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# UTKARSH-2025

**In collaboration with Regis University, USA**



**SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
ON  
ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABILITY AND GOVERNANCE-  
CREATING SHARED VALUE.**

**DATE | 21st-22nd February, 2025**

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## ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Welcome to Utkarsh 2025, the seventh in our series of Leadership Conferences. This year, the theme is Environment, Sustainability, and Governance – Creating Shared Value. This is a gathering of those who are ready to move beyond corporate responsibility and into the realm of corporate revolution.

Our speakers are visionaries who will show you that profits, people, and the planet are no longer competing priorities but interconnected paths to a sustainable future. Leaders from across industries—finance, energy, technology, and beyond—are here to share their experiences in forging strategies that turn challenges into opportunities.

We hope these conversations will ignite action and partnerships, leading to transformation and ideas that spark solutions shaping tomorrow. With open minds, bold ideas, and the commitment to build a future where business success and a thriving planet go hand in hand, we can make ESG not just a responsibility but a legacy.

### Day I - 21st February

Inaugural Address : 09:30 AM- 11:00 AM (Loyola Auditorium) ( Sec- ABCDE )

Mr. T. R. Parasuraman,

Director - Toyota Industries Engine Ltd

(Tea Break - Xavier Hall / Staff Meeting Room - 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM)

#### Speaker Sessions: Practice Experience of ESG Implementation

11 :30AM - 12:00 PM	VENUE	12:00 PM -12:30PM
<b>Dr. Soumya Kori Veeranna,</b> Research Associate - Ashoka Trust	Room No 114 ( Sec-D)	<b>Mr. Karthik Ponnappa,</b> Cofounder & Principal - Smarter Dharma
<b>Ms. Jhelum Dhar,</b> Director - Grant Thornton Bharat LLP	Loyola Auditorium ( Sec- ABC)	<b>Mr. Nagesh Kumar,</b> Regional Manager - BOSCH
<b>Mr. Siju K V,</b> Vice President - Ujjivan Small Finance Bank	Seminar Hall ( Sec-E)	<b>B. Suresh Kumar,</b> Senior General Manager Technical Services - Chettinad Cement

(Lunch Break - Xavier Hall / Staff Meeting Room - 12:30 PM to 01:30 PM)

Plenary Session: 01:30 PM- 02:30 PM (Loyola Auditorium) ( Sec- ABCDE )

Ms.Radhica Kanniganti,

ESG and Sustainability Leader- Wipro

#### Speaker Sessions: Practice Experience of ESG Implementation

02:30PM - 03:00 PM	VENUE	03:00 PM -03:30 PM
<b>Mr. Matt Alexander,</b> Manager - Kyndryl	Seminar Hall ( Sec-A)	<b>Ms. Anjana Pillai,</b> Partner - Quantum Consumer Solutions Pvt Ltd.

02:30PM - 03:00 PM	VENUE	03:00 PM -03:30 PM
<b>Dr. Shalini Mathur</b> Sustainability - Raymond	Loyola Auditorium ( Sec-CDE)	<b>Mr. Anand Kulkarni,</b> Technical Director Sustainability - KPMG
<b>Ms. Jayalakshmi G K</b> Environment, Health & Safety Manager - Saint Gobain	Room No 114 ( Sec-B)	<b>Mr. Nitesh Jain</b> Manager Sustainability - ITC Ltd.

(Tea Break - Xavier Hall / Staff Meeting Room - 03:30 PM to 04:00 PM)

**Panel Discussion- 04:00PM- 05:00 PM (Loyola Auditorium) ( Sec- ABCDE )**

**Profit vs. Purpose - Can ESG-Driven Companies Truly Balance Both?**  
**Dr. Sourav Mukherjie (Anchor)**  
IIM Bangalore

<b>Mr.Dinesh Athyadi,</b> Director - HR - Rittal Pvt. Ltd.	<b>Mr. Anand Kulkarni,</b> Technical Director Sustainability - KPMG	<b>Ms.Lavanya Pallapothu</b> Manager - Schneider Electric	<b>Mr. Matt Alexander,</b> Manager - Kyndryl
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**Day 2- (22nd February 2025)**

**Keynote Address -09:30 AM-10:30 AM ( Online - Loyola Auditorium ) ( Sec-AE)**  
**Prof. Abigail B Schneider , Regis University, Denver USA**

**Research Paper Presentation -09:30 AM-11:00 AM ( Sec-BCD)**

(Tea Break - Xavier Hall / Staff Meeting Room- 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM)

**Panel Discussion-11:30 AM- 12:30 PM (Loyola Auditorium) ( Sec- ABCDE )**

**ESG Mandates : Are they a Catalyst for innovation or a Barrier to Growth ?**  
**Dr. Narsimha Murthy,(Anchor)**  
Senior Director - Infineon Technologies

<b>Mr. Prasad S N ,</b> Founder - Grewind Solutions LLP	<b>Mr. Shashi Shekhar,</b> National Business Head - Big Basket	<b>Dr.B.F. Hulagur,</b> Former General Manager - NABARD	<b>Mr.Ramesh Naropanth</b> Consultant - Dell Technologies
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## About SJIM

St. Joseph's Institute of Management (SJIM) is one of India's premier B-schools overseen by the Jesuits. Established in 1968, the first business school in Karnataka, SJIM's vision is centered on nurturing industry business graduates through global Jesuit education, responsible business leaders of unwavering integrity, ethical conduct, and a strong commitment to society and environment.

SJIM is approved by AICTE and accredited by NBA and is a member of AACSB International. SJIM ranks among the top 125 B Schools in India by NIRF. THE WEEK (2024) has ranked SJIM among top 25 private B Schools in South Zone. CSR-GHRDC (2024) has ranked SJIM among the Top Eminent B Schools of Super Excellence.



## About Regis University, USA

Regis University, Denver, US is a distinguished Jesuit institution known for its commitment to academic excellence, ethical leadership, and social responsibility. Established in 1877, with a strong emphasis on experiential learning and community engagement, Regis fosters a dynamic and inclusive environment for students and scholars worldwide.

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**Conference Chair :** Fr. Olvin Veigas SJ, Faculty and Finance officer, SJIM

**Conference Convenors :** Dr. Deepika Joshi, Associate Professor  
Prof. Rajendra Desai, Director - Corporate Relations