

MSDUK 2023 BUSINESS AND INNOVATION SHOW

SPEAKER BRIEFING SESSION 6

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DATE

14th September 2023

TIME

15:30 - 16:20 (50 mins)

LOCATION

Leonardo Royal Hotel
London Tower Bridge
45 Prescott St
London, E1 8GP

OVERVIEW

BUSINESS AND INNOVATION SHOW

MSDUK Business & Innovation Show is bringing together a vibrant community of entrepreneurs, sourcing buyers, and supplier diversity professionals. The two-day event consists of Panel Sessions, Innovation Challenge finals, EMB workshops, Business Exhibition, Corporate Roundtables, and much more. It serves as a platform for connecting, learning, and cultivating prosperous partnerships within a diverse and inclusive business ecosystem.

The panel sessions bring together supplier diversity executives, procurement professionals and Ethnic Minority Businesses to discuss, debate and share common challenges and opportunities to achieve greater outcomes across corporate supplier diversity programmes. It also provides a platform for our corporate members to share their successful supplier diversity programmes and hear from ethnic minority businesses about their experiences. We are confident that this conference will not only provide valuable insights and business opportunities but also leave a lasting impression on all participants and attendees.

SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

SESSION PLAN

Time	Item	Who
15:10	Meet at the MSDUK desk, Level 1	Priyanka and Jenny
15:15	Mic and other technical checks	Tech Team
15:25	Panel to be seated in order of projected slide which will include name, title, and picture.	All
15:30	Session Moderator starts Panel.	All
15:05	Q/A and Final thoughts	All
15:15	Session End - Take group photo	All

Point of Contact(s)

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Room

Beaumont, Level 1

Please meet your point of contact at the MSDUK desk on Level 1 and they will be able to guide you from there.

Please remember to return your mic and any other gadgets after the panel session is over.

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PANEL SESSION

THEME AND SCOPE

Title: The Role of Corporates in supporting SMEs/Diverse Suppliers to measure emissions and take steps toward decarbonisation.

Session Description:

The session will start with Accenture and Goldman Sachs sharing the theory around decarbonisation and why it is so important for SMEs/Diverse Suppliers to play a key role in supporting Corporates to reach their Sustainability targets. They will also share some of the work they have been undertaking in this field with SMEs, discuss some of the key outcomes and recommendations on how Corporates can make tangible commitments to support SMEs to understand, measure and implement ESG with a focus on Sustainability. The session will further examine:

- What measurable and impactful things Corporates are doing to support SMEs/Diverse Suppliers in this area
- Discuss some of the identified best practices so far.

- Identify the opportunities that SMEs/Diverse Suppliers can access in bringing innovation and collaborations to the Sustainability solutions.
- Discuss the role Suppliers/SMEs can play to support decarbonisation of corporate supply chains.
- Discuss the main challenges SMEs/Diverse Suppliers are facing and the solutions.
- Leave SMEs/Diverse Suppliers with tools to measure and implement decarbonisation.

PANEL PROFILES

MEET OUR SPEAKERS



Moderator

BEN NGOBI

Global Supplier Inclusion & Sustainability Director
Accenture

Ben Ngobi leads Accenture's Global Procurement Sustainability programme. Ben is responsible for the strategy to embed Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors into purchasing decisions, working closely with multiple stakeholders in the company. Ben has also been instrumental in building strategy, operational and technological excellence with regard to implementing supplier inclusion and sustainability programmes.

Ben was responsible for enhancing Accenture's approach to integrate small medium and diverse suppliers in its supply chain, in addition, he is helping establish innovations/initiatives that support Accenture's approach on ESG due diligence in procurement, reporting of progress on modern slavery, human rights, biodiversity, audits, stakeholders' engagement, and is part of the team setting new corporate goals in supply chain.

Ben participates in several nonprofit organisations around the world in the areas of supplier inclusion and sustainability. He was part of the team that attended the Climate Conference (COP21) in Paris, setting an ambitious supply chain goal which the company achieved on time. He is a speaker on climate and human rights topics within procurement, and a subject matter advisor on implementing supplier diversity programmes. Ben has degrees in Business Management and Environment, Development Studies and International Management from UK universities.



Panel speaker

ANANT PATEL

Strategic Buyer - Local Direct Materials

Nestle

Anant Patel is the Strategic Buyer at Nestle, looking after locally sourced direct materials. He has held several Supply Chain roles throughout his career in both SMEs and Corporate organisations. At Nestle, he developed and launched the Nestle Wheat Plan - which is a programme to drive Regenerative Agricultural practices with the Farmers, linked to Nestle's Net Zero ambitions.

He enjoys working in diverse teams which bring several benefits such as innovation, creativity, and promote inclusivity and engagement across all team members. He is an advocate for developing and coaching individuals to enable them to fulfil their potential.

He comes from a diverse background as well where both his parents were born in Africa whilst having origins in India. He loves travelling, cooking whilst exploring different cuisines and has a passion for Cricket.



Panel speaker

MARIA CAMPBEL

Sustainable Supply Chain Manager

Goldmans Sachs

Maria Campbell is the Sustainable Supply Chain Manager for Goldman Sachs. In this role, she has responsibility for managing ESG risk within the Firm's global supply chain and is focused on achieving Net Zero Carbon by 2030.



Panel speaker

ROHIT BARDAIYAR
Executive Vice President
VDart

Rohit Bardaiyar is the Executive Vice President for VDart, a digital workforce solutions company, responsible for strategic sales and managing key national accounts. Most recently in 2021, Rohit has co-founded TrustPeople, a BPM Workforce Solutions company and is leading the growth charter of the organization, as their Chief Sales Officer.

Rohit brings more than 25 years of strategy, consulting, P&L and account management experience, partnering with both emerging and Fortune 500 technology companies. A thought leader, having a proven track record of developing profitable businesses from the ground up, Rohit is experienced in collaborating with CxO's, Business and IT leaders to drive sustainable growth. A post-graduate in Business, Rohit has attended various Executive and Leadership programs including Tuck Business School and mentoring/leadership development programs with Delta Air Lines and Accenture. In 2021, under his leadership, VDart successfully graduated from Accenture's Diverse Supplier Development Program on Sustainability. Rohit was also a part of two major mentoring and supplier development programs with Accenture, and Delta Air Lines in 2013-14.



Panel speaker

SIAN
Sustainable Sourcing Assistant Director, ESGS
EY

Sian manages EY's ESG in a procurement programme focusing on decarbonisation, human rights and supplier due diligence. She was recently seconded into the EY Travel Meetings and Events team, focusing on aviation, hotels and events strategies. This included assessing EY's approach to sustainable aviation fuel and how EY measures a 'sustainable' hotel.

She has a background in tea sustainability, living wages, supplier due diligence and supplier diversity and earned an MA in Human Rights from the University of Sussex. Sian is passionate about decarbonisation, renewable energy, biodiversity, labour standards and the role of corporations in building environmentally and socially sustainable supply chains.