## R Chidambaram to attend IIT-I's Industry-Academia conclave

## The 4th Industry-Academia Conclave (IAC)-2016 will be organised by IIT-Indore from February 18 to 20

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Principal Secretary Advisor to the Central Government, Rajagopalá Chidambaram will attend the 4th Industry-Academia Conclave (IAC)-2016 to be organised by the Indian Institute of Technology Indore from February 18 to 20.

Chidambaram will be the chief guest in the inaugural function of the conclave.

The three-day conclave would to be attended by representatives of topnotch companies, the institute's faculty members and students.

The theme of this year's conclave is, 'Emerging Technologies and Innovations'.

The IAC-2016 aims at fostering relations between IIT-Indore and the industries. It is a sui generis platform that intends to encourage an interaction between the Academia and Industry, which might further lead to work on developing efficient solutions to complex problems which plague both.

"Since its inception in 2012, IAC has evolved into a forum where experts from both Industry and Academia discuss and address important concerns, and galvanise their efforts towards forging successful partnerships that would prove mutually beneficial," the organisers said.

The conclave will bring together experts from the industry and R&D organisations to discuss some prime issues concerning the relationship between industry and academia based on current societal requirement.

The IAC-2016, as an endeavour, will focus on exploring research and consultancy avenues between IIT-Indore and corporate organisations.

IAC-2016 also, for the first time, will present an 'Innovation Pavilion', where innovators from all over India will be given a chance to exhibit their products on one of the most prestigious platforms for Industry-Academia interactions.

The major attributes of the IAC will be technical talks by key-note speakers exploring avenues of possible fusion pertaining to research and consultancy, as well as panel discussions to find plausible solutions to bridge corporate expectation with academic training.