

Approximately 50 young leaders from the fields of business and industry, academia and the media accepted the invitation to the two-day conference in New Delhi. While some of the participants had already taken part in previous programmes of the Foundation, the majority of participants met for the first time.

The "Networking in Nature" programme, which took place in a resort area south of Delhi, proved to be the icebreaker and a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other on the first conference day: Team spirit and an efficient communication strategy were the factors of success to prove oneself in the fourteam competition and to deal with the intellectual and physical assignments.

On the second conference day, the renowned speakers and participants grappled with three topics under the general theme of "How do Information and Communication Technologies Change Our World?" Firstly, the discussion revolved around the question to what extent new technologies such as mobile telephony or the internet were not just new "tools", but found expression in our thoughts and behaviour.

A particularly lively debate developed on the subject of offshoring, before participants ventured an outlook on the future uses of ICT.

The first Indo-German Young Leaders Forum concluded with a festive, atmospheric dinner, accompanied by Indian music, in the residence of the German Ambassador in New Delhi.