

Gujarat Technological University Innovation Council

GTU Innovation Council became ecosystem partner for TIECON Vadodara 2024 (2 days program)

Hotel Grand Mercure surya palace, Sayajinagar, Vadodara

Date: 4 & 5 October, 2024

Time: 09:30 to 17.00

Team GIC: Dr.Tushar Panchal (Group CEO GIC)

Mr. Kamendra Singh (Incubation Manager)

Mr. YajuvendraSingh Cahuhan (Project Manager)

Mr. Hemik Mehta (Team Vadodara)

Mode/Platform : Physical

Venue : **Hotel Grand Mercure surya palace, Sayajinagar, Vadodara**

No. of Participants : **500**

Event Report: TiECon Vadodara 2024 (October 4-5, 2024)

Venue: Hotel Grand Mercure Surya Palace, Vadodara

Attendees:

Dr. Tushar Panchal – Group CEO, GIC (05/10/2024)

Mr. KD Singh – Incubation Manager, GTU (05/10/2024)

Mr. Yajuvendra Singh Chauhan – Project Manager (04/10/2024)

Event Overview :

GTU Innovation Council became ecosystem partner for TIECON Vadodara : TiECon Vadodara 2024, held on October 4th and 5th, 2024, at Hotel Grand Mercure, Vadodara, brought together a diverse group of entrepreneurs, investors, industry leaders, and startup founders. Organized by TiE Vadodara, the event hosted multiple sessions focused on key sectors including Clean Energy, HealthTech, Manufacturing, and Student-led startups.

Key Sessions Attended

1. Pitch-a-Thon + Start-up Awards (October 4th, 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM)

A major highlight was the Pitch-a-Thon, where over 80 startups competed in front of a jury, showcasing innovative solutions in sectors like Clean Energy, HealthTech, and Manufacturing.

Notable Startups:

AccQuant FinTech LLP: Introduced HydrogenBooks, a cloud-based accounting SaaS platform(Start-up Pitch Preview).

AiRotor Technologies: Presented AI-powered UAV solutions for precision agriculture and mapping(Start-up Pitch Preview).

PIVAGA: A gaming company specializing in esports analytics, supported by IIMA Ventures(Start-up Pitch Preview).

The startup awards were powered by Ami Lifesciences, with Elecon as the driving force behind the Pitch-a-Thon (Program Outline TiECon).

2. Inaugural Session (October 4th, 9:30 AM)

The event kicked off with an opening speech by Maulik Bhansali, President of TiE Vadodara, followed by context-setting remarks from Bharat Bafna, the TiEcon Chair. The session emphasized Gujarat's growing startup ecosystem, supported by industry leaders(Program Outline TiECon ...).

3. Fireside Chats

"My Story" by Shradha Sharma, Founder of YourStory, shared her entrepreneurial journey and how platforms like YourStory empower startup communities(Program Outline TiECon ...).

"Conquer the Globe" (Panel Discussion): Focused on how Indian startups can scale globally, with insights from Rahul Kothari, COO of Razorpay, and other industry experts(Program Outline TiECon ...).

Noteworthy Insights from Networking Sessions

During breaks and networking opportunities, KD Singh and Dr. Tushar Panchal engaged with various stakeholders:

Industry Collaboration Opportunities: Discussions with investors and entrepreneurs centered around corporate-startup partnerships, particularly in manufacturing and sustainability sectors.

Emerging Trends: Key insights were gathered on sustainable innovations in healthcare, artificial intelligence applications in startups, and the evolving role of incubators.

Exhibition & Expo

The Startup Expo, powered by Transpek, featured over 35 booths, where emerging startups exhibited their products and services. The expo highlighted the innovative edge of Gujarat's startup ecosystem (Program Outline TiECon ...).

TiECon Vadodara 2024 was a significant success, fostering collaboration, knowledge-sharing, and innovation across sectors. GTU's active role as an ecosystem partner, along with Dr. Tushar Panchal's participation, further strengthened relationships between academia and industry. The event reinforced Vadodara's position as a key hub for startups and innovation in Gujarat.





