



# CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS PROGRAM

Organised by School of Governance and Public Affairs (SGPA) & School of Computer Science and Engineering (SCSE) of XIM UNIVERSITY in Collaboration with Institute of Contemporary Studies Bangalore and Astrikos Consulting Pvt. Ltd.

**FRIDAY, 29 October, 2021**

**3 PM TO 4.45 PM**

## CHIEF GUEST

**Dr Fr Antony R. Uvari, S.J.**  
Vice-Chancellor  
XIM UNIVERSITY



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Mr. Pratap M. Heblikar**  
Managing Trustee  
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*Cyber Security Awareness*

*Cyber Security Challenges and Cyber Hygiene*



**Dr. Anuradha Rao**  
Founder  
CyberCognizanz, Singapore

## SPEAKERS



**Dr Chinmay Hegde**  
CEO and Managing Director  
Astrikos Consulting Pvt. Ltd.

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**Dr. Vinod Krishna M U**  
Director-Finance & Operations  
Astrikos Consulting Pvt. Ltd.



**Prof. Rudra M. Tripathy**  
Dean-SCSE



## SPEAKERS' PROFILES

### MR. PRATAP M. HEBLIKAR



**Managing Trustee  
ICSB, BENGALURU**

PM Heblikar retired as Special Secretary, Government of India in September 2010 after over 38 years of service. He is currently Managing Trustee, Institute of Contemporary Studies Bangalore (ICSB) – a not for profit think tank specializing in security and strategic affairs. He was a Visiting Professor at the Department of Geopolitics and International Relations, Manipal University, Manipal (Karnataka) and formerly an Adjunct Faculty, International Security and Strategic Studies Program (ISSSP) at the National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS) Bangalore. Besides, he was associated with the Christ University, Bangalore and St. Josephs College, Bangalore in developing a new approach to study of contemporary developments.

In Dec 2011, he and two other like-minded individuals started a high end next generation security consultancy company in Bangalore to help bring new synergies to the world of private security and protection. Importantly, the major objective is also to help expand India's strategic footprints overseas. Details of the company can be viewed on website [www.maxgridsecuricor.com](http://www.maxgridsecuricor.com). He was a member of the Asia Centre - Bangalore-based. He is a Life Member of the United Service Institution (USI), New Delhi. In April 2015, he was appointed as a Director on the Board of Singapore based Asian Dialogue Society ([www.asiandialogue.com](http://www.asiandialogue.com)). He is on the Board of a Bangalore based IT company ([www.smarttransformations.com](http://www.smarttransformations.com)) which specializes inter-alia in providing training and offers solutions for cyber security, Block Chain Technology, Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things and Machine Learning. He is a CERTIFIED INFORMATION SECURITY PRACTITIONER (CSIP) from the International Institute of Security and Safety Management (IISSM), New Delhi.

During his government service, he specialized in insurgency and counter-insurgency developments in India's northeast region. He held several important and sensitive posts in the central government dealing with external security related issues. Following his retirement from government service, he has been writing for security and defense related journals and for leading newspapers and magazines regularly besides participating in seminars and workshops, both in India and overseas. He has visited Taiwan to speak at the National Defense University and the Command and Staff College, Prospect Foundation as also at the National University of Singapore and Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

Mr. Heblikar was decorated by the Government of India for Distinguished and Meritorious Service respectively during his career. He was educated in Bangalore. He plays golf and badminton for relaxation.

### DR. CHINMAY HEGDE



**Managing Director  
Astrikos  
Consulting Pvt. Ltd**

Dr. Chinmay Hegde (H.C) has over two decades of experience in field of Information, Communication and Operation technology field working for fortune 500 companies, He leads the team in Astrikos Consulting Pvt. Ltd. Dr. Hegde possesses intellectual properties in Security Analytics, Security Compliance Enforcement, Dynamic Insider reputation rating. Chinmay has been conferred with Honoris Causa by WPDO for his contribution towards ICT management and has presented various research papers at international conferences.

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### DR. ANURADHA RAO

Dr. Anuradha (Anu) Rao is an academic-entrepreneur, a netizen, and a cyber-parent based in Singapore. She founded CyberCognizanz to spread greater awareness about the opportunities and dangers of new technologies beyond formal academic spaces, with a focus on women and child cybersafety. She is passionate about spreading broad-based education to those leveraging the internet for work, networking, romance, and education, and to make the internet a safer, happier and more empowering space. Her unique skill set comes from the combination of communications and new media, political science, and cybersecurity theories and knowledge. She works on varied topics related to cybersafety and cybersecurity awareness, such as cybercrime and cyber-hygiene, cyber-wellness, cyber-parenting, and cyber-ethics. Dr. Rao has a Ph.D. in Communications and New Media from the National University of Singapore (NUS), and a M.A. in Political Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), India. Know more at: <https://cybercognizanz.com>.

### DR. VINOD KRISHNA M U

Dr. Vinod Krishna (PhD) has over 24 years of experience in corporate and academic sector. He has handled multiple portfolios heading Quality, Distribution, Business Research and Strategy. He has mentored numerous emerging businesses to craft their processes and operational compliances. He continues to present various research papers and articles to many renowned journals and magazines in the area of Socio-economic and business model studies of Smart Villages, Financial Literacy and Personal Financial Planning strategies. He is also a Certified Cyber Security Analyst and heads Astrikos Research & Education SBU along with overseeing the finance & operations aspect of projects undertaken by Astrikos Consulting Pvt. Ltd



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