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N. R. NARAYANA MURTHY (Date of Birth : August 20, 1946, Education : B. E. Electrical '67, Univ. of Mysore; M. Tech. '69, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India) is the Chairman of the Board and Chief Mentor of Infosys Technologies Limited, a global Information Technology (IT) consulting and software services provider, headquartered at Bangalore, India. He founded Infosys in 1981 along with six other software professionals & served as the CEO of Infosys for twenty years before handing over the reins of the company to co-founder, Mr. Nandan M. Nilekani, in March 2002. He served as the Executive Chairman of the Board and Chief Mentor from 2002 to 2006. Under his leadership Infosys was listed on NASDAQ in 1999.

Mr. Murthy is the chairman of the governing body of the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore. He is a member of the Board of Overseers of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, Cornell University Board of Trustees, Singapore Management University Board of Trustees, INSEAD's Board of Directors, Asian Institute of Management's Board of Governors and the Executive Board of Indian School of Business. He is also a member of the Advisory Boards and Councils of various well-known universities - such as the Stanford Graduate School of Business, the Corporate Governance initiative at the Harvard Business School, the Yale University and the University of Tokyo's President's Council.

Mr. Murthy has led key corporate governance initiatives in India. He was the Chairman of the committee on Corporate Governance appointed by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) in 2003.

Mr. Murthy serves as an independent director on the board of the DBS Bank, Singapore, the largest government-owned bank in Singapore and on the boards of Unilever, NV and Unilever, plc. He is a member of the Asia Pacific Advisory Board of British Telecommunications plc., and a member of the Board of New Delhi Television Ltd. (NDTV), India. He serves as a member of the Prime Minister's Council on Trade and Industry, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the United Nations Foundation. He is an IT advisor to several Asian countries. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of TiE Inc. (Global), a worldwide network of entrepreneurs and professionals dedicated to fostering entrepreneurship and Chairman of the Asia Business Council, a consortium of CEO-level leaders with operations in Asia.

Mr. Murthy has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors. He was chosen by The Economist to receive their Innovation award in the area of "Business Process" for the contributions made to the globalization of IT services (2007). He received the Ernst Weber Engineering Leadership Recognition Award (2007) from The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE) for his pioneering role in the globalization of IT services and leadership in establishing global business and governance practices in India.

The Economist ranked him 8th in the list of the top 15 most admired global leaders (2005). He was ranked 28th among the world's most-respected business leaders by the Financial Times (2005). He topped the Economic Times Corporate Dossier list of India's most powerful CEOs for three consecutive years – 2004, 2005 & 2006. The TIME magazine "Global Tech Influentials" list (August 2004) identified Mr. Murthy as one of the ten leaders who are helping shape the future of technology. In 2006, the TIME magazine again voted him as one of the Asian heroes who have brought about revolutionary changes in Asia in the last 60 years. He was the first recipient of the Indo-French Forum Medal (in the year 2003), awarded by the Indo-French Forum, in recognition of his role in promoting Indo-French ties. He was voted the World Entrepreneur of the Year - 2003 by Ernst and Young. He was one of the two people named as Asia's Businessmen of the Year for 2003 by Fortune magazine. In 2001, he was named by TIME/CNN as one of the twenty-five most influential global executives, a group selected for their lasting influence in creating new industries and reshaping markets. He was awarded the Max Schmidheiny Liberty 2001 prize (Switzerland), in recognition of his promotion of individual responsibility and liberty. In 1999, BusinessWeek named him one of their nine Entrepreneurs of the Year, and he was featured in BusinessWeek's 'The Stars of Asia' for three successive years - 1998, 1999 and 2000.

He has been conferred Honorary Doctorate degree by several well-known universities in India and abroad.

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