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**PANEL TITLE:
CONTRIBUTION OF CRAFT TOWARDS CREATIVE LIFESTYLE AND
SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY**

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ABSTRACT

Crafts have been an integral part of every civilization throughout history. Every community has traditional, folk, and material culture-related crafts. India is a nation of many cultures, communities, etc. that has a wealth of handicrafts. The impact of globalisation, mechanisation, and modernisation on people's lives has resulted in the evolution of various crafts and craft forms. Younger generations in numerous societies have realised that the deterioration of traditional material culture and crafts has rising environmental and social repercussions. The traditional handicraft and material culture have also attracted international tourists, visitors, and researchers. There is a focus on " roots ". The current generation wants both modernisation and preservation of its heritage, including certain lifestyles and practises. Many places also serve as melting pots where ethnic influence and the growth of artistic expressions may be seen. This panel seeks papers that examine how crafts contribute to a creative lifestyle, how their forms have developed, how they have been maintained in the past and present, and how they contribute to sustainable societies.

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