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News and Updates

- **The Smart Campus project:** We had a review meeting with Prof. Poonacha of IIIT-B to discuss the progress in "Towards a decentralized architecture for a smart campus using multi-agent systems" on 13 March, 2013.
- **Electricity Market Simulation Game:** Murali Krishna visited **TU Delft** between 20 March, 2013, to 1 May, 2013 to continue the research on electricity market simulation game . He worked with Dr. Laurens de Vries and Dr. ir. Émile J.L. Chappin.
- **Phoenix:** Phoenix is a distributed, modular agent-based simulation platform. The platform can be used to create large scale agent-based simulations to study complex adaptive systems such as infrastructure design, policy design and responses to disasters. We released the alpha version of the platform on 29 May, 2013.
- **We organised an Indian Energy Game Session with first year students from iMtech at IIIT-B on 22 March, 2013.**
- **We organised a City Game Session with participants from TARA Trust at FoV on 22 April, 2013.**
- **We organised a City Game Session with students from Sri Kumaran Children's Home at FoV on 22 April, 2013.**
- **Dr. Sebastiaan Meijer, from KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden** visited FoV between 28 April, 2013 to 2 May, 2013. Dr. Sebastiaan and FoV had discussions on Serious games and meetings with potential stakeholders for possible collaborations.
- **Dr. ir. Émile J.L. Chappin** visited FoV between 27 May, 2013 to 13 June, 2013. He worked on the 'Electricity Market Simulation Game'.

- **Rajat Upadhyay** joined the team in the month of March, 2013.

Conferences, Workshops and other Events

March	Events and Meetings	Attended by
	Talk on ' Enabling Entrepreneurship: Initiatives and Infrastructure ' at Swissnex on Friday 1 March, 2013.	<i>Bharath</i>
	Meeting with Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) to discuss possible collaborations.	<i>Bharath, Harsha, Onkar and Vardhan</i>
	Meeting with Indian Institute of Human Settlements (IIHS) and The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE) on 7 March, 2013 to discuss City Game .	<i>Harsha and Onkar</i>
	Annual planning meeting with Board Members on 9 March, 2013.	<i>Members and Employees of FoV Society</i>
	Smart Campus review meeting with Prof.Poonacha of IIIT-B on 13 March, 2013.	<i>Amar, Bharath, Harshna, Murali and Onkar</i>
	3rd Round Table Conference on Road Safety organised by Continental Automotive Components(India) Private Ltd. on 15 March, 2013.	<i>Harsha and Onkar</i>
	Meeting with Dr.Ullas Nambiar from EMC2 on 27 March, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations.	<i>Harsha and Onkar</i>
	Meeting with SSS Springs on 28 March, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations.	<i>Harsha and Onkar</i>
	Presentation and Talk	Presented by
	Presentation to GEELAB of Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Australia about work at FoV on 13 March, 2013.	<i>Bharath and Harsha</i>
	Presentation at The Goa Project on 26 March, 2013.	<i>Bharath and Sruthi</i>
April	Events and Meetings	Attended by
	Meeting with Bhupendra Sharma on 8 April, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations.	<i>Harsha and Onkar</i>
	Meeting with Arindam Jana and Garima Jain on 10 April, 2013 at IIHS to discuss possible courses.	<i>Bharath and Tejas</i>

	Visit to IPR to discuss the progress in VR training system for operation and maintenance of an in-vessel robotic arm on 11 April, 2013.	<i>Bharath and Vardhan</i>
	4th Round Table Conference on Road Safety 12 April, 2013.	<i>Harsha and Onkar</i>
	One day training program on TRANSIMS at TU Delft on 15 April, 2013.	<i>Murali</i>
	Meeting with Dr. Geleyn Meijer on 15 April, 2013 to discuss projects with Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences.	<i>Bharath, Nivi and Sruthi</i>
	Meeting with NxtLyf on 16 April, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations.	<i>Bharath and Onkar</i>
	Meeting with Narayan Ramachand from InKlude labs on 18 April, 2013 to present the work of FoV.	<i>Harsha and Sruthi</i>
	Meeting with Ravi Chandar from Feedback Consulting on 24 April, 2013.	<i>Harsha and Sruthi</i>
	Urban Cafe session conducted at FoV by IIHS on 25 April, 2013.	<i>FoV and participants from IIHS</i>
	Meeting with Vidhya Mohankumar and Nithya Ramesh from Urban Design Collective on 27 April, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations.	<i>FoV team</i>
	Presentation and Talk	Presented by
	Presented micro level urban poverty issues as part of course at IIHS with Prof. Vinod Vyasulu on 10 April, 2013.	<i>Aditi, Bhagyalakshmi and Bharath</i>
	Presentation on Use of Serious Games to Airbus on 30 April, 2013.	<i>Bharath, Onkar and Sebastiaan Meijer</i>
	Game sessions	Facilitated by
	City Game session with students from Sri Kumaran Children's Home at IIIT-B on 22 April, 2013.	<i>Aditi, Amar, Onkar and Vardhan</i>
	City Game session with participants from TARA Trust at IIIT-B on 22 April, 2013.	<i>Aditi, Amar, Vardhan and Bhagyalakshmi</i>
May	Events and Meetings	Attended by

Meeting with <u>Takshashila</u> on 2 May, 2013 to discuss use of serious games.	<i>Bharath, Harsha and Sebastiaan Meijer</i>
Annual meeting of budgetary groups in <u>Hyderabad</u> organised by <u>National Foundation for India (NFI)</u> on 8 and 9 May, 2013.	<i>Bharath</i>
Meeting with <u>Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS)</u> on 8 and 9 May, 2013 to discuss proposals.	<i>Bharath</i>
Meeting with <u>EMC2</u> on 9 May, 2013 to discuss the work of FoV.	<i>Harsha and Murali</i>
Meeting with <u>Prof. Shivakumar Jolad</u> from <u>IIT Gandhinagar</u> on 15 May, 2013 to discuss project on <u>opinion dynamics</u> .	<i>Bharath and Rajath</i>
Meeting with <u>Sadananda S</u> from <u>Initiatives for Development through Participation of Marginalized Sections (IDPMS)</u> on 15 May, 2013 to discuss work of FoV.	<i>Bharath</i>
Meeting with <u>Hanne Jorgensen</u> from <u>LEGO Foundation</u> on 16 May, 2013 to discuss serious games.	<i>Bharath</i>
Meeting with <u>Center for Budget and Policy Studies (CBPS)</u> on 16 May, 2013 to discuss budget games.	<i>Bharath</i>
Session on <u>Agent-Based Travel Demand and Traffic Flow Modelling</u> on 17 May, 2013 at <u>IIHS</u> .	<i>Rajat</i>

Proposals and Projects

U - Urban Systems P - Public Safety and Security G - Games S - Simulations V - Visualisations

Traffic Simulations - P, U, S

The goal of this project is to analyse and understand the complexities of traffic in the context of urban India. We are working with IIIT-B and Sunil Tulasidasan from Los Alamos National Laboratory to model the traffic behaviour in Bangalore. We are drafting the proposal and are currently in the process of collecting the real time data from Traffic Department of Bangalore.

Group formation and opinion dynamics - U, S

The goal of this project is to analyse the dynamics of group formation, evolution, destruction and formation of hierarchies within groups and related events which are observed in social systems. We are drafting the proposal with Prof. Shivakumar Jolad from IIT Gandhinagar.

Information standards for disaster management - P, S

In this project we propose to use a multi-agent system to aid decision makers by deriving standards for geo-spatial interoperability to allow them to respond to the disasters effectively. The project was approved in the month of March, 2013 by the Department of Science and Technology, Government

of India.

Visitors

In the month of March

- Debraj Roy from National University of Singapore

In the month of April

- Dr. Sebastiaan Meijer from KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden
- Vidhya Mohankumar and Nithya Ramesh from Urban Design Collective
- Dr. Geleyn Meijer from Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences
- Bhupendra Sharma, Divya Sharada and Kavitha Cariappa from NxtLyf

In the month of May

- Dr. Emile J.L. Chappin, from Delft University of Technology
- Sunil Panjwani, Sridhar, Shu-Shang Sam Wei and Dr. Ullas Nambiar from EMC2

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