

# International Conference on Sustainability Education (ICSE) 2021

## DAY 2

**Theme: Climate Literacy**  
September 10, 2021 (Friday)

**Session 11: - Ecosystem and Sustainability Education**

By



Time - 15:30 - 16:30 hrs IST (GMT + 5:30)

### CONCEPT NOTE

#### Background

There is an increasing global attention and urgency to take action on climate change and ecosystem degradation to ensure protection and a sustainable future for our planet. Towards this, countries across the world have adopted the agenda to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. The launch of the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021 – 2030) has provided further impetus to these efforts. In this context, sustainability education is a critical driver that can open up timely pathways for radical transformation and scale of action, building inclusive societies that care for, are prepared and take positive actions for environmental conservation, sustainable development and building resilience against climate change impacts.

To mobilize efforts towards this, the **3rd International Conference on Sustainability Education (ICSE)** being organized by Mobius Foundation on **9-10 September 2021** has identified *education for ecosystem restoration and climate literacy* as the theme of the deliberations.

As part of the conference, a breakaway / parallel session titled '*Ecosystems and Sustainability Education*' is being facilitated by the Centre for Environment Education (CEE), in association with several partner institutions.

#### Breakaway/ Parallel Session

The session of one hour is planned on day 2 as part of the conference. The session proposes to set the narrative for the need for climate literacy and sustainability education as a key driver that offer solutions for restoring ecosystems. The session is envisaged to be attended by EE/ESD experts, educators, practitioners, etc. Through a panel discussion, the session seeks to identify key recommendations along the lines of the following questions:

### Focus questions for panel discussion

1. Share experiences / learnings of sustainability education that offered solutions for ecosystem conservation and restoration.
2. How to enhance attention and investments towards strengthening sustainability education and climate literacy as a key driver for solutions in the context of conservation and restoration of ecosystems?
3. What are the key challenges and strategies for engaging citizens, communities towards sustainability education for restoring ecosystems?

### Tentative Schedule of the Breakaway Session on Ecosystem and Sustainability Education

**Day 2 – 10 September 2021 - Friday**

**Timings - Session 15.30– 16.30 pm and Presentation of Recommendation 16.30-16:50**

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Time	Details	Speaker/Facilitator
15.30 – 15.35	Welcome and overview of the session	Ms. Neelima Jerath, Director General at Pushpa Gujral Science City
15.35 – 16.05	Panel discussion (8 to 10 minutes per panellist)	Dr. Pravir Deshmukh, Counsellor, CII-ITC Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development  Mr Vikas Verma, Head, UNDP SDG Coord Centre (N)  Dr Sandeep Kumar Tiwari, Joint Director, Wildlife Trust of India & Program Manager, IUCN SSC Asian Elephant Specialist Group  Dr. Shriji Kurup, CEE
16.05 – 16.30	Open for discussion and key recommendations	Participants and panellists
<b>Plenary input</b>		
16.30 – 16.50	Presentation of key recommendations	Ms. Neelima Jerath, Director General at Pushpa Gujral Science City