

Professor Niraj Kumar's biography:

Professor Niraj Kumar is the Head of Strategy, Operations and Entrepreneurship (SOE) group and a Professor of Operations and supply chain management at Essex Business School (EBS), University of Essex in UK. Prior to Essex, he has held academic positions at several institutions in UK (Universities of Liverpool, Sheffield and Bath), and in Hong Kong (University of Hong Kong).

His research interests are primarily in the areas of sustainable operations and supply chain, agri-food supply chain and intelligent decision support systems. Having more than hundred publications in reputed international journals and conferences, he has developed extensive collaborations with industry and policymakers to conduct impactful research. He led and contributed to several research projects (value more than £2m), funded by Horizon 2020, Innovate UK, Newton Fund, British Academy, British Council and UKIERI. Some of his publications attracted extensive attentions from academics and practitioners, resulting in high citation index. He is the recipient of the Tom Lupton's Best Paper Award and has been recognised among 'Top 25 most cited authors' in prestigious international journals like IJPR and TRE. He also serves on the Editorial review board of reputed journals like IJOPM, Foods and Sustainability, and contributed as the scientific committee member and session chair on several international conferences worldwide. He has also been invited as keynote speakers for many international workshops focussed on disseminating knowledge to practitioners and researchers. Further, some of his research findings have been featured in digital and print media such as BBC radio, Telegraph, The Star, TransReporter, Logistics Times among others.

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