Entrepreneurship conference begins in Ahmedabad, 18 countries take part

AHMEDABAD: The three-day 11th biennial conference on entrepreneurship began at Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDI) where 114 papers will be presented, including those from 18 different countries. The conference was inaugurated by eminent business historian Dwijendra Tripathi, who is also the Kasturbhai Lalbhai Chair Professor of Business History and Entrepreneurship (Emeritus), IIM-Ahmedabad. "One of the most exciting developments of the last two decades has been the increasing number of young persons moving away from salaried jobs and taking to self-employment and the increasing number of management graduates setting up their own enterprises disregarding the risks involved," Tripathi said. "The entry of women in the realm of self-employment is a new phenomenon. Equally exciting is the rise of NGOs, focusing on laudable social causes," he added. Experts from Algeria, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Germany, Indonesia, Jordan, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Poland, Serbia, Sultanate of Oman, Sweden, UK, USA, Uzbekistan and Zimbabwe are part of the event.