



World Investors Week(WIW) 2023
Panel Discussion on Sustainable, Green, and Responsible Investment for Economic Development.
Finance Department

Date: October 13, 2023	Venue: Seminar Hall, 3 rd floor
Time: 11AM – 12.30PM	Event : Panel discussion
No. of Participant: 200	Event Coordinator: Dr Tamizharasi Dr. Dileep & Dr. Janhavi M, Prof. Ankita & Prof. Pooja Takalkar

Objectives

- To understand the relationship between green finance and sustainable development
- To emphasize the crucial role of substantial investments in green and low-carbon initiatives to address climate change effectively and promote sustainable economic growth.
- To analyse the environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors in investment decisions is critical for sustainable finance.

Resource person profile:



Ms Kavita Kapoor

Chief Financial Officer, Quinnox

Kavita leverages over 20 years' proven success in Pricing/ Commercial, Finance, Operations & Strategy functions with domain leaders across IT/ ITes, Telecom, & Textile. Presently Kavita is serving as Director Finance - DXC Technology, a newly formed USD 26 Billion start-up independent IT Services Company.



A Gold Medalist in Commerce and IIMB Alumni in MBA (Finance) - Kavita mentored many start-ups and possess a track record of managing multi-billion dollar P&Ls, building new businesses, developing effective operating strategies, managing rapid growth in intensely competitive markets and significantly increasing shareholder value, and combining her passion in leadership development.



Mr. Aditya Nataraja, Venture capital | Impact investment

Evaluated Agritech startups for investment. Made programmatic grants to NGOs as a foot soldier for the largest Indian individual philanthropist.

Helped setup and manage an Incubation Center focussed on electronic hardware start-ups.

Tried raising INR 100 Cr seed stage VC fund.

Set up a sector-agnostic India-focussed INR 250 Crores Venture Capital fund out of Kochi.

Worked with an INR 53 Cr seed stage fund. Invested into companies that were mere business plans on paper and grew to multi-million US\$ valuation in quick time.

Operated on Boards (as an observer) of 14 fast-growing start-ups across various sectors. Managed 21 portfolio companies. Helped some portfolio companies raise follow-on funding to improve company value and fund IRR. An MBA and BE (Mechanical) degrees holder. Also, did a course on Venture Capital from ISB, Hyderabad.



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Dr Rohan Bhate, Co-founder, Wealth Insight

Dr. Rohan Bhate is co-founder of RB Wealth insight P Ltd better known as Wealth Insight. He has completed his PHD research into Alternative investments.. He is an MBA from MSRIM Bangalore and has done his B Tech - computers from National institute of technology - NIT Surat. He has worked with various multinational companies and banks before starting Wealth Insight in 2009. Wealth Insight is currently one of the fastest growing investment advisory firms in Bangalore.



Dr. Arvind M T, CEO, Ramaiah Evolute

Arvind obtained his bachelor degree in Electronics & Communication Engineering from Mysore University, Masters and PhD in Electrical Engineering from IISc, Bangalore. After 10 years of work in Sasken Technologies, Arvind cofounded Amplebit Technologies and Amplebit Energy Solutions in 2007, focusing on AI, IoT solutions for applications in Telecom, Automation & Energy Optimization. Arvind is a Lean Startup coach with Gopalakrishnan Deshpande Center of IIT-Madras. Since Dec 2022, he is also serving as CEO of Ramaiah Evolute. He has coauthored 2 IEEE transaction papers, 2



US patents and several journal/conference publications. Arvind has authored 2 books: "The Journey of Learning" - an adaptation of Valmiki Ramayana Balakanda and "Purusha" a fiction based on Suktas in the Rg Veda



Mr Ashwin Ganesh, Senior Investment Manager, Wefoundercircle

Ashwin Ganesh is a seasoned entrepreneur and investor with a diverse background in the automobile industry and the start-up ecosystem.. With over a decade of experience in the automobile sector, Ashwin made significant contributions to the success of Liners India Limited. Notably, he played a pivotal role in establishing and growing their After Market Division, showcasing his expertise in strategic planning and business development. Fuelled by his passion for the start-up ecosystem, Ashwin actively immersed himself in the world of entrepreneurship over the last four years. Ashwin's journey with We Founder Circle began as a learner, friend, and investor while interacting with some of the Co-Founders of the organization. Today, he has become an integral part of We Founder Circle, spearheading operations in South India and taking charge of investor relations and engagement. Apart from his professional achievements, Ashwin's personal interests reflect his vibrant and wellrounded personality. He is an avid runner, finding solace and inspiration on the track. Traveling also occupies a special place in his heart, fuelling his desire to explore new places and immerse himself in diverse cultures.



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Mr. Satya Sesha Sai

Director Finance and PMO at Xerox

He is an experienced business operations and finance professional having served in India market for over two decades holding various positions in Business Operations and Corporate Finance in Indian and Multinational Companies operating in automobiles trading, Petrochemical, Pharma and Food manufacturing, Software R&D and IT Sales and Services. I consider myself as a people person deeply interested in helping and leading people to succeed, have a very high regard for diversity,

Key skills: Business Planning and Operations, Financial analysis and modeling, Project and Change Management, Mergers and Acquisitions due diligence, Internal Audit, Accounting Standards and Legal interpretation, Finance and Business Transformation, People Management and India local legals compliance.

Feedback

The entire program went well all the faculty and students expressed lots of appreciation to resource person.

Photos



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