

**INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON  
CO-OPERATIVES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**31<sup>st</sup> March & 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019  
RANI BAHADUR AUDITORIUM**

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## **THE SEMINAR**

This international seminar addresses the most contemporary issue of the role of co-operatives in sustainable development. It will feature invited presentations by the international researchers and also provides an opportunity for the Indian scholars to interact with the international resource persons. The seminar is structured as a Two Day event with ample time for the international resource persons to make presentations and interact with participants.

The seminar will have an informal interactive session with international experts on 31st March 2019 and Inaugural Plenary and technical sessions on 1st April 2019.

## **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

While the modern concept of sustainable development is derived mostly from the 1987 Brundtland Report, it is also rooted in earlier ideas about sustainable forest management and twentieth century environmental concerns. The modern economies are endeavouring to reconcile ambitious economic development and obligations of preserving the natural resources and ecosystem, the two are traditionally seen as of conflicting nature. Therefore, understanding the conception of sustainable development and leveraging it for policy making would be very critical in the coming years. Considering the significance of sustainable development, the United Nations has come out with Sustainable Development Goals, where 17 goals are listed for accomplishment by 2030.

## **COOPERATIVES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Cooperatives are highly relevant in the realization of the proposed Sustainable Development Goals. First, cooperatives can play a key role in poverty reduction. Second, cooperatives are major job providers. They employ at least 100 million people worldwide. It has been estimated that the livelihoods of nearly half the world's population are secured by cooperative enterprises. Third, cooperatives are contributing towards gender equality by expanding women's opportunities to participate in local economies. The seminar will explore all these dimensions with a sound theoretical background and substantiates through different forms of co-operatives such as the Workers' Co-operatives, Credit Co-operatives and the Consumer Co-operatives.

## **REGISTRATION**

The Registration fee is Rs. 1000 (Rs. 500 for Post Graduate Students). Those intending to register may send an email to the organizing secretary, Prof. Yashavantha Dongre at [ydongre@gmail.com](mailto:ydongre@gmail.com) and payment may be made at the time of registration. Cost of travel and stay will have to be borne by the participants. Please note that there are limited number of openings for the participants and registration will be on first come first serve basis.

## PROGRAMME

31.03.2019:

AFTERNOON: Arrival, Interaction with Resource Persons & Fellowship

01.04.2019

09.00 to 10.00 - Registration

10.00 to 10.30 - Inuguration - Prof. G. Hemanth Kumar,  
Vice Chancellor, University of Mysore

10.30 to 12.00 - Plenary Presentation & Discussion - Prof. Morris Altman, Dean,  
Newcastle Business School, University of Newcastle

11.30 to 12.00 - Tea

12.00 to 13.00 - Technical Session - Prof. Akira Kurimoto, Hosei University, Japan

13.00 to 14.00 - LUNCH

14.00 to 15.00 - Technical Session - Prof. Anthony Jensen,  
University of New England, Australia

15.00 to 16.00 - Technical Session - Mr. Robby Tulus,  
Formerly Regional Director, ICA-AP , Canada

16.00 to 16.30 - Tea

16.30 to 17.30 - Plenary Presentation - Mr. Balu Iyer, Regional Director,  
International Co-operative Alliance - Asia Pacific

## THE RESOURCE PERSONS:

The following resource persons, all best known names globally in the field of co-operative research, will be participating as resource persons in the seminar.



Prof. Morris Altman, Dean,  
Newcastle Business School,  
University of Newcastle, Australia



Prof. Anthony Jensen,  
Conjoint Lecturer,  
University of New England, Australia



Prof. Akira Krimoto  
Professor, Hosei University, Japan



Mr. Robby Tulus,  
Formerly Regional Director, ICA-AP  
Indonesia/Canada



Mr. Balasubramanya Iyer,  
Regional Director,  
International Co-operative Alliance,  
Asia Pacific, New Delhi.