ET NOW Global Business Summit 2026 to reflect on 'A Decade of Disruption, A Century of Change'

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South Asia's definitive thought leadership dialogue, **The Times Group's ET NOW Global Business Summit 2026 co-powered by Spark Capital and Bennett University**, is back. The Summit will be held on February 13 and 14 in New Delhi, with the theme ***'A Decade of Disruption, A Century of Change'***. This has been, by most accounts, a decade of unprecedented disruption, marked by seismic shifts in geopolitics, climate, capital and technology. In fact, over these ten years, the world has learnt to view disruption not just as a rare event but almost as a constant. There is a new and often chaotic world order and Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology has already disrupted the way we live and work. Then, rapid and unforeseen climate change emergencies have often required an urgent systemic response, which needs resources and newer SOPs. And, the Covid19 pandemic and a large number of economic realignments have simultaneously fractured legacy models.

As a result, we are not just managing change, we are entering a ***Century of Change*** and new paradigms of leadership, growth and governance must be reimagined which continue to also remain rooted in resilience, inclusivity and ethical innovation. Amid these challenges, the Global Business Summit offers a platform for discussions around critical socio-economic and business issues.

It is only befitting that India, now the world's fourth largest economy and a rising global power, should host thought leaders, policy makers and heads of state during the Global Business Summit.

The summit holds an extraordinary convening power, having brought together Nobel laureates, heads of state, senior policymakers, global business leaders,

technocrats and leading thinkers from India and the world through the last decade.

In the previous editions, the summit has hosted leaders and luminaries from across the world like Prime Minister of Guyana Mr. Mark Anthony Phillips, Commonwealth's Secretary-General Rt Hon Patricia Scotland KC, Nobel Laureate Paul Krugman, Microsoft’s Bill Gates, Blackstone Group’s Stephen A. Schwarzman, Apple’s Steve Wozniak, Airbnb’s Brian Chesky, Netflix’s Reed Hastings, Standard Chartered Bank's Bill Winters, Franklin Templeton's Jenny Johnson and many others, fostering discussions that have often influenced policies and business practices across sectors.

The 2026 edition will explore the defining challenges and opportunities of our time, from economic disruption and Industry 5.0 to globalisation, workforce transformations, energy security and business diversification. In all, ET NOW Global Business Summit 2026 will host over 2,000 high-profile delegates, making it a unique platform for dialogue, collaboration and global insight-sharing.