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Multi-stakeholder panel on the contribution of key population and development issues to the main theme of ECOSOC “Accelerating the recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at all levels”

Biographies of experts



Seema Bansal is Director of Boston Consulting Group’s Social Impact practice in Asia Pacific and is a member of the firm’s People & Organization and Public Sector practices. She has expertise in early, primary, and secondary education; food security and nutrition; skill building; governance within government agencies; and in public education reform within existing resources. Seema is a speaker and host of TED and TEDx, non-profit organizations devoted to spreading ideas and knowledge. She previously served an intern at Whirlpool India. Since joining BCG in 2000, Seema has worked extensively in financial services and telecommunications, focusing primarily on strategy, operational excellence, culture, and organization design. She has significant experience in organization-related topics and has spearheaded BCG’s work on aspiration-driven transformation.



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