

Shri Senapathy Gopalakrishnan



Shri Senapathy Gopalakrishnan, born on April 5, 1955, is the Chairperson of Axilor Ventures, a seed fund. Shri Gopalakrishnan served as the vice chairperson of Infosys from 2011 to 2014 and as the chief executive officer and managing director of Infosys from 2007 to 2011. Shri Gopalakrishnan is one of the co-founders of Infosys. Recognized as a global business and technology thought leader, he was voted the top CEO (IT Services category) in Institutional Investor's Inaugural ranking of Asia's Top Executives and selected as one of the winners of the second Asian Corporate Director Recognition Awards by Corporate Governance Asia in 2011. He also was selected to Thinkers 50, an elite list of global business thinkers in 2009. He was elected President of India's apex industry chamber Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for 2013-14. He served as one of the co-chairs of the World Economic Forum in Davos in January 2014.

In January 2011, the Government of India awarded Shri Gopalakrishnan the **Padma Bhushan**.

Shri Gopalakrishnan serves on the Board of Governors of Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology (OIST) and is the Chairperson, Board of Governors of IIIT, Bangalore. He is the Chairperson of the Vision Group on Information Technology of Karnataka Government and the Chairperson of CII Start-up Council. Shri Gopalakrishnan invests in promoting research on Brain sciences, and aging related disorders. He has been actively promoting start-ups and start-up ecosystem in India.

Shri Gopalakrishnan holds Master's degrees in physics and computer science from the Indian Institute of Technology Madras. Shri Gopalakrishnan is a Fellow of Indian National Academy of Engineers (INAE) and an Honorary Fellow of Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE) of India.