

NINTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE on ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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The **Ninth Biennial Conference on Entrepreneurship** bears testimony to the Institute's pursuit of excellence and clear contribution to entrepreneurship education and training within India and abroad, especially in South East Asian Countries. As India's leading Institute of entrepreneurship education and research, **EDI** invites researchers, educators and practitioners in the field of entrepreneurship to participate in and contribute to the **Ninth Biennial Conference on Entrepreneurship** to be held during **February 16-18, 2011** at EDI Campus, Ahmedabad.

OBJECTIVE

Consonant with eight biennial conferences over the past 16 years, the **Ninth Biennial Conference on Entrepreneurship** continues to be an established forum for researchers, educators and practitioners to share their ideas and research results with other researchers and thinkers in the field, interchange feedback and sharpen their own ideas.



*Dr. C. Rangarajan, Hon'ble Member of Parliament; Chairman, Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council addressing the delegates of Eighth Biennial Conference as **Chief Guest**. Also seen are (R-L) Dr. Dinesh Awasthi, Director-EDI and Prof. Sasi Misra, Institute Professor & Conference Chair-EDI.*

CONFERENCE THEMES AND FOCUS AREAS

Perspectives and conceptually grounded papers are invited to promote and advance our understanding of entrepreneurship theory and research in the following indicative areas:

- Entrepreneurship in the SME Sector
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Institution Building
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Team Entrepreneurship
- Gender and Entrepreneurship
- Sectoral Entrepreneurship
- Intrapreneurship
- (e.g. Agripreneurship, Edupreneurship, Ecopreneurship, etc.)
- Trans-generational Entrepreneurship

We also welcome contributions beyond the above mentioned areas within the purview of entrepreneurship. Please send your contributions to conference@ediindia.org

SUBMISSION DEADLINES

- An *Abstract* (about 200 words) should be submitted through email by **November 15, 2010**.
- An electronic version (MS Word) of the full paper should be submitted by **December 17, 2010**. Full papers (less than 4000 words, typed double space) must adhere to formatting and referencing guidelines of academic/professional journals.
- Acceptance decisions on papers will be intimated by **January 10, 2011**.

CONFERENCE FEE

Paper Presenters / Authors:

- Local hospitality, including lodging (non-AC, twin sharing basis) for one presenter per paper shall be borne by EDI.
- Limited travel support may be extended to contributors who are research / Ph.D. scholars, not in employment, and not supported by their institutes/universities. Eligible candidates may apply for such support to Coordinator of the Conference.

Other Delegates:

- Delegates and co-authors of papers wishing to attend and participate in the conference shall pay ₹ 2000/- per delegate which includes conference package, meals, refreshments and accommodation for three nights. Fee is to be paid before **January 31, 2011** by a DD drawn in favour of **Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India**, payable at Ahmedabad and should be mailed to Mr. B. Ganapathi, Coordinator, Ninth Biennial Conference, EDI, PO Bhat 382 428, Dist. Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

CENTRE FOR RESEARCH IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT (CREED):

CREED was set up at the Institute in 1997 to provide an identifiable thrust to the entrepreneurship development movement and act as a central link between theory and practice in the field. The Centre networks among researchers and institutions by encouraging inquiries into emergence and growth of entrepreneurship as a discipline. CREED promotes research activities, provides funding and academic support through short-term research fellowships and organizes lecture series by inviting eminent scholars. *The Journal of Entrepreneurship*, published under the auspices of CREED, has established itself as an important refereed journal in the field. The Centre supports biennial conferences on Entrepreneurship providing a platform for researchers, academics, planners, and policy-makers to share their work, ideas and concerns for entrepreneurship development.



Mrs. & Dr. C. Rangarajan seen with (L-R) Dr. Sasi Misra, Conference Chair-EDI, Dr. Dinesh Awasthi

THE INSTITUTE

A "National Resource Organisation" in Entrepreneurship Education, Research & Training

Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDI), an autonomous and not-for-profit institute, set up in 1983, is promoted by apex financial institutions, the IDBI Bank Ltd., ICICI Bank Ltd., IFCI Ltd. and State Bank of India (SBI), with active support from the Government of Gujarat.



EDI's pioneering activities in entrepreneurship development have established that people from all walks of life can become business owners. It has demolished the myth that entrepreneurs are born, and cannot be made. Through well-conceived training interventions and capacity building activities over the last two & a half decades, EDI has equipped thousands of people with entrepreneurial skills. To pursue its mission further, EDI has helped set up twelve state-level exclusive entrepreneurship development centres and institutes.

Realising that education is an effective medium to reach out to a wider section of the society, Institute contributed in institutionalising entrepreneurship in business education. EDI also conducts a variety of programmes around thrust areas such as; Entrepreneurship Education, Micro Enterprises, Micro Finance and Sustainable Livelihood, SMEs & Business Development Services, Social Entrepreneurship, Cluster Development and Women Entrepreneurship.

The Institute has also successfully carried out the prestigious task assigned by the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, to set up Entrepreneurship Development Centres in Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Vietnam. The Institute is presently working on establishing ED centres in Uzbekistan & Kazakhstan.

In recognition of its international achievements, the United Nations Economic & Social Commission for Asia and Pacific (ESCAP), Bangkok, Thailand, has declared EDI as a Centre of Excellence.





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