



National Conference on Digital Libraries, Library Automation, and Open CourseWare: Issues and Best Practices

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About the Department - MyDLIS

The Department of Studies in Library and Information Science is a UGC-SAP (DRS II) supported Department, only the second in the southern part of India in LIS to achieve this distinction. After successfully completing the first phase under UGC-SAP, the UGC sanctioned the status of DRS II with the three themes Digital Library, Library Automation and OpenCourseWare with a munificent grant.

Being only the second Library and Information Science (LIS) Department to be established in the state of Karnataka, the Department has completed fifty years recently. With the support of the University, it celebrated the golden jubilee year that culminated in a grandeur event held during 18-20 June 2015. During fifty years, the Department's achievements are noteworthy. It has established itself as one of the Departments which has a proven record in providing the quality LIS education in the country. Its syllabus is trend setting in India and on par with international standards. The Vidyanidhi, a database of Indian electronic theses and dissertations, is the well acclaimed national digital library. The staff of the Department has contributed research papers in many leading journals and conferences. The major areas of research are User Studies, Digital Libraries, Library Automation, Information Seeking, Bibliometrics and so on. More than 85 professionals have obtained their Ph.D. degrees in the Department. During the Golden Jubilee its alumni came together to form MILAN – Mysore University Information and Library Science Alumni Network – to extend a helping hand to the future activities of the Department.

About Mysuru

Mysuru is a city of gardens. It is a heritage city with a lot of visiting places in and around. Mysuru has been a place of attraction for tourists. Known as a cleanest city of India, Mysuru is an educational hub of Karnataka and a cultural capital.

The National Conference

The Department is known for having conducted successfully many Conferences/ Seminars/Workshops, which includes two international conferences in the international series called ICADL. Taking cognizance of expertise obtained by the Department, the UGC has accepted the proposal to conduct Conferences/ Seminars/Workshops every year during the DRS II phase. A portion of the fund under the DRS II scheme is sanctioned for organizing such events.

The Department proposes to organize a National Conference Series under the title "Digital Libraries, Library Automation and OpenCourseWare: Issues and Best Practices". The second event in the series is contemplated to be held during November 10-11, 2017. The details of the National Conference are given below:

Theme of the Conference: "Digital Libraries, Library Automation, and OpenCourseWare: Issues and Best Practices"

Sub-themes: Research articles can be contributed on the following sub-themes:

Library Automation

- Best practices in the library automation projects
- Issues faced in automating the libraries
- Library automation standards and issues related to their compliance
- Library automation software
- Managing library automation
- Cloud computing and library automation

Digital Libraries

- Best practices in developing digital libraries and institutional repositories
- Standards, Protocols, and Models
- Technical infrastructure: Software, Hardware, and Networking
- Digitization process
- Case study of Digital libraries and Institutional repositories
- IPR, Digital Rights Management, and Digital Assets Management
- Digital preservation
- Retrieval, user interface and user behavior
- Funding issues
- Professional skills and competencies
- Professional ethics

OpenCourseWare (OCW)

- Developing OpenCourseWare
- Scholarly publishing
- Learning management systems
- Case studies in OCW
- MOOC platform
- Collaborative tools for learning
- Role of social media in open learning
- Open knowledge movement
- Trends in OCW
- Impact of LIS education, training, and research in the digital era

Intended Participants: The LIS Professionals, Alumni of the Department, Academics, Researchers, and Students.

Accommodation facility: The participants have to make their own arrangements for accommodation. However, the organizing committee may extend a helping hand in getting the accommodation on specific requests from the participants.

Duration of the Conference: It is a two-day national conference during **November 10-11, 2017**.

Paper Submission:

The National Conference encourages the following types of submission:

- Research papers containing the account/findings of the research carried out.
- Case studies
- Reports (Proposals for future research or Issues related to teaching)

Whom to submit/contact:

- The papers may be sent to mallinathk@yahoo.com before the due date.
- For all queries about the Conference including submission of papers, one may contact **Dr. Mallinath Kumbar**, Professor and Coordinator UGC-SAP DRS II, Department of Studies in Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, Manasagangotri, Mysuru 570006. Mobile: **9844355929**.

Review Process

- In the interest of quality, reliability and social relevance of the contributed papers, all the papers will be scrutinized for the originality of the content, citation style, plagiarism, and conformity to the standards set by the editorial committee of the conference.
- The main/corresponding author of the paper will get the feedback from the organizers about the status of the paper submitted.
- The invited and accepted contributed articles will be brought out as the conference proceedings.
- Papers of only those who register for the conference will be considered for inclusion in the conference proceedings.

Submission Date:

- The last date for submission is **October 20, 2017**.
- Intimation to the authors about the status of their paper will be given within 10 days of their submission of papers.

Format of the papers:

- Full research papers on any themes/sub-themes identified above will be accepted. The total length of the paper should not exceed 10 pages including figures, tables, and reference. Follow APA style for labeling figures, and tables, and also for references.
- The text of the papers should be in Times New Roman 12 point font with line spacing of 1.5.
- Case studies should not be more than 5 pages.

Conference Registration

- The registration fee for the conference is Rs. 1000=00. The registration fee includes lunch and beverages during the conference dates, pre-conference proceedings, and other conference materials. The registration fee for students and full-time research-fellows is Rs. 750=00 on production of bona fide student/researcher certificate from their respective Departments/Institutes. The amount may be paid directly at UGC SAP Office at the Department or may be paid through demand draft drawn in favour of The Coordinator, UGC-SAP DRS II, Department of Library and Information Science, University of Mysore, Manasagangotri, Mysuru – 06 payable at Mysuru.

Facility to the participants:

- A conference website will provide the guidance for the participants in all aspects related to the National Conference.
- The Conference Proceedings, Conference Folder/Kit, and other items required for the academic sessions are provided to each participant
- The participants will be extended the hospitality during the working hours of the Conference. The hospitality includes the morning and evening tea with snacks and lunch.
- The participants have to make their arrangements for the accommodation. The Conference Committee, however, will guide and provide information regarding the suitable accommodation facility available in the city of Mysuru.

Advisory Committee

- Prof. V.G. Talawar
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