



Jagvinder Singh Virk



Dr. Virk, born on July 04, 1977, is an inspirational community leader with a strong background in Trade&Investment, International Education and Infrastructure Development. Dr. Virk has been engaged in promoting Australia into the international market since 2007, covering key industry sectors including International Education, Real Estate, Innovation and Trade Investment. His experience in small business first as an educator and later as a property developer has helped many understand some of the challenges faced by this sector and the importance of positive interaction with regulatory and public service departments.

His gamut of experience covers strategy, project planning, business development and key stakeholder relation management. A physician by training, Dr. Virk has sought to understand and highlight the health impact of changes in lifestyle on migrant communities. Dr. Virk has completed the medical studies from the Donetsk State Medical University in the Ukraine in the year 2001, after completing his Russian Language Studies from the same University in 1995. This experience has given him the confidence to meet new challenges head on and was instrumental in guiding his career across a number of different areas, first as a Business Development Professional at his family owned real estate business, then as an educator and an active member of the Western Sydney Community. Dr. Virk has also developed excellent people management and communication skills over the years through community service within the Indian and Ukrainian/Russian communities. He has worked hard to develop his natural ability to bring people together for a common cause and to be a catalyst of positive change. Dr. Virk proves best relationships are those that are built on a foundation of trust, respect, mutual benefit and positive energy.

From 2006 Dr. Virk was actively involved in leveraging his connections in India to assist members of the local community by mediating (on a voluntary basis) in property and other issues in India. In recognition of his role in the community, Dr. Virk was invited to attend the Parvasi Bhartiya Divas (roughly translated to Overseas Indian Forum), in January 2007, by Lord Diljit Rana MBE the then Vice President (and current President) of the Global Organization of People of Indian Origin. He also attended the January 2008 PBD forum and, at the behest of Lord Rana, Dr. Virk also established GOPIO in Australia to help Indian Australians share perspectives and foster closer links with the Global Indian diaspora.

In 2013, Dr. Virk established the India Australia Strategic Alliance to promote closer business ties between mid-sized businesses in India and Australia. In 2014, Dr Virk was awarded for his services to Australian Community by Hon. Denis Napthine (the then Premier of Victoria State, Australia). And finally, emboldened by his success, in 2015 Dr Virk was awarded PUNJABI ICON AWARD 2015 by Indian Government, which is awarded annually only to one individual Non – Resident Indian across the globe for National and International relations and Achievements.