

## STRATEGIC NETWORK FORMATION

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**Abstract :** The theory of strategic network formation has been one of the most lively subjects of research in theoretical economics in the last decade. The aim of this talk is to provide a survey of this theory and to highlight some of important open questions.



### **Biographical Sketch:**

Sanjeev Goyal was born in Moradabad and spent his early years in the eastern province of Assam, India. He was educated at the University of Delhi, the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad and did doctoral work leading to a PhD at Cornell University, in the United States. He has held Professorships at Erasmus University Rotterdam, University of London and University of Essex, and is currently Professor of Economics and Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge. Sanjeev Goyal is one of the pioneers in the economic study of networks; his research has appeared in leading international journals such as *Econometrica*, *Review of Economic Studies* and

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