



Professor Sunil Mani

Dr. Mani, is Planning Commission Chair Professor in Development Economics at the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum. Until 2004, he was a member of the faculty at the United Nations University-Institute for New Technologies (now known as UNU-MERIT) at Maastricht in the Netherlands. He obtained his M.Phil and Ph.D. in Economics from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and has done postdoctoral research at the University of Oxford on a fellowship from the Ford Foundation, New York. He has also been a visiting research fellow at the Institute of Developing Economies in Tokyo. Professor Mani is visiting faculty at Indian Institute of Management- Ahmedabad (PGP- Public Management and Policy) and at Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta (PGP and PGPEX). Further, he is an Honorary Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, an Honorary Fellow of National Institute of Science, Technology and Development Studies (CSIR), New Delhi and also a Visiting Professor at the Institute of Public Enterprise, Hyderabad. Dr. Mani's research focus is on indicators of innovation and public innovation policies in developing countries, and innovation capability in telecommunications equipment industry. He was Head of the Graduate Studies Programme at UNU-INTECH (1998 to June 2003). He was also the co-ordinator of the Institute's post-experience training programme on "Design and Evaluation of Innovation Policies in Developing Countries" and has co-ordinated an India version of the programme at NISTADS, New Delhi in February 2009. Dr. Mani is a member of the Ministry of Science and Technology's (Government of India) Experts Committee on Innovation Surveys and is a member of TIFAC's steering group on Foreign R&D Centres in India. He is also a consultant to the National Advisory Council on Innovation (of the Republic of South Africa), the United Nations for preparing the 2007 TCPR assessment of the capacity development efforts of the UN Development system in the area of National Technological Development and to the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) as part of its Expert Group on Innovation). He also serves on the editorial boards of three international journals *Research Policy (Elsevier)*, *International Journal of Technology and Globalization (Inderscience)*, and *Science Technology and Society (Sage Publications)*. He also teaches at the annual Globelics Academy (summer school for Ph.D scholars working on innovation studies (organized alternatively by University of Tampere, Finland and Lisbon Technical University, Lisbon, Portugal).

Dr. Mani has published extensively in his area of specialisation and is currently working on three new books. The first is an edited book (with Professor Franco Malerba, University of Bocconi) "*Sectoral Systems of Innovation and Production in Developing Countries: Actors, Structure and Evolution*" (Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, USA: Edward Elgar). The second book: "*Innovation Capabilities in Developing Countries: A Study of the Telecommunications Industry*" (Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, USA: Edward Elgar). The third one is titled, *India, an emerging high tech giant, But does she have feet of clay ?* (London: Anthem Press).

Over the next two years (2009-10), he is directing two research projects: 'Growth of knowledge-intensive entrepreneurship in India' (sponsored by the European Union under the AEGIS project); and 'Globalisation of Innovation: Its manifestation, determinants, and implications for the emerging economies of China and India' (sponsored by IDRC, Canada).