About Dr. John Pournoor



Dr. John Pournoor is the CEO and founder of Government Analytica and formerly led Government Affairs at 3M and its Center of Excellence, where he integrated geopolitical outlooks into enterprise strategy. Over the past 25 years he has led commercial diplomacy engagements with heads of state and senior ministries across leading G20 economies, including the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Germany, Australia, Japan, South Korea, Mexico, Brazil, and multiple ASEAN, Central and South American nations. His work has centered on ministries of health (access, standards, emergency preparedness), infrastructure (transportation and safety), and labor (safety and health), with trade and exports as a consistent overlay.

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