

## WELCOME SPEECH

Distinguished guests,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Let me to extend a sincere welcome to the India IT Show 2015, an international business networking event. This event, that brings together Policymakers, Government officials, Corporate Leaders and Academia Members from all over the world, is an excellent opportunity to discuss emerging issues on ICTs, exchange views on existing challenges and further development perspectives in a global technological market as well as to get acquainted with the latest ICT products and solutions.

I want to take this opportunity to inform you that ICT sector in Armenia has recorded significant progress in the recent decades. The Government of Armenia has acknowledged that the development of ICT is the key factor for increasing country competitiveness and productivity and to create a knowledge economy. Today ICT sector is one of the most developed sectors of Armenian economy, and Armenian Government, jointly with private sector, continues its efforts towards further development of this sector in Armenia. Armenian ICT sector doesn't miss out from the development trends of global economy, and our ICT companies continue providing modern, complete and complex solutions for global markets.

The availability of high-qualified ICT workforce in Armenia stimulated a number of multinational companies to open their branches in Armenia and actively cooperate with us in this sphere. Among them are such companies as Microsoft, VM Ware, Synopsys, Mentor Graphics, D-Link, IBM, Oracle, National Instruments etc. At the same time, we have several companies, such as Monitis Armenia, PicsArt, etc., which successfully present their solutions in global markets and involve large foreign investments.