## **ABOUT THE BOOK**

In 2014 a conference was held in BITS Pilani Hyderabad Campus as an attempt at bringing together policymakers, researchers and practitioners not only to reframe questions but also to think of novel solutions for sustainability in the areas of agriculture, human habitats and customary law in contrast to the modern legal framework. Titled *Technology Policy Community: Small Experiments in Sustainability*, the conference engaged with eminent academicians, civil society activists and policy makers on three major themes: Agriculture and Environment; Habitats and Environment Policy; and Law and Environment Policy.

The findings of the conference could be grouped into two categories; the academic research of the technical sessions and the intellectual capital of the panel discussions. Our attempt here is to bring these findings out in two volumes. The first *Small Experiments in Sustainability* contains research papers specifically dealing with the technical and policy aspects of sustainability. The second volume titled *Conversations on Sustainability* takes a more macro perspective on issues of sustainable agriculture, industry, indigenous communities, law and administration providing insight and direction to scholars, practitioners and the lay person alike.

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