

# CTO Forum

*A networking forum for innovation leaders in the Pune region*

The CTO Forum is a networking forum for Chief Technology Officers or Research Directors or their equivalents in science/ technology-led organizations/ companies in the Pune region. The CTO Forum aims to create platforms where innovation leaders can interact, share ideas, discover synergies and shape an innovation economy for the Pune region.

The CTO Forum is an idea proposed by Dr S. Sivaram, Director, National Chemical Laboratory, Pune which is expected to take shape in the coming months. The Venture Center ([www.venturecenter.co.in](http://www.venturecenter.co.in)) located at the NCL Innovation Park has agreed to provide operational support and facilitate the activities of the CTO Forum.

Today, the Pune region is host to several science/technology-led and research oriented companies and organizations. In recent years, several technology innovations have emerged from the Pune region; several of these technology innovations are clear indicators of an innovation-rich future for the Pune region. In this context, the CTO Forum is expected to fill an important role in providing innovation leaders of this region to network amongst themselves and thus accelerate the pace of innovation.

## **Members:**

- Chief Technology Officers/ Research Director or equivalents of science/technology-led companies and organizations
- Any other innovation leaders recommended by the members
- Membership by invitation only

## **Activities:**

The CTO Forum plans to begin by holding periodic meetings of its members. The meetings will be anchored by a broad interest talk on themes of interests to the members. The meetings are expected to also include structured discussions on selected themes besides an informal high-tea.

The other activities of the CTO Forum shall be decided by the members in their meetings.

## **Champions:**

- Dr RA Mashelkar, President, Global Research Alliance & ex DG-CSIR.

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