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The Global Thinkers of the International Discussion Series Internationalist Women Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit

Date: 19 February, Wednesday, Week 5

Time: 5:30 pm - 7 pm **Venue: Margaret Thatcher Lecture Room, Somerville College**



Thinker: VL Pandit (1900-1990)

Pandit was the first woman to be elected president of the United Nations General Assembly, in 1953. As newly-independent India's top diplomat, Pandit served as ambassador to the Soviet Union, the United States and Mexico, Ireland, and Spain, and high commissioner to the United Kingdom. In 1979, she was appointed India's representative to the UN Human Rights Commission. Pandit was an Honorary Fellow of Somerville College, Oxford.

Speaker: Professor Manu Bhagavan

Manu Bhagavan is a professor of History and Human Rights at Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. He specialises in the study of late-colonial and post-colonial India, particularly in human rights, (inter)nationalism, and questions of sovereignty. His critically-acclaimed book *The Peacemakers: India and the Quest for One World* is an international history that deals with India's efforts to create consensus around the framework of human rights.



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Convenors: Professor Richard Caplan, Dr Marina Pérez de Arcos and Sharinee Jagtiani

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