 03.15 pm	<p>PLENARY SESSION 5:</p> <p>Driving Change: Industry Leadership in Anti-Counterfeiting and Anti-Smuggling Initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Foster public-private partnerships and collaborative initiatives to address the challenges posed by counterfeiting and smuggling. ● Monitor emerging threats, fraudulent activities, and recent security vulnerabilities posed by illicit operators. ● Case studies and lessons learned from endeavors aimed at combating illicit trade. ● innovative approaches to detect and mitigate threats within illicit markets. ● Assess the hurdles and potential benefits of cross-industry and cross-sector collaboration in addressing illicit activities. <p>Session Chair - Mr. Hem Kumar Pande, Former Secretary, Dept. of Consumer Affairs, Gol and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE</p> <p>Speakers: Industry Members- ITC, Amazon, HUL*, Puma*, Marico*</p>
03:15 pm – 04:30 pm	<p>Panel Discussion 6:</p> <p>Harnessing Legal Power: The Judiciary's Role in Combating Smuggling and Counterfeiting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identifying opportunities for judicial collaboration with law enforcement agencies, government bodies, and international organizations to strengthen legal frameworks and enforcement mechanisms. ● Analyzing the challenges faced by the judiciary in adjudicating intricate cases related to illicit trade, including evidence gathering, trial procedures, and sentencing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exploring the challenges faced by the judiciary in adapting to technological advancements and emerging trends in illicit trade. <p>Session Chair: Justice Manmohan Sarin, Former Lokayukta, NCT of Delhi, Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir, Judge, High Court of Delhi and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Judge, Supreme Court of India ● Mr. Balesh Kumar, Member, Appellate Tribunal-SAFEMA, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance* ● Representative, Customs ● Consumer Right Activist ● Lawyer ● Representative, Trial Court
04:30 pm – 05:30 pm	<p><i>Valedictory Session</i></p> <p>Welcome Remarks by Mr. Anil Rajput, Chairman, FICCI CASCADE</p> <p>Special Address by Mr. Mohan Kumar Singh, Principal Director General, Directorate of Revenue Intelligence*</p> <p>Valedictory Address by Minister, Government of India</p> <p><i>Anti-Counterfeiting and Anti-Smuggling Awards & Felicitations Ceremony</i></p> <p>Enforcement Officers School Children Journalists</p> <p>Concluding Remarks by Mr. Sanjeev Tripathi, Former Chief of RAW and Think Tank Member, FICCI CASCADE</p>