



PanIIT USA Board Member

Arvind Jain



Bio of Arvind Jain,

Arvind Jain is an internationally recognized authority in the aluminium industry with over thirty years of experience in the business. He has been at the center of the consolidation of the world aluminium industry over the last 15 years through key contributions in a number of the largest mergers and acquisitions in aluminum, including:

- \$41 billion acquisition by global miner Rio Tinto (UK/Australia) of Alcan (Canada) in 2007
- \$7 billion spin off by Alcan of Novelis, the largest aluminum rolling business in the world, in 2005
- \$7 billion acquisition by Alcan of Pechiney (France) in 2003.

Arvind founded AXJ Resources LLC, a metals and mining consulting company focused on aluminum, in 2013. Till then he was Vice-President Strategy & Investments at Rio Tinto Alcan, one of the largest aluminum companies in the world, based in Montreal, Canada. Previously, Arvind held positions of increasing responsibility with Kaiser Aluminum, Oakland, California, in all sectors of the aluminum industry – from bauxite mining and alumina refining to smelting and fabrication. Earlier in his career, Arvind managed the Energy Modeling Program at SRI International, was a Research Scholar at Stanford University, and worked as an Operational Research Analyst at ICI India.

Arvind holds Ph.D. and M.S. degrees in Operations Research from Case Western Reserve University. He obtained his B. Tech. in Mechanical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kharagpur, India, where he graduated as the class valedictorian and the winner of the B.C. Roy Gold Medal as the best outgoing undergraduate student of 1969 class. Arvind has co-authored numerous articles in the field of large-scale nonlinear programming in professional journals.

Arvind has been at the forefront of the IIT alumni movement in the USA for the past 30 years. In addition to being President of the IIT Gandhinagar Foundation, Arvind is Past President of the IIT Foundation (IIT Kharagpur) and played a key role in the execution of the first campus network project in India at Kharagpur in 2001.