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Chasing Innovation: Making Entrepreneurial Citizens in Modern India

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Abstract: This talk is based on the author's recently published book *Chasing Innovation: Making Entrepreneurial Citizens in Modern India* (Princeton University Press, 2019) which explains the history and politics of rendering development as a call to entrepreneurship, and the pull and contradictions of this call to sort a nation into innovators and their others.

Bio: Lilly Irani is an Assistant Professor of Communication & Science Studies at University of California, San Diego. She also serves as faculty in the Design Lab, Institute for Practical Ethics, the program in Critical Gender Studies, and the Halicioğlu Data Science Institute. She is author of *Chasing Innovation: Making Entrepreneurial Citizens in Modern India* (Princeton University Press, 2019). Her research examines the cultural politics of high-tech work and the counter-practices they generate, as both an ethnographer, a designer, and a former technology worker. She is a co-founder and maintainer of digital labor activism tool Turkopticon. Her work has appeared at ACM SIGCHI, *New Media & Society*, *Science, Technology & Human Values*, *South Atlantic Quarterly*, and other venues. She has a Ph.D. in Informatics from University of California, Irvine.

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