IIT GANDHINAGAR

CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY LIBRARIES

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

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WELCOME TO CLSTL 2019!

Libraries all around the world are undergoing a major change and transforming themselves as creative places offering new approaches to learning, knowledge generation and sharing as well as dissemination of information. Libraries which are part of science and technology academic Institutions, research and development organizations, industries and other institutions known for delivering latest information, are leading this change and are quickly adapting to the new ecosystem.

During the last few years, higher education sector within India and outside, particularly in Science & Technology, has seen major developments. Increasingly, more emphasis has been given on improving quality in teaching, learning and research productivity. Equally, the focus has been on innovation, incubation, capacity building, collaboration between industry and academic Institutions in India. A national initiative to setup Incubation and Innovation Centers, Research Parks, Start-up support systems and other similar activities on academic campuses has been announced. Along with it, the increase in research output and its impact on society is gaining due attention. All these and many more developments have increased expectations from the libraries in their respective institutions. Considering these developments, Libraries in Institutes of Science, Technology and allied areas, have been striving to be relevant and play a meaningful role by realigning their mission with that of the parent institution. It is in this context, libraries in these institutions are redefining their collection development policies, resource sharing mechanisms, new services and reconfiguring their space, using the opportunities offered by newer technologies. They are also garnering support for scholarly communication related activities and at the same time are working continuously to up-keep the skills of their personnel.

To understand and navigate successfully through these developments and collectively address some of the challenges, IIT Gandhinagar had organized an international conference on the theme “Changing Landscape of Science & Technology Libraries (CLSTL 2017)”. Having organized the first conference successfully and considering the feedback of the speakers and participants both from India and abroad, we are now organising the 2nd International Conference, CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY LIBRARIES (CLSTL 2019) to be held at Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar from February 28 – March 02, 2019.

OBJECTIVES
The major objectives of this conference are:

- To bring together library professionals and researchers from India and abroad to exchange their innovative ideas, new initiatives, experiences, research work, best practices etc.
- To understand as to how the Science & Technology (S & T) libraries are transforming themselves in the midst of rapid technological developments.
- To share and discuss different set of library services offered to support the academic and research work at the parent institutions.
- To learn innovative management strategies, emerging tools & technologies used to create and deliver research support services.
- To discuss current issues, recent developments and their impact, and future challenges to prepare science and technology libraries for the future.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE OF THE CONFERENCE

DAY 1: Registration, Inaugural address, Keynote address, Invited presentations by eminent professionals, Theme based presentations, Selected Product Presentations, Cultural Program & Conference Dinner.

DAY 2: Invited presentations by eminent professionals, Theme based presentations, Poster presentations, Panel discussions, 2-4 Workshops in emerging areas of interest, Selected Product Presentations & Conference Dinner.

DAY 3: Invited presentations by eminent professionals, Theme based presentations, Selected Product Presentations, Concluding Session & high tea.

Effort will be made to make the conference fruitful, memorable and worth the time and money.
TARGET AUDIENCE

• Library Professionals from science & technology institutions, research organizations and industries.
• Teachers and Researchers in LIS field having interest in science & technology librarianship.
• Library professionals working in library networks, consortia and interested in open access, open data science, offering technology solutions to libraries.
• Publishers, Information intermediates and vendors.
• Information technology managers, educationists, policy makers and others interested in the theme of the conference.

THEMES

• Higher Education, Innovation and Research
• Managing Changes in S & T Libraries
• Library Spaces, Collections & Collaborations
• User Engagement with Libraries
• Achieving Excellence in Library Services
• Scholarly Communication & Library Services
• Trends in Open Science, Open Access & Predatory Publishing
• E-Research Support Infrastructures, Research Data Management
• Technology Trends for S & T Libraries
• Demonstrating value of libraries in academic & research work
• Future of Science & Technology Libraries & Librarianship

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

As the conference will focus on S & T Libraries, we will have invited talks, expert presentations on the theme and themes. These talks, presentations will focus on practical aspects and innovative work being carried out, new services introduced, innovative research work done, technologies implemented, best practices and case studies highlighting different aspects of S & T libraries.

In addition, few selected presentations focusing mainly on practical aspects, best practices and successful implementation of services will be encouraged. We invite you to submit a brief proposal/abstract of the proposed presentation on the theme Changing Landscape of Science & Technology Libraries and on any of the following themes of the conference. The abstract should be sent as a word file and should have appropriate Title, Name of the Author(s), Author affiliation/s, Communication details, Summary (not more than 250 words) and keywords.

Professionals whose proposals are selected (based on their relevance to the conference, theme, clarity, quality, originality and timeliness) for presentation will be requested to submit a soft-copy of the Presentation slides in MS-PPT. Intimation about the final acceptance of the presentation and inclusion in the schedule for presentation will be communicated to respective presenter(s). There will be an award for the best presentations adjudged by the participants.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATION

• All proposals/abstracts submitted should be in English and must be based on the original work carried out by the presenter and have not been published or presented before.
• Each presentation of the proposal/abstract should be limited to 20 slides.
• Each presenter will be given only 10 minutes to articulate, highlight and present core of their proposal.
• Presenters of accepted presentation must register and attend the conference.
• Abstracts and Power Point presentations will be published on the Conference website.
• If the presentations have any special technical requirements, organizers should be informed in advance.

IMPORTANT DATES

PRESENTATIONS

• Deadline for submitting proposal/abstract: December 15, 2018
• Deadline for notifying acceptance of proposal to presenter: December 31, 2018
• Deadline for submission of final Power Point slides for presentation: January 31, 2019

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION STARTS: December 31, 2018
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: January 31, 2019

CONFERENCE DATES

FEBRUARY 28 – MARCH 02, 2019 (Thursday - Saturday)

PROCEEDINGS

Post the conference, the organizing committee is proposing to bring out, in collaboration with a reputed publisher, the conference proceedings based on the invited talks delivered and of those papers which will be the outcome of the best presentations done in the conference. These will be reviewed and edited by a panel of internationally known experts in the respective areas. Authors of the selected presentations will be approached (post conference) for submitting full papers to the conference proceedings.

WORKSHOPS

Two to Four half day workshops in the emerging area of Library & Information Science will be conducted by experts. For more details please visit the conference website. EVENTS.IITGN.AC.IN/2019/CLSTL/
**REGISTRATION FEE**
Registration fee includes conference kit, lunch, tea, coffee, snacks served during all days (February 28 – March 02, 2019) of the conference.

**REGISTRATION FEE FOR INDIAN DELEGATES:** INR 4500.00  
**REGISTRATION FEE FOR FOREIGN DELEGATES:** USD 120.00  

**ACCOMMODATION**
Accommodation in nearby guest houses and hotels at specially negotiated rates has been arranged on payment basis. List of guest houses/hotels have been given on the website. Participants are requested to make reservations and pay for the same directly and keep the organisers informed.

**CONVEYANCE**
Arrangements will be made to pick-up and drop the participants from these hotels/guest houses to the venue on all three days of the conference. Delegates have to make their own arrangements for reaching or returning from the hotels/guest houses from & to Airports, Railway Stations and Bus Stands etc.

**COMMITTEES**

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**IIT GANDHINAGAR**
Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar was founded in 2008 and is located in Palaj, Gandhinagar, Gujarat on bank of the river Sabarmati. It is one of the 23 IITs set up by the Government of India (MHRD) as an Institute of national importance. Gandhinagar is in proximity to Ahmedabad which is one of the oldest cities in India. Institute strives to offer the best undergraduate and graduate education in India with unmatched innovations in curriculum in Biological Engineering, Chemical, Civil, Computer Science, Electrical, Mechanical and Materials Science and Engineering, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Cognitive Science. It also offers MA programme in Society and Culture. PhD programmes are offered in all the Engineering, Science disciplines and in Literature, Philosophy, Psychology, Sociology, Political Science and Social Epidemiology. IIT Gandhinagar is committed to promoting excellence in science, technology, as well as the humanities and social sciences and to the development of rounded and nuanced minds. (Read more www.iitgn.ac.in)

**IIT GANDHINAGAR LIBRARY**
Library at IIT Gandhinagar is a window to the world of latest information in sciences, engineering, technology, humanities & social sciences. Being an integral part of academic and research work on the campus, it provides library and information services to support the teaching, learning, and research activities of the institute by creating state-of-the-art facilities and offering innovative services. The library has a fast growing collection of books, journals, magazines both in print and digital format. Most of the in-house services of the library are fully computerized and provides access to many core subscribed and open access resources. (Read more www.iitgn.ac.in/library.htm)

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