



Title: Accelerating Transformation: SDG Implementation and Climate and Biodiversity Goals

Date: 5th March 2025 | **Time:** 2:00 – 3:30 PM (IST)

Venue: Juniper Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

Background:

With just five years left to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Global Sustainable Development Report (GSDR, 2024) highlights pressing needs to accelerate SDG implementation and integrated delivery of SDGs. The report also presents transformational pathways and is rich on ideas and best practice experiences how this could be achieved.

Many countries, including India and Germany will present their Voluntary National Review (VNR) at the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) in New York this summer 2025.

With these reporting experiences at hand both countries can showcase obstacles and opportunities for preparing meaningful VNRs that are integrated in their reporting character and draw conclusions how to trigger synergies of SDG implementation and transformation for Climate and Biodiversity protection and Sustainable Development.

Advancing these solutions requires collective action and collaboration across stakeholders, including governments, multilateral institutions, the private sector, and civil society.

The thematic track aims to deliver actionable recommendations and strategies to mobilise action for SDG implementation.

Discussion questions

1. How can innovative approaches and integrated SDG delivery align better the SDGs and climate and biodiversity protection?

2. How can partnerships across stakeholders for the SDGs, e.g. private sector investments regulations be incentivised to prioritise sustainability and resilience over short-term gains?
3. What structural reforms are needed to make SDG implementation and transformation more supportive of climate action and biodiversity protection?

About the World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS)

The World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) is the annual flagship Track II initiative organized by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI). Instituted in 2001, the Summit series has a legacy of over two decades for making 'sustainable development' a globally shared goal. The only independently convened international Summit on sustainable development and environment, based in the Global South, WSDS strives to provide long-term solutions for the benefit of global communities by assembling the world's most enlightened leaders and thinkers on a single platform. The 24th edition of the annual flagship event of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)—the World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS)—will be held from 5-7 March 2025 in New Delhi. The Summit deliberations will focus on the umbrella theme: Partnerships for Accelerating Sustainable Development and Climate Solutions.