

A Proud Milestone for SEIL

Innovāre- Schneider Electric's R&D Centre Bangalore Inaugurated

Innovation is an inherent part of Schneider Electric's DNA. It is the key to achieve our vision of meeting the planet's energy challenges and making smart grid a reality. On 12 March 2014, we achieved a significant milestone, reaffirming our position as a major force in R&D with the inauguration of **innovāre** - Schneider Electric's Research and Development (R&D) centre at Beary's Global Research Triangle (BGRT), Bangalore.

In a memorable ceremony with leading luminaries like N Narayan Murthy, Founder & Executive Chairman of the Board, Infosys, G. Kumar Naik, Managing Director, KPTCL and Philippe Delorme, Executive VP, Schneider Electric, the facility was formally inaugurated.

Addressing the gathering of over 1000 employees, Anil Chaudhry, Country President & Managing Director, Schneider Electric said, "Establishment of the centre is a reaffirmation of SE's commitment for India's team. I count on team to make this innovāre centre best in India as well as in SE world"

Highlight of the inauguration was the release of balloons of various hues in the sky, commemorating this proud milestone. 'Dollu Kunitha', a folk dance from Karnataka added to the celebratory mood.

Later in the day, the guests and other dignitaries were taken for a campus walk and a lab tour by Ramesh Phatak, Vice President Research and Development. The 'LEED Platinum' certified campus impressed the guests with its state-of-the-art infrastructure and world class environment, designed to harness the strength of R&D and accelerate innovation.

The event was attended by Jean Damarius, Senior Vice President, Partner Global Engineering, Markus Harlinghausen, Senior Vice President, Strategy for Partner. Also present were the dignitaries Dr. Jenifer Clark, Science & Technology Attaché, French Embassy, Siddharth Balachandran, Trade Advisor, French Trade Commission, Hema Ravichandar, Advisory Board, SE and Syed Mohammad Beary, BGRT Campus.

Congratulations Schneider Electric!

"We Indians are very grateful to Schneider Electric for helping us to be at the forefront of sustainability".

N Narayan Murthy

Founder & Executive Chairman of the board, Infosys

"I am delighted to be associated with the inauguration function. As India grows economically, role of electricity cannot be overemphasized. Contribution of R&D unit of SE will be of great relevance. Let's travel together".

G. Kumar Naik

Managing Director, KPTCL

"Best of luck to the innovāre team. Let's make sure that we brief team to the next step = ONE + INNOVATION team for India and for global with all support of the whole SE leadership."

Philippe Delorme

Executive VP, Schneider Electric