




## Pune Knowledge Cluster Presents SUST-EN Series

### Title - Initiating Sustainable ESG journeys of Corporates

<b>Organized By</b>	Pune Knowledge Cluster (PKC)
<b>Date</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> August 2022
<b>Time</b>	4 PM to 5 PM (The event will be conducted on zoom platform)
<b>About PKC's SUST-EN Series</b>	PKC's sustainability and environmental initiatives are focused on making Pune resilient in terms of food, water, and livelihood. Achievement of this goal requires increasing vegetation cover, which other than food, water, and livelihood security can also help in climate change mitigation. This also helps in multiple other ways such as increased carbon storage, reduced emissions of GHGs, and support industries. PKCs Sust-En series consists of public talks, focused group discussions, and workshops with experts in the environment and sustainability space. Through this series, we aim to promote collaborations, co-creation of technologies, and conceptualization of city-scale projects to solve key issues related to carbon emissions, wastewater treatment, improving air quality, and green energy production.
<b>Abstract</b>	Environmental Social Governance (ESG) is becoming a topic of real importance for corporates like never before. ESG systems give a methodical framework to corporates to reduce business sustainability-related risks using outside-in and inside-out approaches on different materiality issues that rises through the company's activities and decisions. Recent legal and societal mandates building around ESG are creating a strong push for these non-financial disclosures. However, sustainability of these in itself by having awareness of all involved stakeholders is crucial. The speaker will shed light on how ESG journeys are designed by corporates, their importance, practical sustainability of ESG practices and the way forward.
<b>Speaker</b>	Mr. Mandar Kulkarni, Senior Manager-Sustainability, Praj Industries
<b>Registration Link:</b>	Link - <a href="https://forms.gle/XoPtAT4EuagHnPsg6">https://forms.gle/XoPtAT4EuagHnPsg6</a>  QR Code:
<b>Number of Seats</b>	The talk is free and is open to all.



**About the speaker:**

Mr. Mandar Kulkarni is a Certified Sustainability practitioner by Global Reporting Initiative. He is also a certified CSR practitioner by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and has completed a course in Public Policy Economics from University of Oxford. He is an internal auditor of ISO2600:2010 (CSR) and has completed his certification in Health Impacts of Climate Change from HarvardX and Sustainability in the Indian Context from Azim Premji University. He is presently working as Senior Manager-Sustainability at Praj Industries and has worked as Manager-CSR at Mercedes-Benz India for 7 years. He is passionate about bringing systematic approaches in addressing Sustainability and CSR issues in corporates, NGOs, Start-ups. His core expertise involves need and impact assessments of programs and developing monitoring, evaluation and reporting matrices.



**About the organizer:**

The Pune Knowledge Cluster (PKC) has been established by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India. The aim is to bring together academia, R&D institutions and the industry of Pune and its surrounding areas, to address the challenging problems of the region through innovative means, using scientific knowledge and engaging highly skilled human resources. Furthermore, PKC aims to foster capacity building and promote skills development and entrepreneurship among the students and professionals of the city. All relevant organizations and experts will be partners and consulted to identify sustainable solutions to the problems of the city and improve its liveability and prosperity. While the PKC is administered by the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA), it is a project of and for the whole city. In the initial phase, PKC would focus on air, water, health, and sustainable mobility. For more information, visit: <https://www.pkc.org.in/>



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