20th EfD Annual Meeting 2026

11 November, 2026 - IIM Kozhikode

Policy Day: 11 November 2026, Wednesday | By invitation only @ PGP Auditorium

Time (IST)	Programme
Morning: From Data and Research to Policy and Impact: Climate, Food Systems, and Nutrition	
09:30-09:35	**Welcome & Introduction** **Prof. Debashis Chatterjee** Director, Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Kozhikode *Contextualizing the 20th EfD Annual Meeting; CECFEE & IJCCC's research mandate at the nexus of climate, agriculture, and welfare.*
09:35-09:55	**Inaugural Speech** **Dr. P.K Mishra** Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister of India *Inaugural Remarks*
09:55-11:00	**Session 1: Data Systems for Climate, Agriculture & Public Policy** *Strengthening data pipelines from field to policy across the Global South.*
09:55-10:20	**Keynote Address** **Dr. Saurabh Garg** Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), Government of India *Modernizing Data Ecosystems for Policy Impact: MoSPI's survey evolution (HCES, ASUSE), capturing economic transitions, and enabling researcher access for policy insights.*
10:20-10:40	**South-South Perspectives** **Prof. Nnaemeka Chukwuone** University of Nigeria & Director, Resource and Environmental Policy Research Centre (REPRC) - Environment for Development (EfD) Nigeria **Dr. Yonas Alem** Research Professor, University of Cape Town - EfD South Africa *Data, Research and Policy in Nigeria: Leveraging household surveys to assess climate vulnerability, food access, and agrarian policy across African contexts.*
10:40-11:00	**Questions and Answers** **Moderator:** **Prof. Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay** Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Delhi
11:00-11:30	**Tea/Coffee Break**
11:30-12:40	**Session 2: Planning for Food Systems and Nutrition Security in the Era of Climate Change** **Moderator:** **Prof. E. Somanathan** Professor, Indian Statistical Institute (ISI); Head, Centre for Research on the Economics of Climate, Food, Energy and Environment (CECFEE) and Director, Environment for Development (EfD) India
11:30-11:45	**Dr. Shamika Ravi** Member, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM), India *From HCES Data to Nutrition Policy: Using HCES data to identify dietary diversity and micronutrient intake; and translating dashboard evidence into social protection, food-security programmes and nutrition-sensitive policy.*
11:45-11:50	**Prof. Bharat Ramaswami** Ashoka University *Agriculture and Food Markets*

11:50-11:55	**Dr. Hailu Elias** Head, Research Center for Sustainable Development (RCSD); Director, Environment for Development (EfD) Ethiopia *Agriculture and Food Security in Ethiopia*
11:55-12:05	**Mr. Priyavrat Bhati** Program Lead, Environment & Climate Change - NITI Aayog *Adaptation Planning for Agriculture*
12:05-12:20	**Dr. Soumya Swaminathan** Chairperson, M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) (Former Chief Scientist, World Health Organization (WHO)) *Aligning Climate, Agriculture, and Nutrition: Linking farming systems, sustainable diets, and public health; addressing nutrient gaps through policy and science.*
12:20-12:40	**Questions and Answers**
12:40-12:45	**Synthesis & Wrap-up** **Prof. Shubhasis Dey** Professor, Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Kozhikode; Chairperson, India-Japan Centre on Climate and Culture (IJCCC) *Policy recommendations, Global South collaboration, and official opening of the EfD technical conference.*
12:45 onwards	**Lunch**
Afternoon: Long-term Decarbonization Pathways for Emerging Economies	
14:00-14:05	**Welcome & Introduction** **Prof. Anupam Das** Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Kozhikode, Head, India-Japan Centre on Climate and Culture (IJCCC)
14:05-14:15	**Opening Remarks** **Dr. Arjan De Haan** Senior Program Specialist, International Development Research Centre (IDRC) Delhi

14:15-15:30	**Session 1: Panel Discussion** **Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS) & Energy Policy** **Shri Arijit Sengupta** Secretary, Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Government of India **Dr. R. Harikumar** Director, Energy Management Centre (EMC), Government of Kerala **Industry Experts:** **Shri. Saroj Banerjee** Managing Director, Tata Pigments **Dr. Naresh Tyagi** Chief Sustainability Officer, Aditya Birla Fashion Retail Limited **Shri. Ranjit Singh** Executive Vice President (Sustainability), Maruti **Dr. Reiko Abe** Chairperson, Oriental Consultants India Private Limited **Shri. Nikhil Agarwal** Director, cCarbon (Division of cKinetics) **Moderator:** **Prof. E. Somanathan** Professor, Indian Statistical Institute (ISI); Head, Centre for Research on the Economics of Climate, Food, Energy and Environment (CECFEE) and Director, Environment for Development (EfD) India
15:30-16:00	**Tea/Coffee Break**
16:00-17:20	**Session 2: Integrating Climate Finance, Carbon Markets and Green Industrial Policy** **Presenter:** **Prof. Mark Purdon** Professor, École des sciences de la gestion, Université du Québec à Montréal (ESG UQAM), Canada **Discussants:** **Shri. Sanjay Mitra, Indian Administrative Service (IAS)** Former Defense Secretary, Government of India; Professor of Practice, School of Public Policy, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi **Dr. Suzi Kerr** Senior Advisor, Economics and Carbon Pricing, Environmental Defense Fund **Dr. Kanishka Kacker** Assistant Professor, Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) and Deputy Head, Centre for Research on the Economics of Climate, Food, Energy and Environment (CECFEE) **Dr. Marta Talevi** Assistant Professor, University College, Dublin - will present a gender lens on low-carbon transition in the Global South **Chair:** **Prof. Thomas Sterner** University of Gothenburg, Sweden
17:20-17:30	**Closing Remarks** **Dr. Daniel Slunge** University of Gothenburg, Sweden
17:30 onwards	**Photo Session followed by Dinner**