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**Fields of View Newsletter**

# News and Updates

- *We have submitted the extended outline of the report on Conceptualising Living Wages in Bangalore Slums to Department of Computational Sciences, University of Amsterdam.* We are working towards publishing the results of the study as a book.
- *We have successfully completed our first project with Institute for Plasma Research (IPR) and presented the deliverables at their annual Board meeting in Gandhinagar.* The project was received with immense positive feedback from all the reviewers. Two teams in IPR are keen to work with us, we will be applying to extend the current effort.
- **NextWave:** We kicked off a project on safety of women in public spaces in September, 2013. We have a cross-cultural collaboration underway, with interns from MediaLAB, Amsterdam as well as International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore. We update our work on our blog.
- **Onkar Hoysala** presented a paper on the **Indian Energy Game** at the 44th **ISAGA Conference** held at KTH, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden.
- We conducted the **Indian Energy Game Session** with participants from **Takshashila** on 18 June, 2013.
- **Bharath** conducted the **Game Design Workshop** at **OF GAMES,** a gaming residency at **Khoj International**, New Delhi on 28 and 29 August, 2013.
- We co-facilitated the **Gaming Jam** event organised by **Swissnex India** on 1 September, 2013. The summary of the event is on our blog.
- We conducted a **City Game Session** with participants from **NextBangalore** on 28 September, 2013. Here is the link to what happened at the session: http://vimeo.com

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- **Dr.ir. L.J. de Vries, M.A from Delft University of Technology, Delft** visited FoV from 10 September, 2013 to 20 September 2013. During his visit, he worked on the **Electricity Market Simulation Game**.
- **Sruthi Krishnan** joined FoV as a full time researcher in the month of August, 2013.
- **Mosa-al Husseini and Rufael Negash** from Malmo University, Sweden are in IIIT Bangalore on a student exchange programme, they are interning at FoV.
- **Bauke Bakker and Marissa Memelink** from MediaLAB Amsterdam are working as interns as part of **NextWave** project at FoV.
- We were on **CNBC Young Turks**: http://youngturks.in.com/index.php?y=1& autono=946504. Shows how challenging it is to talk about a fledgling research group in a world where a start-up equals questions about product launches and IPO. We need to work on our elevator pitch. How do we describe an organization that works on strengthening decision-making and participatory processes using games, visualisations, and simulations?

# Conferences, Workshops and other Events

| June | Events/Meetings | Attended by |
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| | Meeting with Dr. Peter M. Sloot, Dr. Michael Harold Lees, Emiliano Manchini and Debraj Roy at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore on 4 and 5 June, 2013 to discuss progress in Urban Poverty Study project. | *Bharath and Harsha* |
| | Meeting with Hari Menon on 5 June, 2013 to discuss about work at FoV. | *Bharath* |
| | NWO Plenary Session to discuss funding options for Indo-Dutch call for proposals on  17 June, 2013. | *Bharath* |
| | **Game sessions** | ***facilitated by*** |
| | Indian Energy Game session with participants from Takshashila on 18 June, 2013. | *Bharath, Harsha and Onkar* |
| July | Events/Meetings | Attended by |
| | Meeting with Prof. Margot P.C. Weijnen  from Next Generation Infrastructure Foundation on 11 July, 2013 to discuss work at FoV. | *Harsha* |
| | Meeting with Ajit Krishnamohan from Airbus Innovation Cell on 28 July and 29 July, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations. | *Bharath and Eswaran Subrahmanian* |
| | Meeting with Hartwig Renninger and Mercedes Barkmeyer from Mercedes Benz on 29 July, 2013, to discuss PSI Framework. | *Bharath and Eswaran Subrahmanian* |

| Game sessions | facilitated by |
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| We participated in the SprintCity game session conducted by Merten Nefs from Deltametropolis Association, Rotterdam on 20 July, 2013. | Merten Nefs |

| August | Events/Meetings | Attended by |
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| | Meeting with Prof. Siddarth Swaminathan  from Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bangalore on 19 August,2013 to discuss games being developed at FoV | Bharath |
| | Project review with Board Of Research in Fusion Science & Technology (BRFST) at IPR Ahmedabad on 23 August, 2013. | Bharath |
| | Meeting with Dr. Prodipto Ghosh from The Energy and Resource Institute (TERI) on 26 August, 2013 to discuss work at FoV. | Bharath and Harsha |
| | Meeting with Subrat Das, Priyadarshini Mohanty, Prashant Prakash from CBGA, New Delhi on 27 August, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations. | Bharath |
| | Meeting with Richa Sharma from IIT Delhi, on 27 August, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations. | Bharath |
| | Meeting with Prof. Subhro Guhathakurta from Georgia Institute of Technology (GATech), on 28 August, 2013 to discuss possible collaborations. | Harsha, Onkar and Sruthi |

| Game sessions | facilitated by |
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| Game Design Workshop at Khoj International, New Delhi on 28 and 29 August, 2013. | Bharath |

| September | Events/Meetings | Attended by |
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| | Meeting with Prof. Gerhard Schmitt at IIIT-B on 13 September, 2013 to discuss our work in the area of Urban Systems. | Harsha |
| | Meeting with Stewart McTavish from ideaSpace, Cambridge Incubation at IIIT-B on 15 September, 2013. | Bharath and Harsha |
| | Meeting with Dr. Uday Phadke from Accelarator India at IIIT-B on 18 September, 2013. | Harsha and Sruthi |
| | Meeting with Rikin Ganhi from Digital Green at New Delhi on 19 September, 2013. | Bharath |

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| Inauguration of <u>Centre for Urban Science and Engineering</u> <u>(C-USE)</u> at <u>IIT Bombay</u> on 30 September, 2013. | *Harsha* |
| **Game sessions** | ***facilitated by*** |
| <u>Gaming Jam</u> with <u>Collaborative Community</u> and <u>IGDA</u> <u>Bangalore</u> on 1 September, 2013 at <u>Swissnex India</u> | *Onkar* |

# Visitors

**In the month of July**

- Dr. V. Balakrishnan from IPR, Gujarat.

**In the month of August**

- Gijs Gootjes, Loes Bogers from MediaLAB Amsterdam.

**In the month of September**

- Dr.ir. L.J. de Vries, M.A from Delft University of Technology.
- Markas Ewald from Nexthamburg, Germany.
- Prof. Jörg Stollmann from TU Berlin.
- Anne Fenck from MOD, Bangalore.

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