# 4th Energy Finance Conference

December 6-7, 2022 | IIT-Madras

**Organised by:** Centre for Financial Accountability, Indo-German Center for Sustainability (IGCS) at IIT-Madras
**Knowledge Partner:** Climate Trends.

Programme Schedule

| Speakers | Organisation | Topic |
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| Dec 6, 2022 \| 9.30 - 11 am | | |
| Inaugural Session | | |
| Moderator: Dr. Krishna Vasudevan | IIT-Madras | |
| Keynote speaker: Ajay Shankar | Distinguished Fellow, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), and former Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Govt of India | Contours of India's Net Zero Ambition |
| 11 - 11.30 am - Tea Break | | |
| Dec 6, 2022 \| 11.30 - 1 pm | | |
| Session 1: Understanding the Energy Landscape in India | | |
| Moderator: Ann Josey | Prayas Energy Group | |
| Ajit Pandit | Founder Director, Idam Infrastructure Advisory Pvt Ltd | Where are we on RE and Storage? |
| Ashwini Chitnis | Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment | What's ailing the power distribution sector? |
| Shuboday Ganta | Vice-President – Power & Utilities, Ernst & Young | Trends in financial flows in energy sector, post the pandemic |
| Sathya Narahyana | DGM, Renewables Business, Larson & Toubro | New Frontiers of Utility Scale Solar |
| 1 - 2 pm - Lunch | | |
| Dec 6, 2022 \| 2 - 3.30 pm | | |
| Session 2: Public and private players in energy | | |
| Moderator: Dr. Satyanarayan Seshadri | IIT-Madras | |
| Ashok Rao | Former President, All India Power Engineers Federation | Challenges faced by PSUs in Energy sector |
| Swathi Seshadri | Team Lead - Energy, CFA | Financiers of Oil & Gas sector in India |
| Vibhuti Garg | Director, South Asia - IEEFA | Global shift in investments from fossil fuels |
| 3.30 - 4 pm - Tea Break | | |
| Dec 6, 2022 \| 4 - 5.30 pm | | |
| Session 3: Financing models in the energy sector | | |
| Moderator: Santosh Sahu | IIT-Madras | |
| Gaurav Dwivedi | Director - Research, CFA | Private Equity and Venture Capital Funds in Energy Sector |
| Soumya Dutta | Convener of South Asian People's Action on Climate Crisis | Energy Market in India |
| Sagar Asapur | Sustainable Finance, Climate Risk Horizon | Financing and de-risking mechanisms for India's energy sector |
| DAY 2 | | |
| Dec 7, 2022 \| 9.30 - 11 am | | |
| Session 1: Challenges in ESG framework | | |
| Moderator: VR Muralidharan | IIT-Madras | |
| Kankana Das | Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment | Prospects of ESG from a governance perspective |
| Shantanu Srivastava | Energy Finance Analyst, IEEFA | ESG & India's Ambitious RE targets |
| Priyadharshini | Sr. Program Associate, CFA | ESG in the context of mandatory Environmental and Social Safeguard Policies |
| 11 - 11.30 am - Tea Break | | |
| Dec 7, 2022 \| 11.30 - 1 pm | | |
| Session 2: Hydrogen, Storage, 2nd / 3rd generation biofuels, as game changers | | |
| Moderator: Arvind Kumar | IIT-Madras | |
| Srinivasan Viswanathan | CEO - Vibrant Energy Holdings | Infrastructure for the next generation technologies in Energy sector |
| Dattatraya Nimbolkar | Chief internal auditor and company secretary, Praj Industries Ltd. | Financial Challenges in Bio-energy Sector |
| Sebastian Morris | Professor, Goa Institute of Management | Designing Electricity Markets for India -Key Considerations |
| 1 - 2 pm - Lunch | | |

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| Dec 7, 2022 \| 2 - 3.30 pm | | |
| Session 3: Planning/financial models for climate resilience in Transport sector | | |
| Moderator: Dr. Gita Ramadurai | IIT-Madras | |
| Ramya MA | WRI transport | India's pathway to a climate-resilient, low-carbon Transport sector |
| Ranjit Gadgil | Director - Programs, Parisar | Sustainable Transport - Looking beyond Electric Vehicles |
| Ravi Gadepalli | Consultant World Bank & The International Association of Public Transport - UITP | Financing Sustainable Public Transport |
| 3.30 - 4 pm - Tea Break | | |
| Dec 7, 2022 \| 4 - 5.30 pm | | |
| Session 4: India's INDC commitments and net-zero promise - challenges and opportunities | | |
| Moderator: Shripad Dharmadhikari | Manthan Adhyayan Kendra | |
| Utkarsh Patel | Associate Fellow (Climate Change and Energy Transition), CSEP | Financing Climate Change Adaptation in India |
| Rohit Azad | Assistant Professor of Economics, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, JNU | The Indian Green Deal |
| Ashwini Swain | Centre for Policy Research | Domestic Energy Targets and their Implications for Net-Zero |
| Dec 7, 2022 \| 5.30 - 6 pm - Closing down | | |

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