

BITS BioCyTiH Foundation

CEO Profile

Dr Satya Dash is an innovation ecosystem designer, technology strategy, policy and implementation expert. He has contributed to the growth of Indian biotech & medtech innovation landscape by designing, implementing & driving 17 national programs when he was the founding Head, Strategy Partnerships & Entrepreneurship Development & in-charge Head, IP & TT at BIRAC such as BIG (India's largest biotech/medtech program), social innovation (SPARSH), incubation (BioNEST), equity (BIRAC SEED & AcE), WinER including creating BIRAC Regional Centres (BRIC & BREC), BIRAC-Path (for IP filing) and 12 partnerships (Nesta UK, WISH Foundation, Tekes Finland, TiE, Indian Angel Network amongst others). He was also the founding co-ordinator for Make in India at BIRAC. Cumulatively, more than 2000 startups/innovators and more than 60 incubators have been supported by these programs resulting in more than 200 products in the market. In 2012, he authored the Indian Biotechnology industry roadmap at the behest of Department of Biotechnology (DBT) that gave a stated policy goal of achieving US\$100 Billion biotech industry in the country.

He is a Board Member of Venture Center (India's largest S&T incubator), Cygenica (a cell delivery startup), Honorary Trustee of Surabhi Foundation (creative arts foundation), Advisor - Pandorum (tissue engineering) and briefly headed the Global AMR R&D Hub at Berlin. He was also the Director of Global Innovation at PATH (international non-profit health implementation organisation) where he built a health innovation vertical, COO of ABLE (India's nodal biotech industry body), Consultant to Longitude Prize (in AMR diagnostics), UK, IIM Bangalore, researcher at the Institute of Manufacturing (IfM), Judge Business School, University of Cambridge, and Kings' College London. He holds triple masters from Universities of Sambalpur (India), Leicester (UK), and Cambridge (UK) and a PhD from UEA, Norwich, UK. He was awarded British Chevening Scholarship (1998) and International Visitor Leadership Program (2020, USA Government, Department of State).

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