

GUIITAR COUNCIL EVENT REPORT

Name of activity: FIRESIDE CHAT with Mr. FABIAN SCHVARTZMAN

Nature of the Activity: Webinar

Date, Time and Venue of the Activity: 04/10/2020, 07:00 P.M. to 08:00 P.M., GUIITAR Council, GSFC University, Vadodara

Organized by: GUIITAR Council, GSFC University, Vadodara

Number of participants for the event: 100+

Speaker Profile:

- Mr. Fabian Schvartzman is an accomplished leader with 10+ years of diverse business leadership and management experience and is currently a Strategic Research and Technology Development Lead at AEROFARMS, Newark, New Jersey, USA. AeroFarms, is the leader of the vertical farming space.
- He is a thought leader in BioTech and AgTech, serving as an IndieBio mentor, assisting companies selected for the world's leading biotechnology accelerator, in addition, speaking at high-caliber conferences such as the World Knowledge Forum and as guest lecturer at Rutgers Business School.
- Mr. Schavartzmann's academic performance is as impressive as his professional achievements. He holds an MBA degree from Stanford Graduate School of Business and was selected for the prestigious Insite Fellow Program. He finished his masters from Weizmann Institute of Science in Chemistry where he investigated the biophysics of Alzheimer's Disease. He graduated SUMMA CUM LAUDE in B.Sc Chemistry from Ben-Gurion University.

Major discussions in event:

- Indoor Vertical Farming concept and applications
- Advantages of Urban Farming
- Technology tool i.e. Machine Vision, AI usaged for Farming
- Possibility of Growing Staple Crops through Vertical Farming
- Importance of Sustainable Innovation and Environment Sustainability



Learning Outcomes for the Activity:

Students learned on fully-controlled indoor vertical farming technology tools usage such as machine vision, artificial intelligence, sensors, data science etc. to grow the best plants possible for the betterment of humanity. Vertical farming is the practice of growing food in vertically stacked layers. Quite often vertical farming happens indoors, such as in a warehouse or greenhouse; the modern concept of vertical farming uses Controlled-Environment Agriculture (CEA) technology. CEA facilities control humidity, temperature, irrigation, nutrients delivery, artificial lighting, etc. Erecting a farm that is in close proximity to the people which it serves by availability of cheaper, organic, disease free crops alongside sustaining the limited natural resources.

How will it be useful for students/School/Universities:

The vertical farm is a world-changing innovation whose time has come. Students understand the integration and usage of different technologies for agriculture sector specific indoor vertical farming.



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