



**THAKUR INSTITUTE OF
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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MANAGING FOR A SUSTAINABLE WORLD (ICMSW-2026)

**“Managing the Urban-Industrial Nexus:
Strategies for responsible cities through
responsible consumption and production”**

**11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES
AND COMMUNITIES**



**12 RESPONSIBLE
CONSUMPTION
AND PRODUCTION**



10 April -11 April 2026

About Theme of the Conference:

Thakur Institute of Management Studies & Research (TIMSR) is proud to host the International Conference on Managing for a Sustainable World 2.0 (ICMSW-2.0). Scheduled on 10-11 April 2026, the conference focuses on the critical synergy between Sustainable Development Goal 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production).

The conference theme will be **"Managing the Urban-Industrial Nexus: Strategies for responsible cities through responsible consumption and production"**.

The global population is increasingly concentrated in urban areas which are economic engines but also major resource consumers and waste generators. According to the estimates by United Nations, by 2050, over two-thirds of the global population will be living in cities. This concentration makes urban population vulnerable and moreover the stakeholders need be at the forefront for mitigating the challenges through innovative solutions to make cities sustainable and resilient.

Urban areas cannot be truly sustainable if it is built on a linear, "take-make-dispose" production model. Pollution from irresponsible production and mismanagement of urban waste directly violate the goals of resilient and healthy communities. Conversely, effective urban planning is essential for implementing solutions like sustainable transport and public procurement. Achieving these goals of sustainable cities and responsible consumption requires management innovation across different facets such as:

- Redesigning supply chains to be circular
- Financing green infrastructure
- Developing smart systems for resource tracking
- Shifting consumer behaviour within the urban environment
- Changing the society's culture towards consumption and waste creation



This conference seeks papers that address the strategic and managerial solutions that successfully bridge this critical gap.

Important Dates:

Event	Date
Conference Dates (In-Person & Virtual)	April 10th -11th, 2026
Abstract Submission starts	February 18th, 2026
Last Date of Full Paper / Camera ready Paper Submission	March 25th, 2026
Last Date of Extended Abstract Submission	March 25th, 2026
Last Date of Registration	March 25th, 2026

Call for Papers: Tracks and Sub-Themes

We invite submissions that explore theoretical advancements, empirical research and policy implications focusing on the integrated realization of SDG 11 and SDG 12.

TRACK 1: Circular Urban Metabolism and Waste Management

This track focuses on the flow of materials, energy and water within cities and the strategies to minimize waste and maximize resource utility.

- **Circular Economy Models for Cities:** Implementing "reduce, reuse, repair, recycle" strategies at a metropolitan scale.
- **Waste-to-Resource Innovation:** Management of municipal solid waste, e-waste, and construction debris.
- **Food System Sustainability:** Halving food waste at the retail and consumer level in urban centers.
- **Decoupling Economic Growth:** Strategies for urban economies to grow without increasing material footprint.

TRACK 2: Green Infrastructure, Supply Chains and Efficiency

This track addresses the integration of sustainable technologies and ethical practices in the production and infrastructure that services cities.

- **Sustainable Infrastructure:** Designing resilient, resource-efficient buildings and public works utilizing local materials.
- **Sustainable Logistics and Transport:** Developing green supply chains and low-carbon urban mobility solutions.
- **Corporate Sustainability Reporting (ESG):** Mandatory and voluntary adoption of sustainable practices by companies operating in urban areas.
- **Financing the Green Transition:** Investment and financing models (e.g., green bonds, Public-Private Partnerships) for urban-industrial synergy.

TRACK 3: Governance, Policy and Sustainable Lifestyles

This track examines the policy frameworks, institutional capacity and human behavioral changes necessary for sustainable cities and responsible consumption.

- **Inclusive Urban Planning:** Enhancing participatory, integrated planning that promotes safe, inclusive, and accessible public spaces.
- **Sustainable Public Procurement (SPP):** The role of local government purchasing power in driving sustainable production and consumption patterns.
- **Consumer Behavior and Education:** Managing the shift toward responsible consumption habits, eco-labeling and minimizing the environmental impact of lifestyles.
- **Technology and Transparency:** Leveraging AI, IoT and Blockchain for sustainable urban management and supply chain transparency

TRACK 4: Human Capital, Equity and Green Skills for Sustainable Futures

This track, covering HR related facets, focuses on the role of the workforce, culture and ethics in driving sustainable outcomes within cities and across production systems.

- **Human-Centric Urban Workplaces:** Creating inclusive workplaces and addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in tech-driven, sustainable urban job markets.
- **Green HR and the Circular Workforce:** Strategies for upskilling and reskilling the workforce for jobs required by the circular economy (e.g., repair, sustainable design). Implementing Green HR initiatives to promote employee engagement in corporate sustainability goals.
- **Ethical Management and Well-being:** The ethical implications of technology deployment and the development of equitable business models for sustainable growth. Managing work-life balance and the impact of automation on employee well-being.
- **Leadership for Resilience:** The role of HR in fostering a culture of innovation and sustainability, and developing agile leadership models to manage disruption.

Publication Opportunities

High-quality submissions may be considered for fast-track publication opportunities following the peer review process, in associated journals and edited books.

- Special Issue of **Journal of global economy** (ISSN (E) : 2278-1277; ISSN (P) : 0975-3931) indexed in Index Copernicus and WorldCat. Each article will receive unique Digital Object Identifier (DOI).
- **TIMSR Journal of Management Research** (ISSN 2278-5752)
- Selected full papers will be published as an Edited Book bearing e-ISBN.
- All accepted abstracts will be published in Conference Proceedings.

Please note that publication is subject to review policy of respective journals, editors and publishers.

Submission Guidelines

- Similarity Index: All submitted work must mandatorily have a similarity index below 10%.
- AI Usage: AI generated content should be less than 20 %.
- Referencing: Please follow the APA style for referencing.
- All submissions should be original and previously unpublished.
- Word Limit: Full paper limit is 8,000 words and extended abstract limit is 3,000 words.
- Submission Method: Submit your abstract (up to 250 words) / full paper through G form. Submission link = <https://forms.gle/HWZxefgLy2VmnoyC9>

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Conference Format & Venue

The conference will be held hybrid mode at the TIMSR campus, with virtual attendance options available.

- **Physical Venue:** TIMSR, C Block, Thakur Educational Campus, Thakur Village, Kandivali East, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- **Web:** <https://timsrcampus.in/international-conference-icmsw-2026/>
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