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**International Symposium** 

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## Sustainable Communities for a Sustainable Future

On-site Reception Hall, International Exchange Building, National Olympics Memorial Youth Center (Yoyogi Kamizono-cho, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 151-0052)

Language English and Japanese (Simultaneous interpretation)

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Speech

## Fostering Sustainable Communities: Integrating ESD Perspectives and Local Action for Global Impact

Kartikeya V. Sarabhai

Founder Director, Centre for Environment Education (CEE)

Biography Kartikeya Vikram Sarabhai is the Founder Director of the Centre for Environment Education (CEE). As one of the world's leading figures in education, he is associated with a number of educational and charitable trusts, several committees set up by the Government of India and other national and international organizations in the fields of environment, wildlife protection, culture and education. He served as a member of the UNESCO Reference Group for the UN Decade for Education for Sustainable Development as well as Chair of UNESCO Global Action



Programme	
17:30-18:00	Reception/ Participants to enter the event hall
18:00-18:10	Opening Ceremony  Opening Remarks  Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)  Mr. Oyasu Kiichi / Director, Education Cooperation Department  Asia-Pacific Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU)
18:10-18:30	Keynote Speech  Fostering Sustainable Communities: Integrating ESD Perspectives and Local Action for Global Impact  Mr. Kartikeya V. Sarabhai / Founder Director, Centre for Environment Education (CEE)
18:30-18:45	Case Study Presentation 1  Heritage for the Future Project: Preserving the Community's Traditional Culture and Natural Heritage for Future Generations  Mr. Noguchi Noboru / Advisor and former President, National Federation of UNESCO Associations in Japan (NFUAJ); former UNESCO staff member
18:45-19:00	Case Study Presentation 2  Sustainable Development of Coastal Community and Building Healthy Relationship with Oceans: The Case of Ranong Biosphere Reserve in Thailand  Mr. Khayai Thongnunui / Manager of Ranong Biosphere Reserve
19:00-19:25	Panel Discussion  Moderator: Ms. Jonghwi Park / Academic Programme Officer, the United Nations University Institute for Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS) Panellists (in order of appearance): Mr. Kartikeya V. Sarabhai (CEE) Mr. Noguchi Noboru (NFUAJ) Mr. Khayai Thongnunui (Ranong Biosphere Reserve)
19:25-19:30	Closing Ceremony Wrap-up and Way Forward Mr. Oyasu Kiichi (ACCU)

Participants are free to engage in 1-to-1 discussions with the moderator and panellists for 15 minutes after the closing ceremony.











