



CLSTL 2017

**International Conference on
Changing Landscape of Science & Technology Libraries**

2-4 March, 2017

**Organised by
Library**

Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar

Web: <http://events.iitgn.ac.in/2017/CLSTL>

Introduction

In the last few years, higher education sector, particularly in Science & Technology, has seen major developments. Increasingly, more emphasis has been given for improving quality in teaching, learning and research productivity. Equally, the focus has been on innovation, incubation, capacity building, collaboration between industry and academic Institutions within and outside India. National initiative to setup Incubation and Innovation Centers, Research Parks, Skill Development Centers, Startup support systems and other similar activities on academic campuses has been announced. All these developments have increased expectations from the libraries in their respective institutions. This has resulted in Libraries in Institutes of Science, Technology and allied areas, working hard to make themselves relevant and play a meaningful role by realigning their mission with that of the parent institution. Now, libraries in these Institutions are redefining, their collection development policies, and resource sharing mechanisms, new services and reconfiguring their space. They are also garnering support for scholarly communication related activities and at the same time 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 faced, this conference on **“Changing Landscape of Science & Technology Libraries”** at Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar from 2-4 March, 2017 is being organized.

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 Science & Technology (S & T) libraries are transforming themselves amid rapid technology 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, tools & technologies used to create and deliver research support services.
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Program Structure of the Conference

Day 1: Registration, Inaugural address, Keynote address, invited presentations by eminent professionals, Theme based presentations, Select Product Presentations, Cultural Program & Conference Dinner.

Day 2: Invited presentations by eminent professionals, Theme based presentations, Half Day Workshop on ‘Research Data Management’, Select Product Presentations & Conference Dinner.

Day 3: Invited presentations by eminent professionals, Theme based presentations, Panel discussion, Select Product Presentations, Concluding Session & Conference Dinner.

Target Audience

- Library Professionals working in Science & Technology Institutions, Research Organizations and Industries.
- Publishers, Information intermediaries and vendors.
- Information technology managers, educationists, policy makers and others interested in the theme of the conference.

Important Dates

Presentation

Deadline for submitting proposal/abstract: **16th January, 2017**

Deadline for notifying acceptance of proposal to Presenter: **23rd January, 2017**

Deadline for submission of final Power Point slides for Presentation: **15th February, 2017**

Registration

Registration starting from : **2nd January, 2017**

Final registration deadline: **15th February, 2017**

Call for Presentations

As the conference will focus on S & T Libraries, we have invited expert presentations on the theme and subthemes. These presentations will focus on practical aspects and innovative work being carried out, new services introduced, innovative research work, 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 subthemes of the conference. Professionals whose proposals are selected (based on their relevance to the conference, subtheme, clarity, quality, originality and timeliness) for presentation, will be requested to submit a softcopy of the Presentation slides in Microsoft-PowerPoint (.ppt/.pptx) format. 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 presentation adjudged by the participants.

Sub-themes

- Higher Education, Research & Innovation in Science & Technology
- Managing Change in Science & Technology Libraries
- Library Collections & Collaborations
- Library Spaces: Library as a Place & Space
- Technology Trends for S & T Libraries
- Demonstrating Value of Libraries in Academic & Research work
- Future of Science & Technology Libraries & Librarianship

For detailed topics under each sub-theme and instructions for presentation, please refer to the conference website.

Registration Fee

Registration fee includes conference kit, lunch, tea, coffee, snacks served during all three days (i.e. 2 – 4 March) of the conference;

- Registration Fee: Indian delegates: INR 3500.00 (including tax)
- Registration Fee: Foreign delegates: USD 100.00(including tax)

Fee for the Accommodation will be charged separately, depending on the type of accommodation available and opted by the participant.

Accommodation Charges

Accommodation in nearby guest houses and hotels at specially negotiated rates has been arranged on payment basis. For the details, please visit the conference website. The payment towards the accommodation along with registration fee has to be paid as a single cheque/electronic transfer as specified in the registration form.

Conveyance to & from the Venue

Arrangements will be made to pick up and drop participants from the hotel/guest house to the venue on all the days of the conference. Delegates must make their own arrangements for reaching to and returning from the hotel/guest houses from & to Airports, railway stations, bus stands etc.

About the Organizing Institution

IIT Gandhinagar

Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar was founded in 2008 and is located in Palaj, Gandhinagar, Gujarat on the banks of river Sabarmati. It is one of the 23 IITs set up by Government of India (MHRD) as an Institute of national importance. Gandhinagar is in proximity to Ahmedabad which is one of the oldest living cities in India. The Institute strives to offer the best undergraduate and graduate education in India with unmatched innovations in curriculum in Chemical, Civil, Computer Science, Electrical, Mechanical and Materials Science and Engineering, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Cognitive Science. It also offers M.A. programme in Society and Culture. Ph.D. 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 <http://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 <http://www.iitgn.ac.in/library.htm>)

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