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Executive summary

Shaurya Ritwik advises on sustainable finance and emerging markets strategy, with a focus on India, Southeast Asia, the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and the wider Global South. His work examines how capital is priced, structured and governed as economies decarbonise, with particular depth in transition finance, industrial decarbonisation, energy sovereignty and carbon markets.

Over more than a decade, he has advised governments, development finance institutions and Fortune 500 companies on decisions shaping capital allocation and long-term institutional positioning. His practice spans sustainable finance architecture, energy transition policy, market entry and cross-border strategy. He has also consulted on Asian Development Bank-funded programmes across Southeast Asia, addressing the policy and financial dimensions of the energy transition.

He is Founder and Managing Director of the International Institute for Sustainable Finance (IISF), Executive Director of the Sustainable Capital Research Foundation (SCRF) and Strategic Director of the Solar Futures Alliance. He also serves as an expert with the Sunrise Community of Practice at the International Solar Alliance (ISA). As a Professor of Practice in strategy and sustainable finance, he lectures at universities and professional education platforms across India, Southeast Asia and Africa. He is the author of *The Signal Economy*, which argues that sustainability frameworks have widened the gap between commitment and outcome by design: when institutions are rewarded for signals rather than results, capital follows the signal.

He is an alumnus of the Asian Institute of Management, where he earned an MBA in Sustainable Finance and Business Analytics as a President's Scholar; Fudan University School of Management, where he completed executive education; and the University of Delhi, where he graduated with Honours in Philosophy with a minor in Economics.

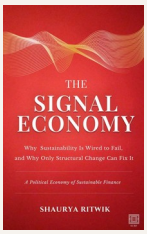
CURRENT APPOINTMENTS

Founder and Managing Director
International Institute for Sustainable Finance

Executive Director
Sustainable Capital Research Foundation

Strategic Director
Solar Futures Alliance

PUBLICATION



The Signal Economy

Why Sustainability Is Wired to Fail, and Why Only Structural Change Can Fix It

Sustainable Capital Research Foundation
Available at: **Amazon worldwide**

Core speaking pillars

Sustainable & Transition Finance Architecture

How should capital reach assets that are not yet green but must become so?

Frameworks that direct capital into hard-to-abate sectors and reward outcomes rather than signals.

- Transition taxonomies and transition plans
- Blended and concessional finance
- Disclosure, ratings and the limits of ESG

Energy Transition Strategy & Clean Infrastructure

What makes clean energy infrastructure bankable, secure and sovereign?

Clean infrastructure examined through project finance, offtake design and the geopolitics of supply chains.

- Solar, storage and hybrid system finance
- PPA structures and offtake risk
- Energy security and industrial policy

Emerging Markets Strategy & Institutional Design

What strategies and institutions does growth in the Global South require?

Business strategy and institutional design for markets where imported models travel poorly.

- Corporate strategy for Global South markets
- Institutional design and state capacity
- Development finance and the role of the state

Recent keynotes and featured engagements

Selected addresses to energy, finance and policy audiences across Asia and Africa, August 2025 to October 2026.

9 Oct 2026
Manila, Philippines
GUEST SPEAKER

Philippines Clean Energy Week 2026
Leadership Roundtable: Industrial Decarbonisation, Corporate Sustainability and Net-Zero Leadership

17 Sep 2026
Guangzhou, China
KEYNOTE

Global Energy Storage Summit
Financing Energy Sovereignty: Why Energy Storage Is Becoming a Strategic Asset in an Age of Geopolitical Volatility

16 Sep 2026
Guangzhou, China
INAUGURAL ADDRESS

11th World Battery and Energy Storage Industry Expo and Summit
Partnership Across Borders: Building a Resilient Energy Future

5 Jun 2026
New Delhi, India
GUEST PANELLIST

6th Edition of India's Virtual Legal Marathon on ESG
Dhir & Dhir Associates, on World Environment Day

9 Apr 2026
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
KEYNOTE

Solar & Storage Live Malaysia 2026, MITEC
Accelerate Carbon Reduction with Green Financing

27 Mar 2026
Johannesburg, South Africa
KEYNOTE

Solar & Storage Live Africa 2026
Beyond Backup: Designing Hybrid Systems That Cut Costs and Boost Uptime

26 Mar 2026
Johannesburg, South Africa
KEYNOTE

Solar & Storage Live Africa 2026
Solar with Soul: Building Utility Projects That Uplift Local Communities

25 Mar 2026
Bangkok, Thailand
KEYNOTE

ASEAN Smart Energy & Energy Storage Summit (ASEE 2026)
Financing the Solar Century: Capital, Policy, and Powering ASEAN's Transition

25 Mar 2026
Bangkok, Thailand
INAUGURAL SPEECH

ASEAN Smart Energy & Energy Storage Summit (ASEE 2026)
A World That Can No Longer Afford to Wait

24 Feb 2026
Manila, Philippines
KEYNOTE

ASEAN Climate Action Dialogue 2026, Asian Institute of Management
From Ambition to Architecture: Who Pays, How Much, and Through What?

24 Feb 2026
Manila, Philippines
PLENARY PANELLIST

ASEAN Climate Action Dialogue 2026, Plenary 3
Cross-Country Carbon Market Readiness & Interoperability

28 Jan 2026
Bangkok, Thailand
KEYNOTE

Solar & Storage Live Thailand
PPA Trends & Financing Structures: What Investors Expect in 2026

1 Aug 2025
Manila, Philippines
PANELLIST

Development Industry Dialogue, Asian Institute of Management
Innovating for Impact: The Future of Sustainable Finance in Asia-Pacific

> *Shaurya Ritwik accepts select engagements as keynote speaker, panellist and lecturer at policy forums, industry summits and academic institutions, alongside board briefings and executive masterclasses.*

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