

Kailash CAFE 2.0

Sharing knowledge of a sacred landscape

The Kailash Consortium of Academics and Researchers for Experience-sharing

14–17 June 2022



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The Kailash Consortium of Academics and Researchers for Experience-sharing (Kailash CAFE) is a digital platform that brings together researchers working across multiple disciplines within the Kailash Sacred Landscape. The UN has declared 2022 as the [International Year of Sustainable Mountain Development](#). In line with this, Kailash CAFE 2.0 will highlight thematic topics related to mountain ecosystems and sustainable development of the Kailash Sacred Landscape. Special focus will be on the themes of regional cooperation, biocultural diversity, and post-pandemic recovery.

The first [Kailash CAFE](#) (20-23 April 2021) brought together more than one hundred people from ten countries. Researchers presented on the themes of landscapes and biodiversity, ecosystem services and sustainable livelihoods, culture and heritage, technology, and gender and governance. Some of the research presented were published in a special issue of the journal [Environmental Challenges](#).

Objectives

- Share research findings and knowledge from the Kailash Sacred Landscape to a wider audience
- Bring contemporary global perspectives into the Kailash Sacred Landscape
- Build capacity in science communication

Research sites

The Kailash CAFE 2.0 is open to all stakeholders working or residing in the Kailash Sacred Landscape. Technical presentations will be limited to research conducted in the landscape as an entity, or a combination of the following sites: Pulan County in the Tibet Autonomous Region of China; Pithoragarh District in Uttarakhand State, India; and Baitadi, Bajhang, Darchula and Humla districts of Nepal.

Background

The Kailash Sacred Landscape Conservation and Development Initiative (KSLCDI) promotes transboundary cooperation and sustainable development in the Kailash landscape. This landscape is spread over 31,000 sq.km across Pulan County of the Tibet Autonomous Region of China, Pithoragarh District of India, and four districts (Baitadi, Bajhang, Darchula and Humla) of western Nepal. The KSLCDI focuses on three components: transboundary cooperation, ecosystems management at scale, and resilient livelihoods.

Timeline

28 March 2022	Call for abstracts for oral presentations and lightning talks
06 May 2022	Deadline for abstract submission
20 May 2022	Notice of abstract acceptance
30 May 2022	Registration deadline for Kailash CAFE 2.0
14–17 June 2022	Kailash CAFE 2.0

Agenda (Tentative)

All timestamps are in Nepal Standard Time (NPT, UTC+05:45)

Tuesday and Thursday (10:00–13:00), Wednesday and Friday (14:00–17:00)

Day 1 - Tuesday, 14 June 2022 (10:00–13:00, NST)

Time (in NPT)	Programme
10:00–10:45	Kailash CAFE 2.0 opening
	Session I: Biocultural diversity
10:45–11:45	- 3 presentations (15 minutes each) - Q&A session - Closing by session moderator
11:45–11:50	Coffee break
	Session II: Regional cooperation
11:50–12:50	- 3 presentations (15 minutes each) - Q&A session - Closing by session moderator
12:50–13:00	Menu for Day 2
13:00	CAFE adjourns for the day

Day 2: Wednesday, 15 June 2022 (14:00–17:00, NST)

14:00–14:10	Kailash CAFE 2.0 re-opens
	Session III: Resilient livelihoods and post-pandemic recovery
14:10–15:25	- 3 presentations (15 minutes each) - Q&A session - Closing by session moderator
15:25–15:35	Coffee break
15:35–16:40	Session IV: Lightning talks
16:40–17:00	Feedback on Days 1 and 2 Menu for Day 3
17:00	CAFE adjourns for the day

Day 3: Thursday, 16 June 2022 (10:00–13:00, NST)

10:00–10:10	Kailash CAFE 2.0 re-opens
	Session V: Landscape and ecosystem services
10:10–11:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 presentations (15 minutes each)- Q&A session- Closing by session moderator
11:25–11:35	Coffee break
	Session VI: Climate change
11:35–12:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 presentations (15 minutes each)- Q&A session- Closing by session moderator
12:50–13:00	Feedback on Day 3 Menu for Day 4
13:00	CAFE adjourns for the day

Day 4: Friday, 17 June 2022 (14:00–17:00, NST)

14:00–14:10	Kailash CAFE 2.0 re-opens
	Session VII: Gender and social inclusion
14:10–15:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 presentations (15 minutes each)- Q&A session- Closing by session moderator
15:25–15:35	Coffee break
15:35–16:30	Session VIII: Communicating science
16:30–17:00	Closing session
17:00	CAFE adjourns for 2022

