

# Foreword

The Centre for Earth Studies, founded in 2016 by IP College, reflects its ongoing engagement with the state of our being and becoming, as inhabitants of Planet Earth. The Journal of Innovation for Inclusive Development has been envisaged as an integral part of the Centre's activities. Conceptualized by the colleagues of the Department of Environmental Studies, the objective of the Journal is to produce a confluence of thoughts and ideas as well as the best practices prevalent in individual and institutional systems which speak to us of sustainability. The first issue presented here consists of invited research contributions. The subsequent issues will carry peer-reviewed articles.

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