Bridge - The Ultimate Mind Game
Speaker: Sunil Varghese

CFA Society is pleased to invite you to an interesting session on "Bridge - The Ultimate Mind Game" by Mr. Sunil Varghese. The best bridge players are often investors. Bridge is a complex card game that fits the analytic side of finance.

Warren Buffett once said that bridge has "got to be the best intellectual exercise out there." He has also famously declared, "I wouldn't mind going to jail if I had three cellmates who played bridge". Buffett has elaborated on the similarities of business investing and Bridge: "The approach and strategies are very similar in that you gather all the information you can and then keep adding to that base of information as things develop. You do whatever the probabilities indicated based on the knowledge that you have at that time, but you are always willing to modify your behavior or your approach as you get new information. In bridge, you behave in a way that gets the best from your partner. And in business, you behave in the way that gets the best from your managers and your employees.” Source: Buffett Cup

Bridge mirrors life (and finance) and playing it develops skills - risk analysis, probability, decision-making with incomplete information, planning ahead and choosing the best from among alternatives. Though an intense mental activity, bridge also offers an opportunity to unwind.

Due to the sheer number of rules and complexity involved with bidding, which precedes a hand of bridge, it can be a very difficult game to pick up. The challenge of mastering bridge is a compelling end in and of itself for those with competitive spirits and analytical minds. While computers can now routinely beat all but a handful of chess grandmasters, they can't come close to outplaying the world's finest bridge players. Why is this? Because computers can understand math, but they can't understand people - at least not yet. Source: NYT

In this talk, Sunil will draw upon the gaming principles to make better decisions.

EVENT DETAILS:
DATE: Saturday, 8th Feb 2020 | TIME: 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., followed by lunch | VENUE: Claridges Hotel, CP

REGISTRATION:
CFA Society India members: Nil
CFA Program Level 3 cleared: INR 1200
CFA Program Candidates: INR 1500
Others: INR 2,000

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ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

Sunil Varghese is an entrepreneur, TEDx Speaker, Bridge Guru, Magician, Mentor for StartUps, Faculty and consultant. He is also the Founder of MasterMind, which uses magic and innovative techniques - from launching a FMCG Product in an Unforgettable and Customised way OR to drive the message home at the end of heavy Seminars/content laden sales Conferences. He has been running a small scale engineering firm for 28 years. Sunil holds a PGDM from IIM-Ahmedabad and a mechanical engineering degree from the College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram.