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Opportunities and Challenges for India: In Conversation with the Chairperson of the State Bank of India

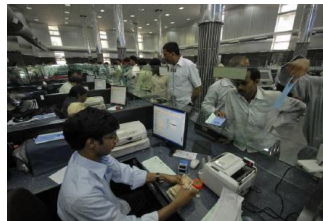
Luncheon Dialogue with **ARUNDHATI BHATTACHARYA**,
Chairperson, State Bank of India

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India, one of the fastest growing major economies, is continuing on its path of economic and financial reforms which includes the recent currency demonetization in November 2016. The need for greater infrastructure spending, financial inclusion and accelerating of its economic growth remain high on India's reform agenda. **Arundhati Bhattacharya**, the first woman **Chairperson of the State Bank of India** and the first woman to lead an India-based Fortune 500 company, will discuss India's growth trajectory, as well as opportunities and challenges in 2017. Ms. Bhattacharya heads the State Bank of India, the largest bank in India with a market capitalization of US\$30 billion and assets of US\$315 billion.



Arundhati Bhattacharya is the Chairperson of the State Bank of India (SBI). She previously served as Managing Director and CEO of SBI's investment banking arm, SBI Capital Markets. With almost four decades experience in India's financial sector, Ms. Bhattacharya has handled forex, treasury, investment banking, mergers and acquisitions and capital and bond markets. She was closely involved in setting up new initiatives such as SBI General Insurance and the launch of new IT platforms which include mobile banking. Forbes magazine in 2016 ranked her the 25th "Most Powerful Women in the World" and 5th "Most Powerful Women in Finance". Ms. Bhattacharya has a keen interest in promoting financial inclusion and women's leadership.



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