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We are pleased to invite you to the **First EuroIndia Conference** organized in partnership with the *HEC Alumni Association* and *the Paris Chamber of Commerce & Industry* on the theme:

India - Economic and political challenges for the new Government

addressed by

Mr. Deepak PAREKH

Emeritus & Founding Member of *The EuroIndia Centre*
Chairman of Housing Development Finance Corporation (HDFC), India

Tuesday, June 16, 2009, 18.30 to 20.00

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27 avenue de Friedland, 75008 Paris.

Mr. Bertrand COLLOMB

Emeritus & Founding Member of *The EuroIndia Centre*
Honorary Chairman of the Lafarge group will preside.

Deepak Parekh is among the most respected business leaders of India, the man behind the housing finance revolution that helped and continues to support millions of Indians to become homeowners. HDFC remains one of the most reputed financial institutions, high on performance, uncompromising on ethics and upholding tried and tested values. A hugely talented financier, he is today seen more as a 'corporate leader' serving the interests of society well beyond the confines of HDFC and its sister organizations in Banking, Insurance, Infrastructure and Asset Management that he presides.

The government of India appointed him in January to the Board of NYSE-listed Satyam Computers when the 4th ranked Indian IT company was plagued by a massive fraud. The transparent and decisive manner in which Satyam was stabilized under his stewardship and sold off to keep its business afloat and clientele served speaks for his leadership, the trust that he inspires in the government, in the corporate world and in the domestic and international stakeholders.

Mr. Parekh has been a key adviser to successive Prime Ministers on a range of policy issues spanning finance, infrastructure and investment and has been a member of numerous committees set up by the government to make recommendations in specific economic, financial and social domains. He is an active civil society personality at the forefront of social housing as well as for the cause of his home city, Mumbai

Finally, Mr. Parekh remains one of the few constant and reassuring faces of Indian business since the early days of the economic liberalization process that started in 1991 under the stewardship of Dr. Manmohan Singh, the then Finance Minister who is going into an unprecedented second term as the Prime Minister of India, as we write this. Deepak Parekh, a committed, active and admired public personality, in addition to being a gifted business leader and a star performer among the captains of Indian industry, has been a trusted advisor to Dr. Manmohan Singh for many years.

His visit to Paris coinciding with the Annual General Meeting of The EuroIndia Centre gives us a unique opportunity to share his insights on the new political dispensation in New Delhi after the federal elections and the economic outlook for India under the new government, in the context of the global financial crisis and economic slowdown. He is of those business leaders who can knit economic, political and social issues, both domestic and international, into an expert analysis of Indian business and market outlook.

We look forward to the pleasure of seeing at the *First EuroIndia Conference* to share another momentous occasion in the life of your Centre and listen to one of your eminent fellow members.

With warm regards.



Michel Sabatier
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Deepak Parekh has been Chairman of HDFC Limited since February 1993. He joined HDFC in 1978 and was appointed Managing Director in 1985.

He is the non-executive Chairman of Infrastructure Development Finance Company Ltd, Glaxo SmithKline Pharmaceuticals Ltd, HDFC Asset Management Company Ltd. (a joint venture with Standard Life Investments, U.K.), HDFC Standard Life Insurance Company Ltd., HDFC ERGO General Insurance Ltd., Siemens India Ltd. and Lafarge India.

Mr. Parekh was nominated by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs to the Board of Satyam Computer Services Ltd. as a Special Director and by the Ministry of Civil Aviation to the Board of Airports Authority of India.

Mr. Parekh has been a member of various Committees set up by the Government of India and is regularly consulted by the Government on a wide range of policy issues: housing finance, insurance reforms, banking sector reforms, forward trading in capital markets, infrastructure investment and long term funding, taxation of life insurance, securities market regulation, restructuring plans for weak banks, energy, civil aviation, primary markets, competition regulation, trade & industry, affordable housing, pension funds...

Mr Parekh was awarded the prestigious Padma Bhushan (Indian civilian decoration) by the President of India in 2005.

Mr. Parekh was honored as the Outstanding Indian Business Leader of the Year - 2008 by CNBC. He was bestowed NDTV's outstanding Indian Business Leader of the Year - 2008, the Lifetime Achievement Award for outstanding contribution to the real estate sector at the CNBC Awaaz Crisil Real Estate Awards 2008, the Lifetime Achievement Award for his services to the financial services and banking industry in India by Finance Asia magazine – Hongkong. The Priyadarshni Academy honoured him for his outstanding contribution to Banking and Financial Services and the Indian Merchants Chamber awarded him the IMC Juran Quality Medal 2008 for excellent customer-centric work in various initiatives relating to the field of Banking & Finance.

Mr. Parekh was the youngest recipient of the prestigious Corporate Award for Life Time Achievement by the Economic Times. He was also chosen as the 'Best Non-Executive Director – 2006' by the Asian Centre for Corporate Governance in recognition of his leadership on the board of several large companies and was recognized for his work in the areas of philanthropy and social commitment by the American India Foundation in 2007. Mr. Parekh's other awards include: Businessman of the Year 1996 from Business India, JRD Tata Corporate Leadership Award from the All India Management Association (AIMA).

Recognized as one of the *Stars* of Asia by international Business Week, he was listed among the top fifty Asian leaders at the forefront of change. He has also emerged as one of the top 25 most influential people in business and finance across Asia-Pacific as per a report by ASIAMONEY; rated as one of the most powerful people in the India Today magazine Power List for 2009 and rated as one of the most powerful CEO's of India Inc by the Economic Times 2009.