



India Sustainability Conclave 2016

Balancing business goals in a sustainability paradigm

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AGENDA OUTLINE

DAY 1, JULY 7, 2016)

08:45 – 10:00 HRS	REGISTRATION
10:00 – 11:00 HRS	INAUGURAL SESSION
11:00 – 11:15 Hrs	Tea/Coffee break
PLENARY SESSION I	CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY: GROWING IMPERATIVES FOR INDIA
11:15 – 12:45 Hrs	World over, businesses are constantly striving to integrate the principles of sustainability in their operations. Corporates recognize that global environmental factors like climate change, need for resource efficiency and competitiveness concerns cannot be ignored if they have to sustain themselves in the long run. This session will focus on the growing imperatives for corporate sustainability in India and the factors that are driving corporates towards integrating sustainability within their operations from the most strategic perspective.
12:45-13:45HRS	LUNCH
PLENARY SESSION II	SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAIN: A BUSINESS IMPERATIVE
13:45-15:15 Hrs	Sustainable Supply Chain (SSC) refers to management of environmental, social and economic impacts, and the encouragement of good governance practices, throughout the lifecycles of goods and services. The objective is to create, protect and grow long-term environmental, social and economic value for all stakeholders involved in bringing products and services to the market (UNGC & BSR, 2010) Companies can conserve resources, optimize processes and uncover product






	innovations by managing and improving environmental, social and economic performance throughout their supply chains. Integrating sustainability performance through supply chain is imperative for ensuring corporate sustainability. This session will focus on how corporate are enabling their supply chains to integrate sustainability related performance indicators and drivers into their processes.
15:15 – 15:30 Hrs	TEA BREAK
PLENARY SESSION III	CSR AND SUSTAINABILITY: CREATING SHARED VALUE
15:30 – 17:00 Hrs	Corporates have consciously adopted practices that help to create a positive value for the environment and society. The delta they add by means of their sustainability and CSR activities creates a shared value for not only their shareholders, but also for their stakeholders. This session aims at exploring how companies are viewing CSR and Sustainability. Are they being viewed as a synergistic link or are they strategically very divergent? The session also aims at finding out if there has been any increase in the focus on sustainability as a result of the regulatory thrust on CSR by way of the 2% clause in Companies Act.



DAY 2 (JULY 8, 2016)

PLENARY SESSION IV	SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING: CURRENT TREND AND FUTURE SCOPE
10:00 – 11:15 Hrs	There is an increasing number of companies who have adopted sustainability reporting as a tool to measure and benchmark their annual performance and also to use them as an external communication tool. Various types of reporting frameworks have emerged time and again viz Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), UNGC’s principles, Carbon Disclosure Project, Business Responsibility Reporting, Corporate Sustainability Reports and Integrated Reports etc due to regulatory pressure and voluntary disclosure requirements. This session will deliberate on the trends emerging in Sustainability Reporting. It will also focus on the trends in the reporting corporates according to their sectoral profile, turnover, and geographic operations.
11:15 – 11:30 Hrs	Tea/Coffee break
PLENARY SESSION V	THE PARADIGM FOR SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT: MATCHING INVESTORS’ PERSPECTIVES WITH CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY
11:30 – 12:45 Hrs Session Partner: 	There is a growing focus world over on sustainable investments nowadays. Companies are reporting their sustainability initiatives in various formats. Their performance on sustainability parameters can also be assessed by their rating on various indices. These disclosure reports (top 500 listed companies mandated by SEBI to come out with Business Responsibility Reports) and indices (eg. BSE Carbonex and Greenex) provide a wealth of knowledge about the environmental and social performance of a company. This session will deliberate on whether investment decisions are being based on sustainability parameters and whether the sustainability reports being used as tools to guide investment decisions. It will also focus on strategies to best utilise these tools to assess a company’s performance.
PLENARY SESSION VI	STRATEGIC WORTH OF SUSTAINABILITY FOR BUSINESS: CEO’S PERSPECTIVE
12:45 – 14:00 Hrs	Business Leaders are increasingly adopting sustainability practices and driving the principles across the value chain in their organizations. This top level commitment helps the companies to envision long term sustainability goals as well as perform better to achieve results across the triple bottom line. This session will engage CEOs in a discussion on the strategic worth of sustainability in their businesses and their outlook for driving it within their organizations.
14:00 – 15:00 HRS	LUNCH

