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Interview with Philip Faber

Partner, Colin&Cie. Luxembourg S.A.

Message from the President



President's Note

The world today is marked by fragmentation, economic uncertainty, and shifting geopolitical dynamics. Tariffs and protectionist measures have disrupted trade flows, while confrontation increasingly overshadows cooperation. In such times, it becomes even more vital for like-minded nations to strengthen partnerships built on stability, trust, and shared prosperity.

India continues to stand out as a beacon of resilience and growth, now the fastest-growing major economy in the world, progressing steadfastly despite global headwinds. Many economies are recognizing this momentum and are deepening engagement with India as an essential partner in global value chains, innovation, and sustainable development.

Luxembourg must also view India as a priority market and seize the strategic opportunities that lie ahead. Our countries are united by strong complementarities in finance, space, technology, and sustainability. The thriving Indian community in Luxembourg proudly calls this nation home and contributes meaningfully to its economic and cultural vitality.

We are encouraged by the growing frequency of Indian ministerial and official visits to the EU capital, reflecting a committed effort to advance the EU-India Free Trade Agreement, with real optimism for its conclusion within this year.

As we look to the future, let us remain hopeful that the coming times will usher in greater peace, stability, and a stronger India-Luxembourg partnership than ever before.

Himanshu UPADHYAY

President & Member of the Board

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In Focus

Philip Faber, Partner, Colin&Cie. Luxembourg S.A.

What motivated your decision to join IBCL and support Indian-Luxembourg relations?

At Colin&Cie, we believe deeply in the power of meaningful connection - between cultures, communities, and businesses. We are convinced that building bridges between people creates long-lasting value for all involved.



Philip Faber | Partner
Colin&Cie. Luxembourg S.A.

Over the past decades, the Indian community in Luxembourg has grown impressively, enriching our country with its vitality, values, and entrepreneurial spirit. As a political and economic powerhouse, India commands a respected and essential role on the global stage - a role we fully acknowledge and admire.

Luxembourg, at the heart of Europe and open to the world, takes great pride in being a committed partner in India's continued growth and success.

We are truly honoured to have been welcomed into IBCL and, more broadly, into the community surrounding India - Luxembourg relations.

For us at Colin&Cie, this partnership is far more than a professional engagement - it is a genuine opportunity to contribute in the best way we know how: by building long-term, trusted relationships rooted in respect and shared values.

Could you briefly introduce your company?

Colin&Cie is one of the leading independent wealth management firms operating in Luxembourg and Switzerland. We specialise in designing tailored investment solutions for institutional clients as well as high-net-worth individuals.

We currently manage assets of more than €2 billion. Our investment universe spans a broad spectrum, including global equities, fixed income, precious metals/commodities and alternative investments (private equity and private debt).

We are fully licensed and regulated by the financial authorities in both Luxembourg and Switzerland. At the core of everything we do are our clients - and their unique financial goals.

All investment decisions are driven by our in-house Investment Office, which follows a rigorous, data-driven process - independent of short-term market trends, speculation, or third-party biases. It is our ambition to establish Colin&Cie as the go-to wealth management partner for the Indian community in Luxembourg - built on excellence, trust, and long-term commitment.

We warmly welcome everyone who wishes to connect with us.

How do you see the future of wealth management?

The wealth management industry has undergone a fundamental transformation over the past decade. From an increasingly complex regulatory landscape to the rise of Artificial Intelligence, digital assets, and private markets - the industry is evolving at unprecedented speed.

At the same time, global political norms and long-established alliances have become less predictable, adding uncertainty to financial planning and decision-making. In these uncertain times, we believe our approach provides both stability and clarity – while remaining focused on helping our clients reach their financial goals.

We are firmly committed to an individual, independent, Goal-Based-Investment strategy - one that prioritises long-term objectives over short-term performance or market driven hype that may compromise future outcomes.

In a fast-changing world, Colin&Cie remains a reliable, forward-thinking partner.

Announcements

IBCL has a new board member


Dr. Pranjul Shah is a dynamic leader in Entrepreneurship and Innovation, currently serving as the Head of the Incubator at the University of Luxembourg (UL) and an innovation faculty member at the MIT LinQ.

As the chief architect of the UL’s entrepreneurship, venture mentoring, and acceleration programs, he played a pivotal role in launching 80+ university ventures. Dr. Shah's influence extends across Europe, with teaching engagements at prominent universities. His work has significantly contributed to Luxembourg’s growing reputation as a hub for academic startups.

Dr. Shah holds a PhD in Physics and Nanotechnology and has a background in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. As a Kauffman Foundation Global Scholar, he has been trained at MIT, Stanford, and Harvard. He also lends his expertise to various boards and juries, including Startup WorldCup Luxembourg.

Dr. Shah's research has led to cutting-edge technologies in the fields of human microbiome research, organs-on-chips, and aging. His research and innovation contributions have fetched prestigious awards such as the Outstanding Research-Driven Innovation from the National Research Fund of Luxembourg.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Shah on the IBCL board.

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IBCL Events

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location
NOV - 26	Leveraging India's GCC Landscape for Growing Companies	EY Luxembourg

Past Events

Navigating the intersection of profit and purpose | EY



Navigating the intersection of profit and purpose: Technology's role in shaping the future
Event Date: Thursday, 07.11.2024
Event location: EY, Kirchberg

India Luxembourg Partnership | LCC



India Luxembourg Partnership: driving Global Growth And Unlocking Investment Opportunities
Event Date: Wednesday, 26th March 2025
Event Location: Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce

Exponential India | LHofT



Exponential India: Bridging Cross Border Innovation in Finance
Event Date: Friday, 23rd May 2025
Event Location: Luxembourg House of Financial Technology

IBCL Space Event



Space Tech In 2030: Luxembourg's role in the Global Ecosystem
Event Date: June 25, 2025
Event Location: EY, Kirchberg

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IBCL Member News

Some of our esteemed members



Infographics

India: The Global GCC Capital!

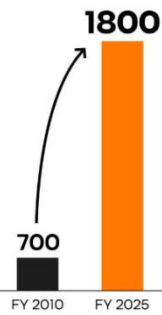
Nearly 50% of the World's GCCs are Now in India, With Three New GCCs Every 2 Weeks

Top 5 Preferred GCC Location by Rank

- ①  India
- ②  USA
- ③  Mexico
- ④  Poland
- ⑤  China



Number of GCCs in India



Source: Deloitte

India: The Global GCC Capital!

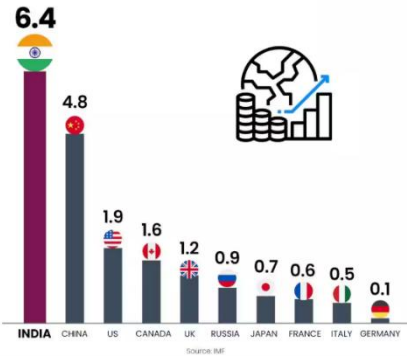


Source: Government of India

Sep, 2025

Accelerating Past Expectations: IMF Upgrades India's FY26 Trajectory!

Real GDP (annual % change) (2025 Projections):



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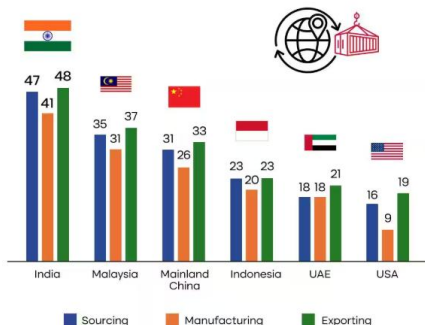


Source: Government of India

Jul, 2025

India Emerges as Global Supply Chain Magnet

Top Trade Corridors of Interest (Net Intention %)



Source: Standard Chartered report 'Future of Trade Resilience', data as on 24 Sept 2025

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Source: Government of India

Sep, 2025

Historic Milestone Unlocked: 250 GW Installed Non-Fossil Capacity

Installed Non-Fossil Capacity (in GW)



Source: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy; Data as on September 2025

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Source: Government of India

Sep, 2025

Learning

Luxembourgish: Luxembourgish is a West Germanic language that is spoken mainly in Luxembourg. About 300,000 people speak Luxembourgish worldwide. The language is a standardized language and officially the national language of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Where to learn Luxembourgish?

Learning Luxembourgish is essential for residents as it fosters integration, cultural understanding, and community cohesion. The Luxembourg government supports language learning through courses provided by the National Institute of Languages (INL) and offers financial aid for language courses. More information can be found [here](#).

IBCL highly encourages the Indian diaspora in Luxembourg to learn Luxembourgish, and there are plenty of places to learn Luxembourgish. Follow this link to learn more about the learning options available [here](#).



Luxembourg Highlights

Luxembourg Welcomes a New Grand Duke



Image Credit: Getty Images

On October 3, Luxembourg witnessed a historic moment as Grand Duke Guillaume officially ascended the throne following the abdication of his father, Henri, after 25 years of reign. The 43-year-old sovereign took his oath before the Chamber of Deputies and greeted thousands of well-wishers from the Grand Ducal Palace balcony alongside his wife, Grand Duchess Stéphanie. The celebrations included a gala dinner, a nationwide tour, and cultural festivities, marking the start of a new chapter for the world's only remaining grand duchy.

India Highlights

Raulane Festival Lights Up Kinnaur



Himachal Pradesh's Kinnaur district recently celebrated the centuries-old Raulane Festival, a vibrant winter ritual honoring celestial fairies known as *Saunis*. The highlight of the festival is a symbolic "marriage" between two men, Raula (groom) and Raulane (bride), who don ornate woollen attire and masks to perform a slow, meditative dance at the Nagin Narayan Temple. This sacred tradition, believed to be over 5,000 years old, reflects gratitude for divine protection during harsh winters and reinforces the community's deep cultural roots.

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