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CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH & ADVOCACY

TECHNOLOGY FOR SUSTAINABILITY

INDIA AND G20

A STAKEHOLDERS' DIALOGUE

16 February 2023 | 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Venue
India International Centre, New Delhi

About BML Munjal University

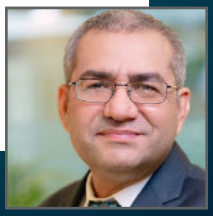
Named after the chairman and founder of the Hero Group, Dr. Brijmohan Lall Munjal, BML Munjal University is engaged in creating, preserving, and imparting internationally benchmarked knowledge and skills to a diverse community of students from across the world. BMU's aim is to nurture ethical leaders who are skilled, knowledgeable, and have the life skills needed to lead organisations to success. BMU seeks to transform higher education in India by creating a world-class and innovative teaching, learning and research environment. Founded by the Hero Group and was mentored by Imperial College London, BMU is a not-for-profit initiative offering undergraduate and post-graduate courses.

About the Centre

The Centre for Sustainability Research and Advocacy (CSRA) is a think tank and research centre dedicated to sustainability research and advocacy. This would encompass sustainability in management, business, and society, along with other relevant fields like technology and policy initiatives. One of the agendas of CSRA would be conducting high-impact research focused on real-time problem-solving. It would also engage in purposeful discourses with relevant stakeholders like businesses, government, and society for knowledge creation with a broader agenda of contributing to the UN Sustainability Development Goals. CSRA would look for meaningful collaborations through deliberation in this journey of knowledge creation at various levels.

Key Note Speakers

Vibha Dhawan
Director General
The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)



Sanjay Sethi
Executive Director
Plant Based Foods Industry Association

Distinguished Speakers

- Aditya Pundir, Director of Climate Reality Project, (USA) South Asia
- Aditya Singh, Youth Leader and Founder, Alexis Foundation
- Anirban Sarma, Fellow, Observer Research Foundation
- Anusree Paul, Associate Professor, BML Munjal University
- Avik Sarkar, Faculty-ISB Mohali
- Binaya Bhusan Jena, Professor and Former Director, NIFT Bhubaneswar
- Deepsha Dahl, Asst Director, School of Public Policy, KIIT University
- Dipali Jindal, Assistant General Manager, IG Drones
- Gautam Agrawal, Assistant Professor, Fostiima Business School
- Gopal Sarangi, Assistant Professor, TERI School of Advanced Studies
- Indrani Roy Chowdhury, Associate Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University
- Jyotiraj Patra, Climate Change & Adaptation Specialist, GCF Coastal Project, UNDP India
- Krishna Kant Jha, CEO, Biomass India
- Shashi Shekhar, Former Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Govt. of India
- Shipra Bhalla Chowdhary, Director, Govt Affairs, SAP India

Stakeholders' Dialogue 1: Our environment for a common future: Technology as an enabler

Moderator: Ritu Chhikara, Associate Professor and Marketing Area Chair, Head (Research)-Centre for Sustainability Research and Advocacy (CSRA)

The environment is important for our common survival. The notion of Common Future refers to the idea that the well-being and survival of humanity and all life on earth is interconnected and dependent on the health and sustainability of the planet's natural resources and ecosystems. This means that all individuals, communities, and nations must work together to protect and restore the environment, address global challenges such as climate change and pollution, work towards renewable energy to adopt in daily life, minimise carbon footprint and promote sustainable development. The ultimate goal is to ensure a future where all people can live in harmony with nature and have access to the resources and opportunities they need for a good quality of life. This session will explore what role technology now is playing in enabling us to achieve sustainability that we desire by 2030 and what are the untapped potentials of the emerging technologies that need to be harnessed for a sustainable future for all of us.

Stakeholders' Dialogue 2: Youth, Tech and Sustainability

Moderator: Deepsha Dhal, Asst Director, School of Public Policy, KIIT University

Young people are often seen as key drivers of technology adoption and as agents of change in promoting sustainability. Many youth-led organizations and initiatives use technology as a tool to raise awareness and mobilize action around environmental issues. However, there is also a need to address the digital divide and ensure that the benefits of technology are accessible to all young people, regardless of their socio-economic background. Moreover, there is a need to educate young people about sustainable technology use, so that they can make informed decisions about the environmental impact of their technology use.

This session would like to explore how by harnessing the potential of technology and empowering young people to drive sustainable change, we can work towards a more sustainable future.

Stakeholders' Dialogue 3: Technology, SDGs and Inclusive Growth

Moderator: Sangita Dutta Gupta, Assistant Dean-Research, Head (Advocacy)-Centre for Sustainability Research and Advocacy (CSRA)

Seventeen Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) succeeded Millennium Development Goals in 2015. The SDGs were adopted to secure a better future for member countries. Technology provides support to all seventeen SDGs to attain their targets. It helps in inclusive growth through human progress by providing universal coverage of basic services like health, education and energy. This Stakeholders' Dialogue will deliberate about the role of technology as a catalyst to attain the three pillars of sustainable development namely economic development, environmental protection and social equity. It will explore how technology as a powerful tool for inclusive growth and sustainable development be harnessed in an inclusive and equitable manner.

Mentors

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Program Schedule

Registration and Tea	9:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Inauguration	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Keynote Address -I Sanjay Sethi, Executive Director, Plant Based Foods Industry Association	10:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Stakeholders' Dialogue-1: Theme-Our environment for a common future: Technology as an enabler Distinguished Speakers 1. Aditya Pundir, Director of Climate Reality Project, (USA) South Asia 2. Binaya Bhusan Jena, Professor and Former Director of NIFT Bhubaneswar 3. Krishna Kant Jha, CEO, Biomass India 4. Shipra Bhalla Chowdhary, Director, Govt Affairs, SAP India 5. Dr Ritu Chhikara, Associate Professor and Marketing Area Chair, BML Munjal University (Session Moderator)	11:00 AM – 12:15 PM
Stakeholders Dialogue-2: Theme- Youth, Tech and Sustainability 1. Aditya Singh, Youth Leader and Founder, Alexis Foundation 2. Dipali Jindal, Assistant General Manager, IG Drones 3. Jyotiraj Patra, Climate Change & Adaptation Specialist, GCF Coastal Project, UNDP India 4. Gautam Agrawal-Assistant Professor-Fostiima Business School 5. Deepsha Dahl, Asst Director, School of Public Policy, KIIT University (Session Moderator)	12:15 PM – 1:15 PM
Lunch	1:15 PM – 2:00 PM
Keynote Address -II Vibha Dhawan, Director General, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)	2.00 PM - 2.30 PM
Stakeholders Dialogue-3: Theme-Technology, SDGs and Inclusive Growth 1. Anirban Sarma, Fellow, Observer Research Foundation 2. Anusree Paul, Associate Professor, BML Munjal University 3. Avik Sarkar, Faculty-ISB Mohali 4. Gopal Sarangi, Assistant Professor, TERI School of Advanced Studies 5. Indrani Roy Chowdhury, Associate Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University 6. Shashi Shekhar, Former Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Govt. of India 7. Sangita Dutta Gupta-Assistant Dean-Research BML Munjal University (Session Moderator)	2:30 PM – 3:45 PM
Valedictory Address	4:00 PM – 4:30 PM
High Tea	4:30 PM onwards

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