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Track 3

Sustainable Finance, Impact Investing & Green Economics



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Track Information

The global movement encouraging the transition toward a low-carbon and socially responsible global economy has garnered investor and regulator interest in sustainable finance. Firms outperforming peers on financially material ESG factors exhibit superior risk-adjusted returns (Khan, 2016). CSR engagement reduces systematic risk with socially responsible funds outperforming conventional funds during crisis (Nofsinger & Varma, 2014). Therefore, rigorous quantitative frameworks are also being developed to measure the implications of an impact investing strategy (Lo & Zhang, 2024).

In the context of sustainability among financial institutions, Danisman & Tarazi (2024) illustrate that banks with higher ESG activity maintained stronger credit supply during financial crises. Green bond issuance improves resource efficiency of renewable energy development as the “greenium” associated with green bonds lowers the cost of capital for environmentally sustainable projects (Agliardi & Agliardi, 2019).

Accordingly, regulatory frameworks are evolving to standardize and regulate sustainable investing practices. Well-designed classifications can reduce ambiguity and offer clarity to regulators and investors thereby mitigating greenwashing risks in sustainability investments (Inderst & Opp, 2025). Such moves can improve allocation efficiency and reduce greenwashing risks in equity mutual funds, strengthening the credibility of sustainable investment products (Abourab et al., 2025).

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to

- **ESG Integration in Investment Decisions** – Incorporating environmental, social, and governance factors in portfolio management.
- **Green Bonds & Climate Finance** – Funding projects with measurable environmental benefits.
- **Impact Measurement in Finance** – Evaluating the social and environmental outcomes of investments.
- **Socially Responsible Banking** – Embedding sustainability and ethical priorities in banking practices.
- **Regulatory Frameworks for Sustainable Investing** – Policies and Taxonomies Guiding Ethical and Green Finance.

Uniqueness of the track SDG goals connected:

- **SDG 7** – Affordable & Clean Energy
- **SDG 8** – Decent Work & Economic Growth
- **SDG 12** – Responsible Consumption & Production
- **SDG 13** – Climate Action
- **SDG 16** – Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions
- **SDG 17** – Partnerships for the Goals

SUBMISSION TYPES:

- **Full Length Paper:** (5,000 to 6,000 Words) It will be published in Springer proceedings (Scopus Indexed)
- **Research Pitch:** Extended Abstract (1500 Words) It will be published in FOS 2026-GRIE conference Proceeding book with ISBN

Journal Publication Opportunities:

- **Journal of Islamic Accounting and Business Research (Emerald), ABDC - C, IF- 2.8**
- **International Review of Finance ABDC-A, IF- 2.6**
- **Journal of Financial Services Marketing ABDC- B, IF- 4.3**

Based on the organizing committee, authors of selected high-quality contributions will be invited to extend their work into full-length papers for potential submission to the journal.

Note: For more details, please refer to the author guidelines on the conference website. Conference Website <https://fos.tsm.ac.in/> Submission link: <https://forms.gle/BZ4kipxiDbJpu7aj6>

We particularly welcome interdisciplinary perspectives that connect finance, economics, policy, and management. Submissions may use qualitative, quantitative, or mixed methods and are encouraged to engage with international comparative settings.

Keywords: Sustainable Finance; Impact Investing; Green Economics; ESG Integration; Climate Finance; Responsible Banking; Ethical and Regulatory Frameworks.

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