

Diamond Jubilee International Conference

"Greening Minds for a Greener Future" March 28-29, 2025

Department of Economics and Finance, BITS Pilani, Pilani, Goa and Hyderabad Campus Conference Venue: BITS Pilani, Pilani Campus, Rajasthan 333031



ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

Started in the early 1900s as a small school, which gradually blossomed into a set of colleges for higher education ranging from Humanities to Engineering, Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS), Pilani has been recognized as a university since 1964. The continuous effort of BITS Pilani to impart the highest quality of technical and management education has been rewarded by the Government of India recently, when it achieved the status of Institution of Eminence. Over the years, BITS Pilani has provided the highest quality of technical and management education to students from all over India, admitted on the basis of merit. BITS Pilani is located in the Vidya Vihar campus adjacent to the town of Pilani in Rajasthan.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

The Department of Economics & Finance at Pilani Campus is one of the oldest departments of the Institute. The current Master' degree in Economics program started in 1964. At present, the department offers M.Sc. Economics as the first degree, Minor in Finance, Minor in Computational Economics, and Ph.D. programmes. The Economics and Finance Department at BITS Pilani - Goa and Hyderabad Campuses offer M.Sc (Hons) Economics as a first degree, Minor in Finance and Ph.D. programmes.

About Conference "Greening Minds for a Greener Future"

This is a two-day International conference organised as part of the Diamond Jubilee celebration of BITS Pilani. The Diamond Jubilee International Conference (DJIC2025), titled "Greening Minds for a Greener Future" emphasizes the crucial role of economic and financial perspectives in achieving sustainable development and environmental stewardship. We believe that the theme of the conference underscores the interconnectedness between economic outcome, public policy, and environmental outcomes, promoting for a gradual transition towards more sustainable practices at individual, firm, and macroeconomic levels. Key objectives of the conference include:

- To explore how micro and macroeconomic factors influence environmental decisions and actions.
- To promote environmental literacy and consciousness among diverse stakeholders, including policymakers, educators, businesses, and the general public to adopt environmentally friendly practices.
- To showcase innovative approaches, entrepreneurial activities, and technologies that support sustainability goals, while also investigating their socioeconomic impacts and acceptance among different stakeholders.
- To address pressing environmental issues such as climate change, biodiversity loss, pollution, and resource depletion from a multidisciplinary perspective.
- To envision a future where sustainable practices are ingrained in societal norms, contributing to a healthier planet and improved quality of life for all.
- Overall, the "Greening Minds for a Greener Future" conference organized by BITS Pilani at its diamond jubilee is a testament to the enduring commitment towards sustainability, showcasing the transformative potential of integrating socio-economic insights with environmental conservation efforts on a global scale.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference Tracks

Welcome to "Greening Minds for a Greener Future"! Below are brief instructions for each of the four tracks to help you navigate the conference.

TRACK 1: Micro & Macroeconomic Foundations of Sustainability:

- This track focuses on understanding the micro and macro-economic factors that shape human actions towards sustainability.
- Topics may include climate change, carbon financing, International trade, Institutional quality, green jobs, water, energy, and environment nexus, pro-environmental actions, ecological changes, attitudes towards nature and conservation, and the role of education and awareness in promoting sustainable development.

TRACK 2: Green Technology and Sustainable Practices:

- This track highlights innovative technologies, practices, and solutions that contribute to environmental sustainability.
- Topics may include renewable energy technologies, role of AI in environmental monitoring, smart cities, sustainable urban planning, sustainable agriculture and food systems, green sustainability for a Viksit Bharat, Vision 2047, green buildings and urban planning, circular economy practices in Business, and eco-friendly innovations in industry and manufacturing.

TRACK 3: Policy and Advocacy for a Greener Future:

- This track focuses on the various aspects of role of policies, regulations, and governance frameworks in promoting environmental sustainability.
- Topics may include international agreements on climate change, forest conservation, national and local environmental policies, regulatory mechanisms for reducing carbon emissions and waste, and strategies for sustainable resource management.

TRACK 4: Environmental Stewardship and Community Engagement:

- This track aims to address various aspects of sustainable solutions, encouraging participants to engage with practical solutions and inspiring ideas for a greener
- Topics may include grassroots initiatives for environmental conservation, environmental justice and equity, public participation in environmental decision-making, and the influence of social media and digital platforms on environmental activism.
- These tracks provide a comprehensive framework for addressing various aspects of sustainability through the lens of economics, finance, public policy, and community engagement. They aim to foster interdisciplinary dialogue, collaboration, and actionable insights towards achieving a greener and more sustainable future.

GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The abstract must indicate the purpose of the research, methodology, main findings, and policy implications. The abstract must indicate the purpose of the research, methodology, main findings, and policy implications. It is requested that to adhere to the following submission guidelines.

| Length | About 350 words, excluding title and keywords |
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| Margin | 2.5 cm. or 1 inch |
| Font | Times New Roman, 12 points |
| Spacing | 1.5 |
| Title Page | Title of the paper, author(s) detail, affiliation, and Contact details |
| Keywords | Maximum Five words |

IMPORTANT DATES

| Last date of submission of abstract | 25 November 2024 | |
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| Communication of Acceptance of Abstract | 10 December 2024 | |
| Last date of submission of full paper | 05 February 2025 | |
| Last date of registration | 15 February 2025 | |
| Pre-conference workshop (One Day) | 27 March 2025 | |
| Free for registered conference participants | 27 March 2025 | |
| Conference dates | 28 - 29 March 2025 | |

Best Paper Awards

Three best paper awards will be given based on reviewers' recommendations.

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee is mandatory and includes a conference kit, proceedings, and multiple high tea sessions along with one each of breakfast, lunch, & dinner.

| Type of Participants | Participants | Participants from |
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| Type of Farticipants | from India | Outside India |
| Faculty/Research Associates/Postdocs | INR 2000 | USD 50 |
| PhD Research Scholars/Students | INR 1200 | USD 25 |
| Corporate / Industry/others | INR 4000 | USD 100 |

Fee is inclusive of GST; Registration fee, once paid, will not be returned in any circumstances Certificate will only be provided at the time of valedictory session to the participant attended and presented paper.

Accommodation will be provided on campus upon request with nominal room charges.

Payment Details

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PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY

- All abstracts accepted for presentation will be published in the conference Book of
- Selected conference papers will be published in a book publication by Springer Nature, offering authors a prestigious opportunity to expand their research into comprehensive chapters within themed edited volume. This process includes rigorous peer review, ensuring the academic rigor and quality of the published work.

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