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A career civil servant and a telecom policy expert with 30 years of experience, Ms. Gulati is as an Indian Civil Services officer from the 1989 batch.

Education

Her educational qualifications include B.A. Honours in Economics, LLM (Telecom & IT law), MBA, MPhil (Public Administration).

Present Position

At present she is working as Joint Secretary/Adviser (ICTs and Infrastructure), National Institute for Transforming India. Previously she was Senior Deputy Director General, in the Department of Telecommunications.

Other Experience

She has also served as:

- Adviser (Finance) and Head M&A Division, Competition Commission of India (2014-2016);
- Adviser (Finance) National Disaster Management Authority of India (2012-2014).
- Joint Administrator (Finance), Head of Finance, Universal Service Fund of India (2007-2012)

She has,

- Served as ITU resource person and presented a paper at an ITU conference on ICTs for All at Singapore in 2010
- Served as ITU resource person and presented a paper at the ITU-Federal Communication Commission's M-Enabling Summit in Washington in 2011

- Worked with UN Women to spearhead Sanchar Shakti a very successful pilot project for mobile value-added services for rural women which was launched on the occasion of International Women's Day in 2011 by the President of India;
- Served as ITU expert on an ITU Mission on Human Capacity Building for Digital inclusion (Universal Service Policy and Programme on access to ICTs for PwDs to the Government of Nepal and Afghanistan) in 2012-13;
- Served as an expert on Disaster Risk Reduction and Financing on a UNESCAP panel on Strategies towards Building Resilience to Disaster in Asia Pacific held at Bangkok in 2013 and participated as part of Indian delegation to UNESCAP in the third session of the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction.
- Co-chaired the International Competition Network's, Merger Working Group (MWG) along with Canadian Competition Bureau and Director General Competition, European Commission and hosted the ICN MWG workshop at New Delhi in 2014
- Conducted international training on behalf of the Commonwealth Telecom Organization (CTO) on Strategic Planning for ICT Policy & Regulation' in April 2018 for South African ICT's Regulator, Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA). This covered contemporary issues including regulation of OTTs, IoT/M2M, Competition, Data Protection, Net Neutrality, QoS and Universal Service etc.
- Participated as expert/panelist on the subject of 'Preparing the regulatory landscape for future technologies, services and business models' in ITU's Regional Economic Dialogue on Communications/ICT in Mexico in 2018.
- Participated as Expert/panelist on the subject of 'Economic and Regulatory Issues in the Era of Free Services' during the Session on Economic Issues in Modern Telecommunication/ICT markets at ITU, September 25, 2018
- Participated as Expert/ speaker on the subject of 'Big Data-Competition & Consumer Protection Issues' in the Mexican ICTs Regulator, (Instituto Federal de Telecommunicaciones), Forum on Challenges of Competition in the Digital Environment, Mexico City, November 7-8, 2018
- Been appointed Vice rapporteur to Q.6 and Active Collaborator to Q.4 under ITU D Study Group 1 for the 2018-2021 study cycle

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