



## Public Affairs Forum of India

### Press Release

#### **Public Affairs Forum of India (PAFI) announces New Office Bearers for 2019-20** **Raman Sidhu of EBG Federation, India is the New President of PAFI**

New Delhi, April 30, 2019: Public Affairs Forum of India, country's premier body for public and corporate affairs professionals, has appointed new office bearers for the year 2018-19.

**Mr Raman Sidhu**, Chairman, EBG Federation, India (erstwhile European Business Group), has taken over as the new **President**. Mr. Sidhu's career spanned over 3 decades as an Investment Banker & a Corporate Banker. He has also served as an Independent Director on the Boards of various MNCs including G4S & Deutsche Postbank Home Finance as well as PSUs such as BHEL, NHPC, IILFS & NTC. He has served as a Member of the Core Committee on Corporate Governance of 5 of the Ministry of Finance & Corporate Affairs. He has in the past also served as a Consultant to the Industry Minister of Trinidad & Tobago on behalf of the Commonwealth Secretariat, London. He is a Life Trustee of the Foundation for Aviation & Sustainable Tourism & a Member of the Council of SpeakIn Bureau. He is a Member of the National Executive Committee of FICCI.

He takes over the role of President, PAFI, from **Dr. K.C. Ravi**, Chief Sustainability Officer, Syngenta India Ltd, upon completion of his successful term.

**Mr. Ishteyaque Amjad**, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Coca-Cola India Pvt Ltd, has taken over as the new Vice President of the organisation. Mr. Amjad served in the Indian Army and then later joined the corporate world. He has worked across infrastructure, technology and FMCG industry.

**Dr. Subhajyoti Ray**, President, Internet & Mobile Association of India, is the new Secretary. Before joining IMAI, Subho was Director for the ICT vertical at the Confederation of Indian Industry in New Delhi, where he worked since 1998, closely with the software & services, BPM, hardware and telecom industries. He is a trained historian having read history at the Presidency College, Kolkata and JNU, New Delhi.

**Ms. Ankhi Das**, Public Policy Director - India, South & Central Asia, Facebook India Online Services Pvt. Ltd., is the new Treasurer of PAFI.

Incoming President, Mr. Raman Sidhu, FCA: "I am pleased to take on this position of President of PAFI and reiterate PAFI's core belief to continually raise and maintain standards of practice in the important field of public affairs; to enable industry and our members to attain increased recognition and maintain high levels of credibility. I will strive to work towards providing more platforms and opportunities to our members to achieve the same. I will also focus on more external stakeholders to cover bilateral, multilateral agencies, industry associations and foreign diplomatic missions in the country. These efforts should go a long way to further advance and develop the important field of Public Affairs in an ethical manner".

Dr. K.C. Ravi, the outgoing President: "PAFI celebrated the milestone of completing its 10th year of 'Swacch Public Affairs Abhiyan' last year. On reflection it is with a moment of pride that I see the year gone by. As a non-partisan Forum comprising of organizations and individuals, we have been successful to a small extent to raise and maintain standards of practice in public affairs and to enable the Industry to attain recognition and credibility."



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Since its formal inception in 2012, and in line with its objective to being a professional resource for the Public Affairs and Corporate Affairs professionals, PAFI has been actively promoting public affairs as a profession and organising meetings and forums to exchange views and share experiences. It is PAFI's belief that public affairs will play an increasingly significant role in organizations as well as the development of India's economy.

### **About Public Affairs Forum of India (PAFI):**

The Public Affairs Forum of India (PAFI), registered under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860, is a non-partisan, not-for-profit Society, comprising of organisations working in the field of Public & Corporate Affairs. PAFI is dedicated to raise and maintain standards of practice in public affairs to enable the Industry to attain recognition and credibility. Serving as a professional resource for the Public Affairs and Corporate Affairs professionals, PAFI provides members with the platform and opportunity to exchange information, share their knowledge and experiences in engaging with external stakeholders like the government, media, industry associations, multilateral agencies and think tanks. For more information, visit: [www.pafi.in](http://www.pafi.in)

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