



Webinar on Future of Furniture Industry

September 30, 2020

As a part of 'FICCI Future series' a webinar on 'Future of Furniture Industry' was organized by FICCI on September 30, 2020. The webinar brought together leading global players, top Indian furniture manufacturers, policymakers and experts to collaborate, share experiences and deliberate on influential trends and opportunities in furniture sector.

Mr. Anil Agrawal, IPS, Joint Secretary, DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India spoke on initiatives envisaged by the Government to catapult India into a Global Player in furniture. Dr. Neeraj Mittal, IAS, MD & CEO, Tamil Nadu Industrial Guidance and Export Promotion Bureau, Government of Tamil Nadu spoke on possibility of developing Furniture Hub at land near Thoothukudi Port. Presentation was given by Industries Dept, Govt of Andhra Pradesh on developing Furniture Hub at land near Krishnapatnam Port.

Leading global players from Furniture industry including Mr. Alex Bellos, President, West Elm, Williams-Sonoma, Inc., Mr. Peter Betzel, CEO, IKEA India , Dr. Andreas Hettich, Chairman of the Advisory Board, Hettich Group, Mr. William Bissell, Chairman, Fab India , shared their vision on future of furniture industry. Mr. Rudra Chatterjee, Chair FICCI Furniture Group, FICCI WBSC and Chairman, Manor & Mews moderated the session.

Other key speakers included Dr. Pawan Goenka, MD & CEO, Mahindra & Mahindra, Chairman, SCALE Committee, DPIIT, Government of India, Mr. Anil S Mathur, COO, Godrej Interio and Mr. Dilip Chenoy, Secretary General, FICCI.

The webinar was attended by Furniture manufacturers, exporters, global buyers, retailers, e commerce companies, Timber and Plywood companies, Furniture, plywood & panel, timber and laminate manufacturers associations and furniture training/design institutes