



# NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON Navigating the Future with ESG 2.0

Advancing Green Finance: Driving Innovation and  
Transforming Investments for a Sustainable Economy

## 29 – 30 May 2025

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## About Conference

As one of the fastest-growing economies, India faces the dual challenge of sustaining rapid development while addressing environmental and social risks. The increasing importance of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) metrics and the pressing need for Climate Risk Management have placed sustainable finance at the forefront of the nation's agenda. This conference explores how Indian Financial Systems can integrate ESG principles with Climate Risk Management to create resilient and sustainable economic growth.

The Conference will also address the regulatory landscape, focusing on the Securities and Exchange Board of India's (SEBI) mandatory ESG disclosures and the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) initiatives on climate risk. These discussions will provide actionable insights into how financial institutions can comply with evolving norms while building resilience.

## Conference Objectives

- To Explore the Integration of ESG Principles with Indian Financial Systems
- To Discuss Climate Risk Management Strategies for Financial Institutions
- To Understand India's Regulatory and Policy Framework on ESG and Climate Risks
- To Align Indian Financial Systems with Global Sustainability Commitment
- To Identify the Opportunities for Future Innovation in Green Finance

## Conference Themes

### Innovations in Sustainable Financing

- Climate Finance
- Role of Fintech in Driving Climate-Resilient Investments
- Innovative Financial Instruments for Sustainable Finance

### Green Finance and Sustainable Development in India

- Green Finance and Investment Strategy
- Green Bonds and Green Credit Policy
- ESG Integration in Indian Financial Systems

### Circular Economy and Carbon Trading: Pathways to Sustainability

- Green Economy and Sustainable Development
- Energy Economics as a Driver for Macroeconomic Stability
- Environmental Externalities and their Impact on Business Models

### Government Initiatives for Driving Sustainable Finance

- Role of Digitalization in MSME Sustainability: Empowering through DST Initiatives
- Enhancing MSME Access to Green Finance: RAMP and Beyond
- Capacity Building and Skill Development for Sustainable MSMEs: Government Initiatives

## Call for Papers

The organizing committee invites dynamic and insightful submissions aligned with the conference theme for presentation. Submissions must be received by 30th March 2025 early submissions are highly encouraged! The conference will cover a diverse range of topics, including but not limited to the following areas:

- **Climate Finance**
- **Circular Economy**
- **Corporate Finance and ESG**
- **Green Credit Policy**
- **Carbon Trading**
- **Renewable Energy**
- **Fintech**
- **Entrepreneurship and Skill Development**
- **Green Finance and Investment Strategy**
- **Environment and Social Sustainability**
- **Green Bonds and Sustainable Financing**
- **Legal and Compliance Aspects of Green Bonds**
- **Sustainable Corporate Governance Practices**
- **ESG Integration in Indian Financial Systems**
- **Role of PPPs in Sustainable Financing**
- **Regulation and Governance in Sustainable Finance**

## ***Submission Guidelines***

- Empirical, Conceptual Research Papers and Case Studies shall be submitted.
- The article must include a clear indication of the purpose of the research, methodology, major findings, implications and key references.
- All papers will be subject to peer review by the expert committee.
- Minimum one author should register for the conference and present the paper.
- Abstract should be 250-500 words. Full paper: 5 to 12 pages (6000 to 8000 words)
- Title Page: Title, Author name(s), Designation, Affiliation, Contact details.
- Font style: Times New Roman, Font size: Main heading – 14 & Sub-heading and content – 12, Line spacing: 1.5, Document Size: A4, Referencing Style: APA.
- The submitted papers should be easily readable, suitably sectionalized, and free of grammatical errors.
- It should also present correct scientific facts and be free from plagiarism.
- Submit your paper by email: [\*\*nimsmeconference2025@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:nimsmeconference2025@gmail.com)

## ***Publication Opportunity***

- All papers will be published in Conference Proceedings.
- Selected papers will be considered for publication in the below Journals
  - a) Journal of Indian Business Research (Emerald Publication, Scopus-indexed, ABDC-listed).
  - b) Journal of Innovation, Entrepreneurship, Management and Skill Development.
- The authors will bear publication charges as per journal policy.

## ***About ni-msme***

National Institute for MSME (ni-msme), a pioneer institute under the aegis of Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India is playing a major role in the field of Entrepreneurship and Skill Development for providing pro-business environment to foster the progress of MSMEs towards success and prosperity. The ni-msme provides host of services like training, research, consultancy, information, education and extension for Union/State Governments and all MSME stakeholders including practicing & potential entrepreneurs. ni-msme Accredited as UTKRISHT / उत्कृष्ट, 3-Star Rating by Capacity Building Commission (CBC).

Set up in 1962, ni-msme has made valuable contributions by creating an impressive record of achievements beyond the Indian shores, enabling other developing countries to get the benefit of the Institute's facilities and expertise. The Institute is associated with prestigious world bodies such as UNIDO, UNDP, DCAC, UNESCO, ILO, CFTC, UNICEF, AARDO and GIZ. ni-msme's intellectual activities are pursued by its four Schools of Excellence, viz., School of Enterprise Development (SED), School of Enterprise Management (SEM), School of Entrepreneurship & Extension (SEE) and School of Enterprise Information & Communication (SEIC).

## ***About FinRISE***

FinRISE, the Centre for Financial Inclusion (CFI) at ni-msme, is supported by SIDBI and CGTMSE to empower Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) through enhanced financial literacy, credit access, and sound financial management. FinRISE focuses on sensitizing Member Lending Institutions (MLIs) and entrepreneurs about financial challenges, promoting the effective use of credit guarantee schemes, and sharing best financial practices. By facilitating formal credit avenues and encouraging financial discipline, FinRISE strengthens the creditworthiness and governance of MSEs, supporting their growth into Sustainable and resilient businesses.

## ***About Paari School of Business, SRM University Andhra Pradesh***

The Paari School of Business offers excellent, high-quality, and cutting-edge management and commerce programs. We offer programmes at all levels - BBA, B.Com., MBA and PhD. Our BBA and B.Com. programmes successfully mould young students to become executives, entrepreneurs, or postgraduate courses, depending on their aptitude and inclination. The MBA programme is geared towards creating the modern-day manager/leader or entrepreneur equipped with the skills necessary to succeed in the corporate world. Finally, the PhD programme creates excellent researchers and faculty who will nurture young minds in other institutes and universities of repute.

## About Green Expo

We are excited to invite **Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)** to participate in the Green Exhibition at **ESG 2.0**, a premier platform to showcase cutting-edge sustainable products, eco-friendly solutions, and green business practices. This exhibition is designed to promote environmental responsibility and highlight the role of MSMEs in driving sustainable economic growth.

## Eminent Speakers



## Important Dates

Last Date for Abstract Submission: **30th March 2025**  
Notification of Acceptance: **15th April 2025**

Early Bird Registration: **30th April 2025**  
Last Date for Registration: **15th May 2025**

## Target Participants

- Fintech Startups / Entrepreneurs
- Academicians and Researchers
- Industry Association of Green and renewable energy
- Banking and Financial Institutions
- Risk Managers and Sustainability Officers
- Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Specialists
- Policy Makers and Regulators

## Registration Fee

Types of Participants	Registration Fee (Early Bird) (Rs.)	Registration Fee (Regular)(Rs.)
Students (PG)	500	1000
Research Scholars	1500	2000
Academicians	2000	2500
Industry Professionals	2500	3000
International Participants	USD 150	USD 200

### Note:

- The Registration fee, once paid, will not be returned in any circumstances.
- The certificate will only be provided during the valedictory session to the participant who attended/ presented the paper.
- Accommodation will be provided at ni-msme campus upon request with institute tariff.

## Conference Outcome

- Increase the awareness and knowledge among participants about the potential of Green Financial Instruments.
- Gain Knowledge on practical tools and resources available for MSMEs to adopt Green Technologies, improve Resource Efficiency and pursue Sustainable Growth.
- Developing partnerships and network among Policymakers, Industry Leaders, Academia and Technology Innovators to advance Sustainable Finance initiatives in India.

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