#### **Panel Discussion**



## **COUNTRY BRANDING**

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### Key questions to ask

- What are the factors that influence a nation's brand identity?
- What does it mean when we say BeingRussian, BeingCanadian, BeingAmerican, BeingIndian, BeingSouthAfrican
- How did some of the iconic nation brands rise?
- Why did some nations fall?
- Can a nation be rebranded?

## SUMMARY OF THE COUNTRY BRANDING PANEL AT THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED WCF GENEVA WEEK 2017

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### PEOPLE AND THEIR IMPACT ON COUNTRY BRANDING

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#### People and their impact on country branding!

- The society lives in a belief system. The belief systems of a society become constraints on a nation. By changing the internal belief systems, one can rebrand the nation.
- The society and development of people has a permanent impact on the branding of a nation.
- Having a common threat or having a common goal can unite people in a nation and enhance national identity.

# A NEW TEMPLATE FOR DEFINING THE BRAND IMAGE OF A COUNTRY

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The brand image of a country largely depends on real experiences and stories you have heard about that country.

There is no one image of a nation and it's difficult to keep it consistent. But there is usually a dominant image of a nation and that kind of stays with people in their minds.

# The dominant image affects people's notions and actions linked to that country.

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#### A new template for country brand image

The dominant image of a nation is formed by a combination of transient, perpetual and transforming factors that affect a nation's image.

Transient factors – lasting only for a short time Perpetual factors – so frequent as to seem endless Transforming factors – changing from one form to another

#### **Exclusive launch @WCF Moscow 2017** A new template for defining the brand image of a country.

#### The dominant image of India

- EmergingLargeEconomy (Transient)
- Poverty (Perpetual)
- Prime Minister Modi (Transient)
- Spirituality (Perpetual)
- Yoga (Perpetual)
- Bollywood (Transient)
- ITBackoffice (Transforming)
- Food (Perpetual)

# THANK YOU

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