

Speakers and Schedule  
 Healing Earth Conference 2023  
 24th & 25th February  
 6 - 9 PM IST

**Schedule for Day 1- Environmental futures when climate change looms**

Convener: Meghna Agarwala, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, Ashoka University

SESSION 1.	
<p><b>Gautam Menon</b>            Director, Centre for Climate Change &amp; Sustainability (3CS), Dean, Research and Professor of Physics and Biology, Ashoka University</p>	<p>Opening remarks   <b>6 - 6.05 pm IST</b></p>
<p><b>Ruth DeFries</b>            Professor of Ecology and Sustainable Development at Columbia University in New York and co-founding Dean of the <a href="#">Columbia Climate School</a>. Author of the books: <i>The Big Ratchet: How Humanity Thrives in the Face of Natural Crisis</i> and <i>What Would Nature Do?: A Guide for Our Uncertain Times</i>.</p>	<p>The promise and pitfalls of land-use related climate mitigation in India   <b>6.05 – 6.25 pm IST</b></p>
<p><b>Paul Robbins</b>            Dean of the Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He guides the institute in serving as a world leader in addressing rapid global environmental change.</p>	<p>Persistent Plantation Pathologies: From the Colonial <i>Taux de Boisement</i> to 21<sup>st</sup> Century Climate Forestry   <b>6.25 - 6.45 pm IST</b></p>
<p><i>Audience Q &amp; A 6.45 – 7 pm IST</i></p>	
SESSION 2.	
<p><b>Navroz Dubash</b>            Professor at the Centre for Policy Research, where he conducts research and writes on climate change, energy, air pollution, water policy, and the politics of regulation in the developing world.</p>	<p>India's climate mitigation policies and strategies   <b>7 – 7.20 pm IST</b></p>

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<p><b>Harry Fischer</b></p> <p>Senior Lecturer and Associate Professor at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences. His research looks at local democracy, forest restoration, and climate adaptation. He is a member of the advisory council of FOCALI, the Forest Climate Livelihoods Network of Sweden. He previously held positions at the Indian School of Business, La Trobe University, and the University of Melbourne. He holds a PhD in Human geography from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign.</p>	<p>Tree planting histories and prospects for more just forest and landscape restoration</p> <p><b>7.20 – 7.40 pm IST</b></p>
<p><b>Mahesh Rangarajan</b></p> <p>Professor of Environmental studies and History. He was educated at Hindu College, University of Delhi and then at Balliol and Nuffield Colleges, both in Oxford, where he has been a Rhodes Scholar</p>	<p>Why uncommon pasts matter to climate change futures: Asia and the 21st century world</p> <p><b>7.40 – 8 pm IST</b></p>
<p><i><b>Audience Q &amp; A 8 – 8.10 pm IST</b></i></p>	
<p><b>BREAK 8.10 – 8.15 pm IST</b></p>	
<p><b>SESSION 3.</b></p>	
<p>Panel discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</p>	<p><b>8.15 pm –8.55pm IST</b></p>
<p>Meghna Agarwala</p>	<p>Closing Remarks</p>