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Kautilya Colloquy

2025

Theme
Navigating a VUCA World

About

The **Kautilya Colloquy 2025** is KSPP's flagship academic conference, designed to foster rigorous policy discourse while incorporating dynamic, interactive formats. This year's Colloquy will focus on two carefully selected cross-disciplinary themes, ensuring an in-depth exploration of contemporary policy challenges.

The event will feature three core components:

1. Panel Discussions – High-level dialogues featuring experts from academia, government, industry, and civil society, offering diverse perspectives on complex policy issues. Discussions will be structured to encourage critical debate and audience engagement.

2. Paper Presentations – A platform for researchers to present methodologically robust and policy-relevant studies. Selected through a rigorous review process, these papers will contribute to scholarly discourse and may be considered for publication.
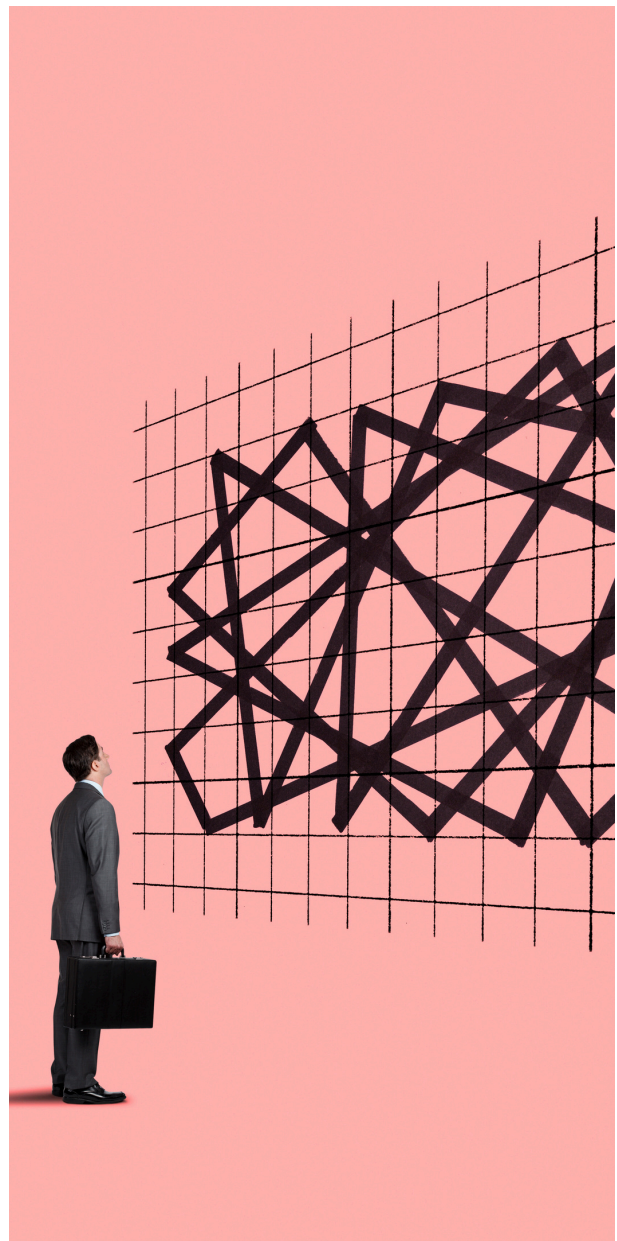
3. Policy Sprint – The Policy Sprint, conducted over three hybrid rounds, offers participants a dynamic platform to refine their policy formulation and communication skills. Designed as a competitive, solution-oriented exercise, this initiative enables teams to engage with real-world policy challenges through structured problem statements. Participants will benefit from consultations with key stakeholders and mentorship from leading policy experts, equipping them with strategic and analytical competencies essential for policymaking.

Navigating Through a VUCA World

In a world shaped by Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity, and Ambiguity (VUCA), traditional policy playbooks are no longer enough. Kautilya Colloquy 2025 brings together changemakers to rethink governance in this fast-shifting global landscape.

This year's theme—"Navigating Through a VUCA World"—invites policymakers, scholars, practitioners, and students to engage with the urgent realities of our time: technological disruption, geopolitical flux, climate instability, and public health crises.

As challenges grow more interconnected, so must our responses. From agile institutions and inclusive engagement to systems-based thinking, the Colloquy calls for policy approaches that are resilient, adaptive, and future-ready.
Go beyond the theoretical. Step into the real work of shaping policy that keeps pace with a world in motion.

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Paper Presentation

The paper presentation is a key segment of Kautilya Colloquy, aimed at encouraging scholarly contributions from students, academicians, and research scholars. It provides a platform for critical discourse and policy recommendations on diverse themes relevant to contemporary governance and policy making.

The event will feature 5 broad themes, each encompassing critical sub-themes, ensuring holistic discourse across various facets of public policy:

1   Economic Resilience and Financial Systems

2   Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Policies

3   Digital Governance and Artificial Intelligence

4   Geopolitics and the Global Order

5   Transforming Governance for Inclusive Societies

Policy Sprint

The Policy Sprint at Kautilya Colloquy 2025 challenges participants to craft interdisciplinary solutions at the intersection of technology, sustainability, and urban resilience. In this fast-paced, collaborative environment, teams will develop forward-thinking policy proposals that harness the power of AI, geospatial data, and digital transformation.

The goal? Scalable, actionable solutions to the most pressing challenges of urbanization and climate change—rooted in real-world needs and backed by emerging tech.

With guidance from leading experts and organizations, this Sprint empowers future policy leaders to shape smarter, stronger, and more sustainable cities for tomorrow's world.

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