

COMPLETE AGENDA, SESSION DESCRIPTIONS AND VIDEO LINKS

Date	Session Title	Description
12-10-2021	<p>Opening Plenary - Mainstreaming Impact: Asia's Impact Economy</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/sK1jB1Q9EvY</p>	<p>This session will set the narrative for the Summit's overall theme of Mainstreaming Impact. The global shock caused by the Covid-19 pandemic has heightened the need for businesses, corporations, governments & individuals to pivot to an impact-driven economy. It is today more urgent than ever before that all stakeholders collaborate and lead with an impact focus. There is growing acknowledgement that impact can no longer be seen as merely the “good to do thing” or an afterthought to business as usual. Impact driven approaches are tools for smart economics that can solve the world’s most pressing challenges. Climate change, pandemics, gender inequity being only some of the key challenges.</p> <p>The current pandemic has exacerbated the inequities in the Global South as populations including vulnerable and rural communities have struggled with the basics of access to healthcare, food, water, jobs, migration etc. Millions of women across the world have disproportionately lost jobs & livelihoods and have been victims of violence.</p> <p>We need mainstream capital to change the direction of their investments from investing in entrepreneurs whose goals are “cheaper, faster, more”, towards entrepreneurs who are purpose-driven to be inclusive and focused on clean air, clean water, clean land.</p>
12-10-2021	Impact Lounge: Demand-Led Investment for the Missing Middle	Join this to chat in a small group about financing the missing middle.
12-10-2021	<p>Incentivizing Regenerative Agriculture in the Developing World</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/GdH0qSxw1wQ</p>	<p>Today, there are several success stories of farmers that have gained financially from transitioning to regenerative agriculture, however, most of these stories emerge out of developed countries. Existing programs from the developing world, however, highlight that some of the hindrances to transition include a lack of awareness about best practices, limited understanding of the business case from the transition, and a high perception of financial risks. Hence, to make regenerative agriculture work in the developing world, it would be necessary to design incentive structures that allow farmers to make the shift. This session seeks to understand how farmers can be transitioned to regenerative</p>

		<p>agriculture. Some of the key research questions would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the cost of transitioning to regenerative agriculture? • What is the business case for regenerative agriculture? • Is regenerative agriculture economically feasible for smallholder farmers and how can smallholder farmers be encouraged to make the shift? • Who should pay for the shift and the role of blended finance for the same?
<p>12-10-2021</p>	<p>Using Deep-Tech to Drive Structural Impact for an Inclusive Society</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/Fn5hufaVfSs</p>	<p>Technology holds an incredible potential to transform sectors rapidly and globally. It can help us increase the accessibility to and the productivity of healthcare, education and agricultural services, while lowering emissions and waste. Technology not only aids us in driving efficiencies, but also in disrupting and creating an inclusive society.</p> <p>In the last two decades, India has emerged as a hub for software tech development and made tremendous progress in creating an IP-led deep-tech ecosystem. Not only have the homegrown innovations in the sector scaled in India, but also been deployed as global solutions, in areas as diverse as robotics, material science, drug discovery, AI, data science, medical devices, advanced diagnostics and space-tech, to name a few. Deep and frontier technologies developed in India have the potential of bringing us closer to India's UN SDG targets for 2030 across several goals through disruptive innovations in healthcare, mobility, education, agriculture, waste management, etc.</p>
<p>12-10-2021</p>	<p>Nature positive and carbon neutral transitions: harnessing the potential of nature based solutions</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/MyIS2NQzpw</p>	<p>We are reaching irreversible tipping points for nature and climate, and over half of the global GDP, \$44 trillion, is potentially threatened by nature loss as per the recent estimates of World Bank. Climate change is currently responsible for 11% to 16% of the biodiversity loss and the share is expected to increase, and it has the potential to trigger irreversible ecosystem disruptions. Decarbonization of the economy is essential but not enough unless the direct drivers of nature loss are not concurrently tackled. Almost all the biodiversity and climate change threats relate to just three economic systems which are: (1) food, land and ocean use; (2) infrastructure and built environment; and (3) energy and extractives. Systemic transitions in these systems have the potential to create annual business opportunities worth</p>

		<p>\$10 trillion and generate 395 million jobs by 2030. Nature Based Solutions such as sustainable management of forests, productive and regenerative agriculture, alternative energy sources, energy efficient options, and nature positive built environment etc. within these three systems, cut across different sectors and industries and can act as a critical enabler for making these transitions.</p> <p>Reaching a 1.5-degree pathway by 2030 will require about 50% net emission reduction and NBS projects could sufficiently deliver around one-third of this target at a lower cost than technological solutions. In most cases, the costs are between \$10 and \$40 per ton of CO2 removed. Beyond these benefits, NBS can generate private capital flows to countries that offer the highest potential for NBS projects, typically global south countries such as India and Indonesia. Despite all the benefits NBS can potentially offer for addressing environmental, social, and economic concerns, NBS are held back by various conceptual and technical hurdles.</p>
12-10-2021	<p>Micro and Mighty: How last mile entrepreneurs are making financial inclusion possible for women</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/bqUgJ9qPWoU</p>	<p>An estimated one billion women are excluded from the formal financial system. Although access is growing, significant barriers still prohibit women from adopting financial solutions - especially in rural areas.</p> <p>Micro-entrepreneurs offer a direct, and potentially, effective channel for reaching women at the last mile. These entrepreneurs can offer payments, credit, insurance and cash-in-cash-out solutions. As women themselves they also help to reduce barriers that women customers face, due to social norms and other prohibitive gender dynamics.</p> <p>In this interactive, workshop-style session, participants will expand their knowledge and understanding on the opportunities and complexities of financial inclusion for women at the last mile. While familiarising themselves with Bopinc's BIG IDEA Framework - a practical approach to driving adoption and usage of financial solutions at scale.</p> <p>The expertise and experience of participants will also help to shape practical solutions and partnership ideas. The session is also a relaxed networking-opportunity for participants to engage with like-minded, ecosystem players and potential partners.</p>
12-10-2021	Investor to Investor Matchmaking	Investors told us at prior Sankalp Summits that they wanted to meet other investors just as much – if not more than

		<p>meeting entrepreneurs. We've heard you! This structured networking session will be dedicated to help facilitate connections between investors. Based on your specific sector focus or stage of entrepreneur, we'll set a schedule customized for you.</p> <p>This session is limited to financiers only, which may include (but is not limited to): (Investment Funds, Fund Managers, DFIs, International NGOs, Banks, High Net Worth Individuals, Incubators who provide seed funding, Family Offices, and Philanthropists/ grant-makers, etc.</p>
12-10-2021	<p>Emergence & Impact of the Neo Bengal Tigers' Startup Ecosystem</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/vxiSCEZoeOs</p>	<p>Inflection Point: Bangladesh is one of the fastest growing economies in the world. A country of 165m people - experiencing benefits of density dividend resulting in an impressive average annual GDP growth rate of 6.5% (CAGR) over the last decade. Alongside a strong manufacturing sector, dcBangladesh's markers of digital penetration are increasing, boosting ICT & startup activities.</p> <p>At a Glance: Bangladesh Startup Ecosystem & the Impact Investment Landscape</p> <p>Bangladesh has the third most active impact investing market in South Asia. Till date, DFIs have deployed over USD 830mil while other impact investors have added US\$ 120mil more. The overall funding encompasses impact oriented technology companies i.e. startups as well. There are roughly 1200+ active startups in Bangladesh with 200 newborns every year. Majority of them, if not all, have an impact mandate or solving a critical social problem through technology. Over the last 5 years the sector has brought in FDI funding of approx. 350m USD (taking into account ShopUp's US\$ 75m Series B announced recently). However, in 2015, the largest cheque (US\$ 11m) for an impact enterprise (bKash - BD's largest MFS) was cut by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation identified as the first unicorn of the country. IFC backing Chaldal and meSolshare's 4.1m raise till date are all examples of tech enabled impactpreneurs leading Bangladesh's ecosystem revolution. We have also recently witnessed banks and NBFI's considering diversifying their portfolio and backing startups with structures provided by Bangladesh Bank.</p>
12-10-2021	Housing innovations: A pathway for achieving climate sustainability	Today we are faced with an unprecedented global housing challenge, which is further exacerbated by an unprecedented climate challenge.

	<p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/sszymLWSV4I</p>	<p>The millions of families are often among the most vulnerable to the effects of climate change, which include increasingly common and severe weather events such as hurricanes, floods, wildfires, tornadoes and droughts. At the same time, the United Nations Environment Program has found that buildings and their construction produce nearly 40% of global energy-related greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>In this context, housing has the potential to impact — and be impacted by — the future of climate change. The session aims to bring together different perspectives and insights on the relationship between climate change and housing, and the need to address housing issues in a climate-friendly way. The session will discuss the role of housing innovations in mitigating climate concerns, including some cases studies from the affordable housing sector. The session will lead to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understanding of climate concerns in the housing sector • Better understanding on what is currently being done to address climate concerns in the housing sector • Clarity on the role of different actors and stakeholders in the housing sector • Highlight the innovative approaches being used and developed to address climate concerns
<p>12-10-2021</p>	<p>Agriculture and Industry 4.0 Technologies: Exploring Synergies for Ecosystem Building</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/y0xSONti16w</p>	<p>Industry 4.0 technologies broadly refers to the new-age technologies that are promoting the automation of traditional practices in the manufacturing industry. Some of these technologies include IoT, Cloud Computing, Artificial Intelligence, and Smart Contracts. The use of such technologies is revolutionizing manufacturing leading to optimized processes, improved transparency, and higher worker productivity; but gradually use-cases are also being seen in International Development. For instance, the World Food Programme’s Building Blocks project uses blockchain to improve the efficiency, transparency, and security of voucher-based cash transfers. Similarly, organizations such as World Vision International are experimenting with distributed ledger technologies for improving financial access amongst marginalized and in-need countries. There are also a few use cases of IoT for enabling result-based finance to improve the efficacy of developmental programs while also offsetting the cost of Monitoring and Evaluation. This session will seek to evaluate the role of such Industry 4.0 technologies for promoting sustainable agriculture across the Global South. Some of the key questions that the session would focus on include:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are some of the key challenges in agriculture that can be solved via Industry 4.0 technologies? • What are some of the existing and potential use cases of Industry 4.0 technologies in the agriculture sector? • How can blockchain and IoT be leveraged for designing Agriculture Development Programs? • What is the support ecosystem required for boosting the use of such technologies?
12-10-2021	Design Sprint Kickoff: Towards Gender Inclusive Investing Practices in India	<p>There has been significant research that establishes the case for gender lens investing (GLI). Although many investors track gender-related metrics during their investing cycle, very few investors have an explicitly stated GLI-focus. Limited partners have increasingly been encouraging investors to adopt a gender lens – cases in point being investors supported by IW and the 2X Challenge. Investors, however, face various challenges in implementing GLI.</p> <p>How can investors develop practices and systems that are more intentionally diverse and more intentionally inclusive of gender forward businesses?</p> <p>Intellectap and MIT D-Lab are convening a cohort of impact investors in India in a Design Sprint to help them identify and solve for key roadblocks they face in implementing gender inclusive practices in their organizations. The investors will be joined by other stakeholders in a series of 5 interactive workshops in October 2021 to co-design solutions to implementing GLI across the investment cycle.</p> <p>The series of workshops will be kicked off at Sankalp and will have three parts:</p> <p>State of the sector introduction: Why is it important for all investors to intentionally incorporate gender inclusive practices in their work?</p> <p>A panel discussion where participating investors will share what motivated them to embark on a gender smart investing journey and share the challenges that lay ahead. Finally, in small groups, investors and participants will workshop challenges to incorporating gender inclusive practices across 3 stages of the investment cycle: sourcing, due diligence and data collection.</p>
12-10-2021	CSR & Family Offices– Driving new frontiers for blended finance	Over the last 6 years, India has witnessed robust growth of blended finance instruments, and been a sandbox of

	<p>in India</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/OzXcByogK_0</p>	<p>innovation in this space. Blended finance approaches, that make strategic use of philanthropic and public funds to mobilize private capital to achieve development outcomes, have globally mobilized approximately \$161 billion in capital towards sustainable development in developing countries to-date. According to Convergence, since 2010, approximately 13 percent of all transactions have targeted India. Sectors such as skills, education, and healthcare are prominent areas where blended finance is being used in India. Several types of instruments such as debt-based structures, impact bonds, and pay for success tools with guarantees built in are also being trialled. However, to date, these tools have been primarily driven by philanthropic organisations or private investors, with some early interest by the government to use these tools.</p> <p>The Corporate Social Responsibility (i.e., the legally mandated 2% of corporate profits that must directed to charitable activities) provides an additional funding pool, of almost ~\$7 billion towards meeting SDG goals. In 2020, family philanthropy tripled its corpus to USD 1.6 billion. This pool of funding is estimated to grow even further with the boom in ultra-high-net-worth families in India, and their increasing interest in deploying capital to fund social causes.</p> <p>This session will aim to stimulate discussion between CSR leaders (especially companies with a financial services focus), family offices, and experts in blended finance on the opportunities in blended finance in India. We will bring together panelists from financial institutions such as private and public banks, CSR leaders, family offices, and blended finance experts to discuss both their global best practices in blended finance and how they see these working in India.</p> <p>This session is curated by British Asian Trust.</p>
12-10-2021	Entrepreneur to Investor Deal Room	<p>If you are an investor looking for a promising, high-quality pipeline of entrepreneurs, register for the Sankalp Global Summit to gain access to the Deal Room. We'll curate a set of meetings specific to your ticket size and preferred sector. If you are for-profit entrepreneur looking for investment, you should apply for the Sankalp Deal Room! This is your chance to have curated one-on-one meetings with investors who are looking to put their money to work. The Deal Room is a platform that will connect high potential companies with angel investors, venture capital, and private equity companies with the aim of helping them raise capital and accelerate their</p>

		<p>growth. Sankalp will identify qualifying companies, support their preparation to meet investors, and establish meetings with capital providers for high potential businesses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a clear for-profit business model • Has a dedicated and complimentary promoter team, with industry and technical experience • Has traction in the market and shows high potential to scale • Is post-revenue (not necessarily profitable) • Has a clear potential to create impact for low-income populations, or for the environment <p>...then this Deal Room is for you!</p>
12-10-2021	<p>Keynote Address Nobel Peace Laureate, Kailash Satyarthi - "Leaving no child behind"</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/tASs6kDO75M</p>	<p>Kailash Satyarthi is a tireless advocate of children’s rights globally, and has led the global fight for children’s rights for more than four decades. Through his organisation Bachpan Bachao Andolan he has directly rescued more than 100,000 children from child labour, slavery, trafficking and other forms of exploitation. The Global March Against Child Labour, which he led, galvanized support in 103 countries resulting in the adoption of ILO Convention 182 on the Worst Forms of Child Labour, which became the only universally ratified convention in the history of the ILO in 2020. In 2014, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his lifetime of struggle against the exploitation of children and young people and for the right of all children to education. This UN International Year for the Elimination of Child Labour, he has launched the global Fair Share to End Child Labour Campaign through the Kailash Satyarthi Children’s Foundation and Laureates and Leaders for Children. The campaign addresses the inequality, injustice and discrimination that lie at the core of child labour. As recognition for his leadership, the UN Secretary General appointed Mr. Satyarthi as an SDG Advocate this year. He has dedicated his life to realizing his vision of ending violence against children and building a world where all every child is free to be a child</p>
12-10-2021	<p>Global Main Stage: Mainstreaming Impact - A global pathway to an inclusive, green recovery</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/tASs6kDO75M</p>	<p>As we navigate this pandemic that has transformed our lives across the world, the imperative for businesses, corporations, governments & individuals to pivot to an impact-driven economy has never been more urgent. Leading with an impact focus is now not a “good to do thing” or an afterthought but is smart economics that can solve the world’s most pressing challenges. The current pandemic has uncovered the inequities in the Global South whose</p>

		<p>vulnerable populations, and urban megacities have struggled with the basics of access to healthcare, food, water, jobs, migration etc. Rural populations have struggled with the connectivity and the increasing digital divide that has thrown millions of children out of formal education). Millions of women across the world have disproportionately lost jobs & livelihoods and have been victims of violence. To action the UN SDG's we need scalable and sustainable solutions, and mainstream capital to change the direction of their investments. The capital pivot requires a shift from investing in entrepreneurs whose goals are “cheaper, faster, more”, towards entrepreneurs who are purpose-driven to be inclusive and focused on clean air, clean water, clean land. Every year at Sankalp, we convene for-profit entrepreneurs that are driven by purpose, and the ecosystem needed to support them to thrive. We convene to solve for & with the emerging 3 billion in the Global South around the climate crisis, smallholder farmers, sustainable agriculture, financial inclusion, livelihoods, water, health & sanitation. We have an opportunity for a smart economic recovery across the Global South that can lead to a sustainable and equitable world.</p>
<p>12-10-2021</p>	<p>Fireside Chat with Nobel Peace Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/Gr1Mftx-aUQ</p>	<p>A fireside chat with Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus, a Bangladeshi social entrepreneur, banker, economist, and civil society leader who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for founding the Grameen Bank and pioneering the concepts of microcredit and microfinance. These loans are given to entrepreneurs too poor to qualify for traditional bank loans.</p>
<p>12-10-2021</p>	<p>Entrepreneur Slumber Party Cartier Women's Initiative Female Founder Showcase</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/ODJPY0tdDik</p>	<p>The Cartier Women’s Initiative is a global program that aims to support women entrepreneurs leading early-stage, impact-driven businesses. The program is open to women-run and women-owned businesses from any country and sector that aim to have a strong and sustainable social and/or environmental impact.</p> <p>This virtual session will showcase the outstanding work of six Cartier Women’s Initiative fellows who are leveraging business as a force for good. From industries as diverse as agriculture, healthcare, culture, and environmental services, the entrepreneurs will share the big problems that they are obsessed with and the innovative solutions that they have built to tackle these problems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fariel Salahuddin, Founder & CEO, UpTrade

		<p>(Pakistan), enabling smallholder rural, off-grid farming communities to meet their farming and household needs using livestock as currency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sara Saeed Khurram, CEO, Sehat Kahani (Pakistan), democratizing healthcare by building an all-female health provider network to deliver quality healthcare solutions using tele-health • Rebecca Hui, Founder & CEO, Roots Studio (United States), digitizing last-generation art from rural communities into an online library for licensing • Seynabou Dieng, Founder, MAYA (Mali), a food processing company specializing in grocery store products using an inclusive model through a partnership with farmers in Mali • Mimi Wu, Co-Founder & CEO, Myanmar Recycles (Myanmar), providing an industrial-scale solution to Myanmar's plastic pollution problem • Caitlin Dolkart, Founder, Flare Emergency Response (Kenya), building innovative life-saving emergency response products for Africa <p>This session is being supported by the Cartier Women's Initiative.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>Main Stage: Women Land Rights Funding Ecosystem : Status, Opportunities and Road Ahead</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/wZvnPlwODDM</p>	<p>This session seeks to deliberate on potential strategies that would expand availability and access to finances - investments and grants - for women land and property rights (WLPR) initiatives and enterprises in 'not for profit' and 'for profit' space. Despite evidence of better WLPR leading to equitable and sustainable developmental outcomes and India's gender-equitable legal framework, funding to improve WLPR in record and on ground, remains limited, not only from Government, but also from corporates and donors.</p> <p>This session would discuss pathways to improve availability to finances to WLPR initiatives and enterprises to move the needle forward towards the achievement of SDG, and if and how potential business-led solutions, including technology innovations can help this. Session will deliberate on the scope and challenges of technology innovations esp. around recent developments in big data analytics, AI & ML and geo-spatial tools that can scale up WLPR numbers at speed. It will also touch upon other strategic pathways that can expand finance, actors and engagements around WLPR. It seeks to engage with DFIs, multi and bilateral donors, philanthropists as well as WLPR organisations working at policy, practice, entrepreneurship and academics interfaces to assess the status, check potential and catalytic options and build</p>

		consensus on the right way forward.
13-10-2021	Impact measurement of entrepreneurship support organisations (ESOs)	Join this to chat in a small group about impact measurement.
13-10-2021	Speaker Lounge: Women Land Rights	
13-10-2021	<p>Greening Maharashtra's MSME sector</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/go7Q4sTP23Q</p>	<p>India's small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) have grown to become an essential gear driving the economy, contributing up to 37% of the country's GDP. As larger Indian corporations begin to set ambitious climate commitments, it is clear that the next step in decarbonising the industry is the transition of MSMEs to greener operations and products, and thus a greener supply chain. Maharashtra is a hub of industrial production for India, and is pioneering cutting-edge environmental commitments that will set the trend for the rest of the country. For the state to meet these low-carbon commitments, industries must green their businesses. Studies carried out in Maharashtra show that the MSME sector will struggle to do so without policy and financial support. Impact investing, and the rise of ESG criteria is a fast-growing opportunity to decarbonise the industry sector. This confluence of factors presents the opportunity to the business community in Maharashtra to come together and create a vibrant home-grown ecosystem of products and services for industry decarbonisation and resilience to impacts and shocks. This panel brings together experts from ESG financing, impact investment, service provision, and industry bodies to share tools and recommendations for the transformation of Maharashtra's MSMEs.</p> <p>This session is in collaboration with Purpose and MSINS.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>Responsible Business = Successful Business: Mainstreaming dignity and equity for all workers</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/y4v-1cghZZI</p>	<p>The pandemic-induced lockdown, and subsequent exodus of workers, shone light on the plight of informal workers, leading to an unprecedented convergence of multiple stakeholder groups towards this cause. Age-old issues were suddenly in the spotlight, and so the crisis also turned into an opportune moment to course correct. However, given the magnitude and complexity of the issues that this large demographic faces – reaching the most vulnerable workers remains an uphill task. A new aspiration to ensure equity and dignity for the vulnerable workers is the need of the hour!</p>

		<p>Mainstreaming of this new aspiration and ideology requires creating awareness, building partnerships that bring together experts from diverse spheres and allow expansion in an agile manner, engaging in thought leadership, and communicating and amplifying insights to activate behaviour change.</p> <p>The session unfolds <i>what mainstreaming means</i> at different levels; on the ground, in an organisation and across the industry, and within the global paradigm. The speakers of today's session are champions spearheading this effort at different levels and will speak to <i>how they are working to realise a new aspiration for India's most vulnerable workers</i> while engaging a diverse group of stakeholders with a <i>synergistic call to action</i>.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>Bridging the Financing Gap towards Growth of Women Collectives in India</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/DHYz9F6N2ls</p>	<p>Women-owned enterprises account for 20% of all enterprises in India, as of 2019. Most of these enterprises are micro or small enterprises and are based in rural areas, largely in agriculture and allied, manufacturing, and retail trade sectors.</p> <p>Collectivization of women into groups such as Self Help Groups (SHGs), Producer Companies (PCs), and Co-operatives has played a critical role in increasing the bargaining power as well as the social and economic resilience of women.</p> <p>However, market-led approaches to cater for the financing needs of these collectives are limited. These enterprises have to rely on funds from their personal savings, family and friends and are more or less excluded from formal sources of finance owing to very small scale of business activity, unpredictable cash flows, lack of collateral, and social norms.</p> <p>There is a potential opportunity to support ~700k women-owned collective enterprises in India to scale. Government funding and interventions in this segment need to be complemented with private sector financing as well as non-financing interventions to create an enabling ecosystem for such enterprises.</p> <p>Attend this session to hear about some innovative approaches to financing that can be piloted to enable private institutions to support these collective businesses to scale.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>क्या भाषा grassroot entrepreneurs के लिए एक बाधा है ?</p> <p>View the Session here:</p>	<p>हर entrepreneur को अपने काम को छोटे स्तर से बड़े स्तर तक लेकर जाने के लिए आर्थिक निवेश की जरूरत पड़ती है। Social entrepreneur का एकमात्र मकसद केवल आर्थिक लाभ नहीं होता, बल्कि समाज, राष्ट्र और पृथ्वी पर सकारात्मक प्रभाव बनाना होता है,</p>

	<p>https://youtu.be/r5CBd6Tzw2E</p>	<p>impact investors ऐसे enterprises में निवेश करके उनके प्रभाव को ऊँचे स्तर तक ले जाने में एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाते हैं।</p> <p>Impact investors निवेश का निर्णय लेते वक़्त Valuation, ROI, Scalability इत्यादि को अधिक महत्ता देते हैं। परन्तु globalisation के चलते उन तक पहुँचने के लिए अंग्रेजी भाषा की अच्छी समझ तथा presentation शैली की भी ज़रूरत होती है। ऐसे में अधिकतर अंग्रेजी भाषा पर पकड़ रखने वाले entrepreneur को अतिरिक्त लाभ होता है या यूँ कहें कि हिंदी या किसी क्षेत्रीय भाषा का प्रयोग करने वाले regional entrepreneurs के लिए भाषा एक अड़चन साबित होती है।</p> <p>जबकि, क्षेत्रीय संस्थान से शिक्षा प्राप्त करने के बाद ये regional entrepreneurs भारत की आधुनिक समस्याओं को enterprise के द्वारा सुलझाने में सामूहिक हित को देखते हैं। इस पैनाल के माध्यम से आज हम ऐसे कुछ सवालों का संबोधन करना चाहते हैं:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. क्या हम इस भाषिक विभाजन को ख़तम करके regional entrepreneurs को निवेश के समान अवसर कैसे प्राप्त करा सकते हैं? 2. क्या impact investors इस विभाजन से सचेत हैं? अगर हाँ, तो क्या वे गैर - अंग्रेजी भाषी entrepreneurs को भी निवेश के अवसर उपलब्ध करने के लिए प्रयास कर रहे हैं? 3. शैक्षिक संस्थानों एवं incubation centres की entrepreneurship के सफर में एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका है। ऐसे संस्थान गैर-अंग्रेजी बोलने वाले entrepreneurs को किस तरह की सहायता दे सकते हैं?
<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Market-led Solutions to Enhance Food and Nutrition Security in South Asia and Africa</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/6liRMIfPjWQ</p>	<p>The session seeks to highlight examples of market-led solutions for improving food and nutrition security in Africa and South Asia and deliberate on potential strategies to accelerate the achievement of food security and improved nutritional outcomes at the local, regional and global levels. This session will engage with DFIs, multi and bilateral donors, INGOs and Social enterprises from South Asia and Africa.</p>
<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Exploring Private Sector Finance for Forestry Sector in India</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/G73liXhtnxY</p>	<p>Forests and Trees Outside Forests (TOF) have a critical role in mitigating climate change impacts, providing livelihood benefits to the communities, and meeting India's sustainable development goals and commitments. In its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC), India envisions creating an additional carbon sink of 2.5 to 3 billion tonnes (Bt) of CO2 eq through additional forest and tree cover by 2030. This target means financial requirement between \$ 600 million to \$ 6.4 billion every year. The land requirement for such</p>

		<p>afforestation activity also ranges from 4.37 to 15 million hectares. Achievement of this target requires adding areas to the existing forest and tree cover majorly by afforestation outside the forest area.</p> <p>Aligning these commitments and resources with appropriate models on different categories of lands outside forest areas along with solutions around technology, institutions and markets are a must for not only achieving the national and private sector commitments around climate change but also benefiting people and the planet through livelihoods and biodiversity improvement. Based on panellists' expertise and experience, the session will explore options for private investments in TOF under different land categories and models and identify key barriers and solutions for promoting private sector investments for TOF.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>Reorienting financial institutions to serve women entrepreneurs</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/AdYUNhOUaRM</p>	<p>Several recent publications have highlighted the need for financial institutions to look inwards to adjust their processes and products to better serve women entrepreneurs. Studies across Asia and Africa highlight that while women-led micro and small enterprises look for debt as a source of capital, most are either denied bank loans or end up availing expensive, informal debt. Almost 71% of women entrepreneurs need to self-finance their businesses. The inability to borrow is largely driven by the lack of collateral, low-risk appetite of financial institutions and unconscious gender bias from banking executives. These challenges demonstrate the need for targeted, alternative debt instruments, combined with a shift in the mindset of lenders to better align to the needs and operating conditions of women entrepreneurs. This session intends to bring out what progress has already been made on this front and highlight learnings from the process and opportunities for the institutions. Some of the key questions that the session would focus on include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What changes need to be made to the current evaluation and approval criteria for loan disbursement for women borrowers? • What financial innovations can encourage increased capital flow to women entrepreneurs? • What are the challenges faced and risk perceptions of banks in lending to women entrepreneurs? • What support does the banking industry need to promote lending to women entrepreneurs?

<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Social entrepreneurs: An essential to our joint “response ability” to a world in crisis</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/B8TSqVkZg-w</p>	<p>In these times of uncertainty, one thing is certain: More crises will follow. What can we learn from the past 20 months? What are the leading responses, partnerships, and systems that should be kept together to be more able to respond to future shocks and stresses? And what are the investments that we can, or rather need, to make now to be in a different place tomorrow and help lead the way to an inclusive, green recovery and post COVID-19 reality?</p> <p>During this session, speakers will share their COVID-19 response efforts, lessons learned, and ideas for collectively changing the status quo in support of an inclusive recovery and resilient social enterprise ecosystem and society.</p> <p>This session is in collaboration with the World Economic Forum's - COVID 19 Response Alliance for Social Entrepreneurs</p>
<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Roundtable: Convening An Indo-German Startup Collaboration on SDG's & Tech</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/4wHcS0tLohs</p>	<p>Exponential technologies such as AI, robotics, the internet of things, and 3D printing have made the leap from the science fiction of the '80s and '90s to the reality of today. From self-driving cars to human organ printing, the future is not just here but also consumerized. The impact of these technologies is all-pervasive: no industry will remain untouched. But how can they be harnessed for building equitable and inclusive societies?</p> <p>The session is designed as an interactive discussion between entrepreneurs, financiers, policymakers, and associations who have proposed solutions to tackle SDG through technology-enabled solutions. Technology can also facilitate cross border collaborations and the potential for scaling solutions to solve some of the world's pressing challenges. This session is structured as an interactive discussion around possible collaborations between India, Germany and a global startup community.</p>
<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Innovation to End Energy Poverty: A Showcase for Entrepreneurs</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/iptgWaSuBeM</p>	<p>Despite significant progress in recent years, particularly on access to electricity, we are not on track to meet Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG7) to deliver universal access to energy by 2030. Almost 3 billion people remain without access to clean cooking. Without sustained efforts, 650 million people will still be left without access to electricity in 2030, and 9 out of 10 of them will be in sub-Saharan Africa. This affects all development goals, not just SDG7 as poor access to energy jeopardises healthcare and education provisions, quality of life, gender equity, livelihoods, and</p>

		<p>much more besides.</p> <p>Energy Catalyst, a UK funded programme, accelerates the innovation needed to end energy poverty. Through financial and advisory support, and by building strategic partnerships and uncovering new insights, Energy Catalyst supports the development of technologies and business models that can improve lives in Africa and Asia.</p> <p>The session will feature leading Energy Catalyst entrepreneurs working to end energy poverty and showcase their innovations to investors, potential partners and the Sankalp community.</p> <p>This session is supported by Energy Catalyst.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>‘Health for all, hunger for none’</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/LISRB9q4Cbl</p>	<p>The pandemic has exacerbated health and nutrition issues for many people all over the world: According to UN statistics, an additional 70-161 million people are likely to have experienced hunger because of the pandemic. 90% of countries are still reporting one or more disruptions to essential health services. And the growing and ageing world population is increasing the pressure on our natural resources such as land, soil, and water. We must act.</p> <p>To address these alarming health and nutrition challenges related to the UN sustainable development goals, collaboration across sectors is needed. Strong partnerships between social entrepreneurs, NGOs, policymakers and private entities, are key – because no single organization can drive this economic and societal transformation alone. The session “Health for All, Hunger for None” hosted by Bayer Foundations and Bayer AG aims at uniting different actors in the social arena to discuss openly how to tackle our world’s current and future challenges in health and nutrition. During the session, speakers will share best practices on social innovation projects in low-and middle-income regions such as Africa and India. Policymakers and private investors will highlight how a collaborative approach can benefit smallholder farmers, women, and other underserved communities</p> <p>This session is in partnership with Bayer Foundations & Bayer AG.</p>
13-10-2021	Masterclass: From Measuring Impact to Benchmarking	The world faces greater social and environmental challenges than ever. As the impact investing market continues to grow,

	<p>Performance</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/vddGUeFsXP8</p>	<p>investors face mounting pressure to deliver on their impact goals, to differentiate their value proposition when it comes to impact, and to generate impact more efficiently. Through effective impact performance analysis, investors can respond to this increasing need for more rigorous impact decision making. Through this dynamic Master Class, participants will learn about three critical components of meaningful impact performance analysis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. how to measure and manage impact through IRIS+; 2. how to compare and assess impact performance through the COMPASS methodology; and 3. what the future holds for benchmarks and other actionable, user-friendly analytic products. <p>Participants in the Masterclass will emerge well-positioned to both understand and accelerate their impact.</p>
<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Female Founders Deal Room</p>	<p>If you are an investor looking to diversify your portfolio by including more female founded business, look no further. You probably already know that businesses founded by women generate better returns and higher revenue than those founded by men. Let us connect you to amazing female founders at Sankalp. We'll curate a set of meetings specific to your ticket size and preferred sector. You'll need to be registered for the Sankalp Global Summit to gain access to the Female Founders' Deal Room.</p> <p>If you are woman with a for-profit company looking for investment, you should apply for the Female Founders' Deal Room! This is your chance to have curated one-on-one meetings with investors who are looking to put their money to work.</p> <p>The Female Founders Deal Room is a platform that will connect high potential companies founded by women with angel investors, venture capital, and private equity companies with the aim of helping them raise capital and accelerate their growth. Sankalp will identify qualifying companies, support their preparation to meet investors, and establish meetings with capital providers for high potential businesses.</p> <p>If you are: A female founder, have an incorporated for-profit business, are generating revenues (your business does not need to be profitable)</p> <p>...then the Female Founders' Deal Room is for you!</p>

13-10-2021	Back to School Outcomes Fund	<p>The 2020 National Education Policy (NEP) has an inspiring vision for universal acquisition of foundational skills for all children in India by 2025. Yet, the COVID-19 pandemic has led to unprecedented setbacks. As children come back to school, they will require significant support to catch up and develop the foundational skills they need to succeed. With learning levels lower and more varied than ever before, and the pandemic continuing to threaten in-school learning, states will need innovative and resilient approaches.</p> <p>The British Asian Trust, Dalberg, Central Square Foundation, Dell Foundation, Kaizevest and UBS Optimus Foundation, are designing and launching a ~USD 20-30M 'Back to School Outcomes Fund' that build both the supply of solutions to address these extraordinary challenges, and the states' demand to embrace them.</p> <p>The fund, builds on the Quality Education India Impact bond and will be the most ambitious such project in the blended finance space and will include key State Government partners, local service providers and key technical partners</p> <p>This 'deal room' at Sankalp aims to bring investors and donors into this vision, design and early plans, get their perspectives and evangelise support as the fund moves forward.</p> <p>If you would like to participate in this session, please send a mail to mayur.varandani@intellecap.net Note: Participation is subject to approval from the concerned team. Once approved, our team will contact you to discuss the next steps.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>Practical Innovations to help Women farmers access land and services: Empowering Women Agripreneurs</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/vhYBlkOkaVY</p>	<p>In addition to improved skills and organization, women farmers need access to land and related services to become successful agripreneurs. Women are 65% of agricultural workers but just 14% of all landowners with formal land records. Without land records in their names, women farmers may not be able to access services and entitlements linked to the land records, including the PM Kisan cash transfer and the PMFBY crop insurance scheme. Many states also require the officeholders of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) to submit copies of their land records as part of the FPO registration process.</p> <p>This session will profile practical entrepreneurial innovations by government and non-government organizations (NGOs) using technical and other innovations to strengthen women farmers' access to land and agricultural services and assess</p>

		<p>the feasibility of scaling up such initiatives. In addition to lightning talks by the social entrepreneurs behind these initiatives, the session will feature testimonials from some of the women agripreneurs on how they have used their increased access to land and services to grow their businesses. The session will be organized in a “shark tank” format, with the social entrepreneurs pitching their innovations to a panel of public and private sector investor “judges,” who will provide their reflections on the relevance and scalability of these innovations within their own portfolios as part of a moderated roundtable discussion. Participants can engage directly with the social entrepreneurs in an informal virtual “lounge” format following the session.</p>
<p>13-10-2021</p>	<p>Global Main Stage: The Care Economy: Role of Social Finance in Promoting Gender Equity</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/FynL9pcrVfo</p>	<p>Paid and unpaid care and domestic work which constitute the care economy are vital to society. Yet, they remain invisible, undervalued and unevenly distributed. Women are disproportionately burdened by unpaid care and domestic work, resulting in time poverty, drudgery and ineffective participation in the labour market. Women also constitute a significant proportion of the paid domestic workforce and are often paid only minimum wage. The drudgery of unpaid care and domestic chores, and even paid care work, have resulted in subtle, and yet very powerful barriers to women’s economic empowerment. Such barriers prevent the household and the economy from tapping into women’s full potential even though women account for most of the paid domestic workforce. The COVID-19 crisis has yet again proved how central the care economy is to society. The post-COVID-19 recovery offers an opportunity to make the care economy a key driver of a more inclusive and equal society. Strategic investments informed by quality evidence can significantly contribute to addressing vulnerabilities in the care economy sector by rewarding and formalising care services and domestic work. They can also contribute to reducing and redistributing care responsibilities. Estimates show that increasing investments in the care economy can create 475 million jobs by 2030 and help meet SDG targets related to health, education and decent job creation.</p> <p>Against this background, the panel discussion aims to dwell on various aspects such as, the state of the private sector in the care economy and challenges thereof, opportunities for social finance to support enterprises in the care economy, support structures that exist or need to be put in place to enable such investments, & a call to action to stakeholders in the development sector.</p>

13-10-2021	<p>Write is Might : A conversation around books, society, influence and impact</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/pmhfXu4ZjSc</p>	<p>For centuries literature has shaped human history in a myriad of ways. Be it in enabling society, building a revolution, tempering the human mind or gathering communities for action, literature and books have had a strong influence in addressing social and economic inequities, inspiring generations, creating social impact, inspiring ideas that have shaped our understanding and bringing to bear the great learning from some of the greatest writers of our time.</p> <p>Through this panel, we aim to create a casual freewheeling conversation on books, their influence on society, and share insights on the impact they can deliver to society.</p>
13-10-2021	#Women At Sankalp: Decolonial feminists: Woman of the Global South	<p>The workshop is designed to be a self-reflective with interactive sharing between participants. TED style talks will be used to introduce the concepts: coloniality of being (identity), coloniality of hierarchies (gender), and coloniality of knowledge, decolonial feminism, and to introduce a space for a creative end to the workshop. Self-reflective journaling will form part of the workshop for participants to explore their intersection of positionality in global coloniality and how this impacts their identity, lived experiences, and knowledge production. Story telling will be used to explore participant's relationship with their development as a woman and how this relates to their work roles in the field of development. There will be opportunity for participants to share their responses with the wider group through the chat box and verbally. Participants can expect the session to be uncomfortable at times and fun at times, but ultimately reflective and transformative. Decoloniality of mind can be very liberating, although, it requires a brave and honest self-examination for this reason participants will be encouraged to engage with their emotions, their visceral instincts, and delink from prescribed texts. The workshop will end with a creative expression as we step into 'being' woman delinking from the colonial matrix of power.</p>
13-10-2021	<p>Exploring Poetry that Inspires Change</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/Mp9Hek98IFy</p>	<p>Art, culture, and the written word have inspired movements of change for centuries. Join this community session to share inspiring poetry written by stalwarts, and the Sankalp community.</p> <p>Feel free to bring your own poetry to share!</p>
13-10-2021	Entrepreneur Slumber Party Pitches from Seed Stage Entrepreneurs	Are you an investor looking to deploy capital into early-stage companies that are post-revenue? This session is for you!

	<p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/yvv5Rka7iuE</p>	<p>7 Early-stage companies operating across South Asia, Southeast Asia, and sub-Saharan Africa, will be pitching at the slumber party.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orora, from India • Oorja, from India • Be Girl, from Mozambique and the US • Farm on Wheels, from Nigeria • Whrrl, from India • Folia Water, from Bangladesh • Energy Action Partners, from Malaysia
<p>14-10-2021</p>	<p>CAIF Conclave Opening Plenary: Sustainable Business is Good Business</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/60_OdUX6DUc</p>	<p>As we continue to navigate this pandemic that has transformed our lives around the world, the imperative for businesses, corporations, governments and individuals to pivot to an impact-driven economy has never been more urgent. Leading with an impact focus is now not just a 'good thing to do', or an afterthought but is smart economics that can solve the world's most pressing challenges.</p> <p>To guide this narrative, especially in the global south, we are hosting the 3rd edition of CAIF Conclave on Thursday, 14 Oct, during the virtual impact week (12 - 14 October 2021) of the Sankalp Global Summit. The theme for this year is "sustainable business is good business".</p> <p>Textiles and Apparel / Fashion has been one of the hardest-hit industries from COVID-19 with the devastating global knock-on effects from depressed consumer sentiment, changes in supply and demand, lockdowns, and retail closures. Further, there is increased pressure from consumers and stakeholders to address economic, social and environmental impacts on the People and the Planet.</p> <p>With some of the leading voices, we will lay the foundation for how the sessions through the day will address the 3 aspects of sustainable business - social, economic and environmental</p> <p>Adopting a circular economy approach addresses this focus on the 3 P's – People, Planet and Profits. It gradually decouples economic growth from virgin resource use, improves the productivity of input utilisation, benefits local and global economics, and is a significant driver of job creation and dignified employment.</p>
<p>14-10-2021</p>	<p>Main Stage - Connecting Asia's</p>	<p>What we intend to bring out is the connection that the ASEAN</p>

	<p>Impact: Building South & South-East Asia's SDG Corridor</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/ljfnNBzDKaY</p>	<p>region and India want to work together in the post-pandemic order and need to intensify cooperation. Impact investment and achieving the SDGs is one such area for doing so.</p> <p>How may we connect funds, entrepreneurs and good ideas between India, Thailand, Indonesia and other ASEAN countries? What are the avenues available? What are the challenges?</p>
14-10-2021	<p>CAIF Conclave: Reimagining jobs and livelihood in the textiles industry</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/Hb6HG8BJDM</p>	<p>The textile and apparel industry's transition to a circular economy is set to witness significant shifts. While on one hand, the pathway to this transition shall be marked by improved technology, smart manufacturing, and better resource utilisation; on the other, it comes with far-reaching implications on the overall future of work and the livelihoods that are closely tied to it.</p> <p>This session will bring together leaders from pioneering organizations and deep dive into answering the one key question "how do we protect and ensure the future of workers (circular jobs)?"</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Beyond beds and buildings: Building a resilient healthcare system for LMICs</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/pB2Ys_1xoh0</p>	<p>The second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic was a wake-up call for India and other LMICs for the need to overhaul their crumbling health infrastructure. The Indian government has responded with a two-phased emergency response and health systems preparedness packages. The packages promise a network of well-equipped health facilities at all levels of healthcare with steps to avert resource and supply shortages across the system including hospital beds, ICU beds, surveillance mechanisms among others. Apart from infrastructural capabilities, building other critical components such as human resources, surveillance, supply chains, financing, digital infrastructure and manpower for healthcare systems is necessary. This session will seek to uncover the approaches for enabling a holistic transition of India's healthcare system for handling not only COVID but also the phenomenal health challenges that India will face in the future. The panel will expedite to go beyond an analysis of the response to the COVID pandemic and brainstorm on the implications of the response being planned and ways to strengthen it. The power panel will include experts including policymakers, scientists, innovators, gender experts and private sector partners across India and other LMICs.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Bridging the financing gap for Electric Vehicles in India</p>	<p>India's transition to electric vehicles (EV) will require a cumulative capital investment of \$266 billion (₹19.7 trillion) in</p>

	<p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/YjwGhirPwZO</p>	<p>EVs, charging infrastructure, and batteries over the next decade, according to a report by NITI Aayog and Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI). In the ‘Mobilising Electric Vehicle Financing in India’ report, they assessed that the market size of financing of EVs would be \$50 billion (₹3.7 trillion) in 2030—about 80% of India’s retail vehicle finance industry’s current size worth \$60 billion (₹4.5 trillion) today.</p> <p>Re-engineering vehicle finance and mobilizing public and private capital will be critical to accelerating the deployment of the 50 million EVs that could be plying on India’s roads by 2030. The need of the hour is to mobilize capital and finance towards EV assets and infrastructure. As we work towards accelerating the domestic adoption of EVs and push for globally competitive manufacturing of EVs and components like advanced cell chemistry batteries, we need banks and other financiers to lower the cost and increase the flow of capital for electric vehicles.</p> <p>Financial institutions such as banks and non-banking financial companies, the industry, and the government need to come together to catalyze the required capital. OEMs, as well as end-users, currently face several challenges, such as high interest rates, high insurance rates, and low loan-to-value ratios.</p> <p>The barriers within EV finance need to be tackled in a structured manner with innovative financing models. Further digital lending, business model innovation, fleet, and aggregator electrification targets, and the creation of an open data repository for EVs would further augment the growth of the sector.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Policies to Increase Long-term Credit Access for the Farm Sector from Institutional Lenders</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/8-77OjkJEAs</p>	<p>The agriculture sector is the largest provider of rural livelihoods in India, yet access to long term credit from formal institutional lenders is often a hurdle. Lack of access to quality finance is a major constraint for many farmers, preventing them from adopting new technologies and improving efficiency. Effective agricultural finance empowers poor farmers to increase their wealth and results in greater food production.</p> <p>Going forward, the development of the agricultural sector requires substantial investments in infrastructure and extensive adoption of technology & technological support, which will enable the farming sector to increase its output. To fund this, we require innovative financial products and capital</p>

		<p>commitments for the long term.</p> <p>Increased long-term financing will be needed to overcome the crisis. This comes at a time when resources are even more limited, highlighting the need for highly effective policies and strategies to maximize returns on investments from the sector.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Fireside Chat: Investing For Impact – Perspectives from Sequoia and Aavishkaar</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/SY1PVET5Le4</p>	<p>Sequoia Capital India is a venture capital firm based in India and Southeast Asia that actively partners with founders from a wide range of companies, across categories, including BYJUs, Gojek, OYO Rooms, Tokopedia, Truecaller, Zomato and more. In partnering with Sequoia, startups benefit from 49 years of tribal knowledge and lessons learned working with companies like Airbnb, Alibaba, Apple, Dropbox, Google, Linked In and Stripe early on.</p> <p>Aavishkaar seeks to create Impact Unicorns, enterprises that will better the lives of a billion people, which should also lead to value creation in conventional dollar terms. The two investing approaches are starting to find common ground, with some enterprises attracting the eyes of both investors, given the power of technology in scaling solutions.</p> <p>This session will be a discussion between Rajan Anandan, MD, Sequoia India & Surge & Vineet Rai, Founder, Aavishkaar Group.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>CAIF Conclave: Business Case for a Circular Textiles Economy</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/inGL3wG0dNM</p>	<p>The circular economy offers a clear and credible pathway to achieve sustainably — one that brings focus on people, the planet and profit. While the potential that circular economy solutions and models offer are well documented, there are real and perceived barriers associated with their adoption. One such barrier is the lack of clear evidence of their financial viability: a business case. This session, with leading voices from organisations that have made progress towards a circular economy, will surface some of the best practices and thought leadership in the transition towards a circular economy.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Scaling Nature Based Solutions for Climate Change - The role of carbon markets</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/caty3Viu2pQ</p>	<p>We are reaching a tipping point for nature and climate with over half of the global GDP, ~\$44 trillion, potentially threatened by nature loss. The global food, land and ocean use system alone, including its full supply chains, represents around \$10 trillion of GDP (12% of global GDP) and up to 40% of employment. However, the hidden costs of the food, ocean and land-use system estimated at \$12 trillion, exceed its</p>

		<p>contribution to global GDP.</p> <p>According to some estimates, cost-effective nature-based solutions (e.g. enhancing land-based sinks ecosystem protection and restoration, improved agriculture practices, prudent use of degraded land etc.) could contribute ~20% of the mitigation needed between now and 2050 to keep global warming below 2°C. It is also worth noting that the demand for voluntary carbon credits has increased for all credit types, but especially for NBS. According to some estimates, NBS could supply the Global Voluntary Carbon Market entirely up to a four-fold growth from current levels of demand, if these projects are allowed to help host countries achieve their NDCs (400Mt/yr compared to 90Mt/yr in 2020).</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Making the Most of Food: Scaling circular agribusiness in Africa</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/OUjEkk8uwzs</p>	<p>By 2050, the Earth's population will increase by two billion. How will we sustainably feed a growing population without depleting the planet's resources? We must make the most of food and the resources required to produce it.</p> <p>Circular agriculture is an important approach to building a more sustainable food system. We need disruptive, innovative and impact-driven companies to provide circular solutions in agricultural markets and supply chains, and to find ways to make these changes affordable and achievable.</p> <p>In this exploratory and engaging session, participants will be introduced to O-Farms, a bold, new initiative focused entirely on making circularity a mainstream approach in the East-African agrifood sector. Participants can expect a creative and highly participatory session, delving into the barriers and opportunities for going circular. While also being inspired by the stories of SMEs already leading the way. From one, harnessing organic waste and insects to produce animal feed. To another, turning cashew nut by-products into delicious juice and jams.</p> <p>The session will conclude with parallel discussions on the role of different stakeholders, in helping to facilitate SMEs to transition from a linear to a circular food system. Not only will participants gain valuable insights on this innovative approach, but also the opportunity to connect, and exchange ideas with relevant actors from across the ecosystem.</p>
14-10-2021	WASH Financing: Learnings from Asia and Africa	<p>In 2016, the World Bank estimated the capital investment required to achieve WASH SDGs (targets 6.1, 6.2) at three times the then investment levels. Meeting these targets</p>

	<p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/oaadftnFKLU</p>	<p>would need investments of USD 114 billion annually. Even as the sector has historically been financed by the public sector, these resources are insufficient to ensure safe WASH services for all. This presents an urgent need and opportunity for private sector capital to help bridge the financing gap while securing social and financial returns on WASH investments.</p> <p>WASH service providers in most developing countries meet only a few requirements of private financiers, thus undermining the sector's ability to attract additional private finance. To address this mismatch, the development community is promoting financing mechanisms that blend commercial and concessional capital, provide guarantees, TA, etc. thus enabling capital flow to the sector.</p> <p>This session is a showcase cum panel discussion and will bring funding agencies, financial institutions and implementation agencies on a common platform to share their learnings from the design and implementation of innovative WASH financing facilities. The panel will deliberate on different facilities, the impact created by them and factors facilitating and inhibiting the operation of such facilities.</p>
<p>14-10-2021</p>	<p>Workshop: Venture Capital, Business Angels & Startups</p>	<p>In the workshop, we will take a closer look at Venture Capital, Business Angels and Startups. For venture capitalists or business angels, you learn how to identify high-performing start-ups and how to help make them successful.</p> <p>For those who are, or are thinking about being in a startup, you learn how to get offers from venture capitalists, how to choose among these, and how do you ensure you get the most out of the relationship with your investor.</p>
<p>14-10-2021</p>	<p>The private Sector's role in getting to net zero</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/3NyoZSSI8jo</p>	<p>Climate change is the defining issue of this decade. The entire global community is facing unprecedented and interconnected sustainability challenges that need addressing.</p> <p>Business has a vital role to play in driving down greenhouse gas emissions and building the resilient, zero-emissions economy which is the need of the hour. From textile and automotives to cement and steel, the private sector needs to rally around the issue like never before. Fortunately, this has already begun — as of March 2021, 400 of the world's largest public companies representing annual sales of nearly US\$ 14 trillion had committed to reaching net-zero emissions.</p>

		<p>The session aims to deliberate on the initiatives of such organisations across different sectors, the challenges they face on their net-zero journey, the solutions they have adopted and the support they need at an ecosystem level to accelerate the transition towards net zero. It also focuses on overcoming inequity in climate impact, especially between the Global North and Global South, and emphasises the need for action in countries disproportionately affected by the climate crisis.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Blended Finance – Supporting India’s COVID-19 recovery and long-term health systems strengthening</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/ecZgnq5AfCM</p>	<p>The COVID-19 is not merely a health pandemic in the short term, but devastating Human, Health, Economic and Financial crises for the long term. It has highlighted the increasing need to improve access, affordability, and quality of health services. The COVID-19 has further exacerbated India’s health system issues, with the country’s fewer available domestic resources for health due to economic contractions coupled with significantly higher healthcare costs. Additionally, the pandemic has had devastating impacts on poor households, expanding inequalities and vulnerabilities for those who cannot afford to pay for healthcare.</p> <p>There is a significant need to drive greater investments and resources towards strengthening India’s health systems in an effort to provide equitable healthcare services for all households. Utilizing blended finance, the Government of India and donors can unlock new capital sources for investments in social enterprises serving the base of the pyramid, support high-impact health solutions at scale, and spur health system efficiencies, ultimately getting more health for the money.</p> <p>This session is structured as a panel discussion with experts from healthcare financing, investor and investee as the primary target audience. The session is aimed at building expertise within the health ecosystem for blended finance by sharing the merits and opportunities for innovative financing solutions. The panel will also deliberate on the learnings from the successful case study and identify means of closing funding gaps to maximize public health impact. This session will support in driving continued blended finance investments for India’s COVID-19 recovery and long-term health systems strengthening.</p>
14-10-2021	Gig Economy et l'Avenir du Monde Professionnel	Rejoignez-nous pour cette session du Sankalp Global Summit 2021 pour discuter de la Gig Economy et de l'Avenir du

	<p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/4lZ4Y2wR4mc</p>	<p>Monde Professionnel, comme une nouvelle opportunité en or que les jeunes basés en Afrique de l'Ouest peuvent explorer pour développer leurs moyens de subsistance. Écoutez plusieurs experts qui ont traversé le territoire panafricain pour créer des entreprises qui servent à la fois les marchés émergents et matures numériquement, des entrepreneurs qui élaborent des solutions puissantes pour rendre cela possible, ainsi que des investisseurs qui sont prêts à soutenir les entreprises de la Gig Economy.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Global Main Stage: Revisiting investment priorities in the wake of Climate Crisis</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/-ga5p482Zzs</p>	<p>While climate finance reached record levels by 2017-2018 (crossing the USD half-trillion mark for the first time), it still remains far behind what is needed to keep global warming below 1.5 °C. The estimated investment required to achieve the low-carbon transition ranges from USD 1.6 trillion to USD 3.8 trillion annually between 2016 and 2050, for supply-side energy system investments alone (IPCC 2018). The Global Commission on Adaptation (GCA 2019) estimates adaptation costs of USD 180 billion annually from 2020 to 2030. During this period, public finance represented 44% of total commitments, largely driven by domestic, bilateral, and multilateral development finance institutions (DFIs). 56% of the private finance was mostly driven by non-financial corporations, although their share saw a declining trend. In 2018, less than 1% of assets in the world's largest 100 pension funds were invested in low-carbon solutions. Only 15% of these funds had a policy in place which omitted fossil fuels in some way from their investments, and 65% did not have any kind of formal climate policy. A recent survey conducted of 104 asset managers globally, showed that 40% of asset managers are still not engaging in climate change. The 60 largest commercial and investment banks have collectively financed \$3.8 trillion in fossil fuel companies between 2016 and 2020, five years since the Paris Agreement was signed. While many in the investment community have made significant strides when it comes to divesting from fossil fuels, investing in low-carbon solutions, and disclosing financial risks emerging from climate change; it is evident that a tectonic shift is needed in investment priorities and trends to achieve the globally agreed climate goals. This session will help the audience understand the factors that will be instrumental in driving this shift going forward.</p>
14-10-2021	<p>Speaker Lounge Office Hours with Prof. Henning Piezunka</p>	<p>If you're still hungry for more after Prof. Henning Piezunka's workshop on venture capital, join him in a small group discussion to debate and explore global venture capital trends.</p>

14-10-2021	<p>Entrepreneur Slumber Party Pitches from Early Growth Stage Entrepreneurs</p> <p>View the Session here: https://youtu.be/SngTQurUuMA</p>	<p>Are you an investor looking to deploy capital into early growth-stage companies that are post-revenue? This session is for you!</p> <p>5 early growth stage companies operating across South Asia, Southeast Asia, and sub-Saharan Africa, will be pitching at the slumber party:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recity, from India• Me Meraki, from India• SmartTeller, from Nigeria• Yolele, from Senegal and the US• Charm Impact, from the UK
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