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- 2024 Panel speaker in SEZ session at Tamil Nadu Global Investors' meet in Chennai, January 8, 2024.
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- 2023 Panel speaker in Annual International Conference and Exhibition 2023, World FZO, with a theme "Global Trade 2.0: Zones, An Ecosystem of Trust Driving Prosperity"
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