

From the desk of Editor-in-Chief

It is with great pleasure and a profound sense of pride that I introduce the *BRICS Perspective: a Journal of Strategic Analysis and Policy Relevance*, a bi-annual publication of Amity Centre for BRICS Studies, that reflects the dynamic evolution of the BRICS nations; Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa, and their growing significance in the global political and economic landscape, as evident from its expansion since 2023.

The Amity Centre for BRICS Studies, which I have the privilege of heading, was established by our Hon'ble Chancellor Dr. Aseem Chauhan on February 10, 2011, at Amity University Haryana, with a clear vision to position itself as a Centre of Excellence dedicated to the research, knowledge creation, and dissemination of critical insights on the BRICS grouping. At the time of its inception, when the BRICS bloc was still in nascent stages, Hon'ble Chancellor envisioned its immense potential to reshape the global order. His foresight has since borne fruit, as BRICS has evolved into one of the most influential and strategically important alliances of the 21st century, and so has the Centre for BRICS Studies. It embarks on an endeavour to establish itself as a leading voice on BRICS matter in India.

In line with our mission, we have worked tirelessly to build strong partnerships with BRICS countries, diplomatic circles, think tanks, academic institutions, strategic community and research organizations. This is evident by the presence of eminent experts on the Centre's Advisory Board, the various MoU we signed, like the one with the TV BRICS media network, the delegation visits from various BRICS countries. The aim is to facilitate dialogue on different planes, and consequently, foster cooperation and collaboration. This collaborative approach has enabled us to make meaningful contributions to the understanding of the opportunities and challenges that BRICS presents, not only to its member states but also to the world at large.

The pages of *BRICS Perspective* capture the essence of this evolving partnership, exploring key themes such as economic cooperation, trade, investment, environment, innovation and geopolitics within the BRICS framework. This publication serves as a valuable resource for those seeking to understand the intricately intertwined dynamics of the BRICS countries and the growing interdependencies between them.

As we continue to navigate an increasingly multipolar world, the Amity Centre for BRICS Studies remains committed to advancing research and fostering dialogue that supports the development of inclusive, sustainable, and transformative policies for the BRICS nations and the global community. I am confident that this magazine will offer valuable insights into the shared aspirations of the BRICS countries and their collective journey towards greater economic integration, innovation, and global influence.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the editorial team for their hard work and dedication in bringing this issue to fruition. I trust that the readers will find it both insightful and inspiring as we collectively look towards a future of greater collaboration and shared success within the BRICS framework.

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