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Multilingual
International Conference on
Inclusive and
Equitable Quality Education
to Stimulate Lifelong
Sustainable Learning Opportunities
for HEIs in India

under European Union ERASMUS+ Capacity Building Project, InEq-SL

# **Project Coordinator:**

Sarvajanik University, India

Date: 4-5 October 2024

(Hybrid Mode)

#### Venue:

Conference Hall, Sarvajanik University, Surat, India





















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# **Important Timelines**

Call for Abstract Opens Abstract Submission Deadline Paper Submission Deadline **Registration Opens Registration Closes** Conference Dates

6th May 2024

#### Extended to 31st May 2024

30<sup>™</sup> June 2024 31st July 2024 15th September 2024 4th-5th October 2024

#### **Email ID:**

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#### For more details:

https://scetarch.ac.in/InternationalConference.aspx https://eplus-ineqsl.com/

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# **About European Union's Erasmus+ Capacity Building Project InEq-SL:**

InEq-SL aims to increase the accessibility of higher education in India for the students with fewer opportunities. The project provides a framework for equity and inclusion in HEIs in India. It would also cater to the challenges for teaching and teachers, and to recommend policy measures for establishing higher education systems that are more equitable and more inclusive. By relying on digital technology and e-learning for vulnerable students, the project will develop a remote and inclusive learning pathway. Hence the aim of the project is "Fostering Inclusive and Equitable Quality Education to stimulate lifelong Sustainable Learning opportunities for HEIs in India."

The project is led by Sarvajanik University, India and have 2 European Universities and 3 Indian universities as partners as listed below:

- 1. Sarvajanik University, India (SU), (Project Coordinator)
- 2. Universidad Politécnica de Cartagena, Spain (UPCT), (Project Partner)
- 3. Riga Technical University, Latvia (RTU), (Project Partner)
- 4. Charutar Vidhya Mandal University, India (CVMU), (Project Partner)
- 5. Ganpat University, India (GUNI), (Project Partner)
- 6. D. Y. Patil College of Engineering & Technology, Kasaba Bawada, Kolhapur (DYPCET). (Project Partner)

# About the Host: Institute of Design, Planning & Technology – SCET and S.R. Luthra Institute of Management – Sarvajanik University:

**About Sarvajanik Education Society and Sarvajanik University:** Established in 1912, and registered under Society's Registration Act XXI OF 1860, Sarvajanik Education Society imparts high quality education in multiple disciplines to 33,000 students in 33 institutions from preprimary to Doctorate level.

Sarvajanik University was established by Sarvajanik Education Society in the year 2021. The Sarvajanik Education Society is a 112 year old, democratically run, philanthropic society serving the educational needs.

**About Institute of Design, Planning & Technology, SCET:** The AAERT & SSB, Faculty of Architecture (now known as Institute of Design, Planning & Technology, SCET) was



















established in 1995 as part of Gujarat's first self-financed college, Sarvajanik College of Engineering and Technology, Surat. The Faculty of Architecture is a leading institution imparting architectural education in Gujarat, India.

About S.R. Luthra Institute of Management: Smt. Shardarani Rameshchander Luthra Institute of Management (SRLIM) is a renowned management Institute providing quality management education through a 2-year full time MBA Programme. The foundation of the Institute was laid in the year 1999 with recognition from AICTE, New Delhi.

### Why This Conference?

An international conference that is multidisciplinary and multilingual on inclusive and equitable quality education to promote sustainable lifelong learning opportunities for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in India would be a noteworthy occasion, uniting global stakeholders to deliberate and exchange approaches on enhancing the accessibility, inclusivity, and fairness of higher education. A conference of this kind would ultimately aim to spark change towards more inclusive and equitable higher education systems across the globe. Participants can benefit from one another's knowledge and experiences by exchanging ideas and putting successful tactics into practice in their own nations or organisations. This helps the students as well as advance the creation of a more informed and equitable global society.

# **Objectives of the conference:**

- 1. **Promote Equity:** Focus on reducing disparities in higher education that affect marginalized groups based on ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status, disabilities, and more.
- 2. Enhance Inclusivity: Create environments where all students feel welcomed, respected, and valued, which includes curricular and pedagogical considerations.
- 3. Share Best Practices: Exchange successful policies, practices, and programs that have been effective in various contexts.
- 4. Foster Global Partnerships: Build collaborations across borders to support inclusive policies and practices in higher education.



















## A) Poster Competition

**Theme:** Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities

Size	Poster can be horizontal or vertical, measuring 8.5" x 11".	
Media	Only physical drawing and painting allowed. All posters must be original	
	art. No trademarked or copyrighted images or phrases should be used.	
Eligibility	Open to only registered Students Category.	
Participation Fee	250 INR for a team of 2	
Material and Paper	Paper will be provided in the conference. Team needs to bring your own	
	colours and other relevant materials.	
Time	1 hour	
Entry Limit	One per person or One per team	
Best Poster Award	Two awards (1st & 2nd Winner)	

## B) Suggested Themes for the Papers:

The conference will be accepting papers in broadly 5 different languages – English, Hindi, Gujarati, Marathi and Spanish. Following are a few suggested themes:

#### 1) Policy and Governance **Inclusion in Higher Education**

- Developing Inclusive Education Policies.
- Regulatory Frameworks to Support Equity and Access.
- Impact of National Education Policies on Inclusive Practices.

#### 2) Curricular **Innovations** for **Equity and Diversity**

- Integrating Multicultural Content into the Curriculum.
- Pedagogical Approaches to Support Diverse Learners.
- Curriculum as a Tool for Social Justice and Equity.

# 3) Technological Advancements in **Inclusive Education**

- Leveraging EdTech for Accessible Learning Environments.
- Digital Divide: Challenges and Solutions in Higher Education.

#### **Innovations** in Assistive Technologies for Students with Disabilities.

# 4) Professional Development for **Inclusive Teaching**

- Culturally Responsive Teaching Techniques.
- Training Educators in Inclusive Assessment Practices.
- Enhancing Digital Literacy among Faculty for Inclusive Education.

# 5) Languages and Multilingualism in Education

- Challenges and Strategies for Multilingual Education.
- Language Policies and Practices in Higher Education.
- Promoting Language Diversity and Inclusion in the Classroom.

# 6) Social Dimensions of Inclusion in **Higher Education**

Gender and Education: Equity Issues in Higher Education.



















- Addressing Racial and Ethnic Disparities.
- Supporting LGBTQ+ Inclusivity in Higher Education Settings.

### 7) Global Perspectives on Inclusive **Education**

- International Case Studies οn Effective Inclusion Strategies.
- Collaborative **Projects** and **Partnerships** for Inclusive Education.
- Globalization and Its Impact on Higher Education Policies.

#### 8) Sustainability and Lifelong Learning

- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Higher Education.
- Lifelong Promoting Learning Opportunities through HEIs.
- Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) in Curriculum Design.

# 9) Inclusion and Equity in Online and Distance Learning

- **Best Practices** Remote Education Accessibility.
- Hybrid Models of Learning: Opportunities and Challenges.

Ensuring Equitable Access in Online Learning Environments.

# 10) Student Services and Support **Systems for Inclusion**

- Mental Health Support and Inclusive Education.
- Development of Comprehensive Student Support Services.
- Enhancing Student Engagement Participation in Diverse Settings.

# 11) Leadership and Organizational **Culture in HEIs**

- Fostering an Inclusive Culture Higher Education within Institutions.
- Leadership Roles and Responsibilities in Promoting Equity.
- Organizational Change Management for Better Inclusion.

# 12) Assessment and Evaluation in **Diverse Learning Environments**

- Inclusive Evaluation Methods.
- Challenges in Assessing Diverse Student Populations.
- Continuous Improvement Processes for Inclusive Education.

The scope of the conference is wide. Any submission relevant to conference theme is acceptable.

#### C) Tracks:

There are 6 different tracks. You can write on any of the above suggestive topics for any of these tracks.

- 1) Architecture and Design
- 2) Art and Commerce
- 3) Engineering and IT
- 4) Education and Psychology
- 5) Management and Business Administration
- 6) Health Sciences



















#### D) Who can participate?

- Students
- Research Scholars
- Academicians
- Entrepreneurs & Business Leaders
- Representatives from Civil Society and Business Associations
- **NGOs**
- Other interested individuals

## **E) Paper Submission Guidelines:**

**Abstract Submission:** Abstract should not be more than 250 words. It will comprise of the title of the paper, about authors – name, designation, affiliation email ID and Mobile no., objectives, methodology, rationality and significance. An abstract should accompany 5 key words.

#### **Find the Template for Abstract:**

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zip6ORHXOFfHGv6Sz\_omuty7UXeGSUZm/edit?usp =sharing&ouid=118148988219197725866&rtpof=true&sd=true

Submit abstract through Google form: https://forms.gle/C2bLCEtM31Loy8Az6

- Full Paper Submission: Full paper should be less than 8000 words. It should have an abstract, key words, introduction, literature review, objectives and methodology, analysis & discussion, conclusion and scope for further study followed by references and appendix.
- Review Process: The abstracts/ full papers submitted for the possible presentation in the conference are subject to a blind review process. The decision of the reviewers will be final and binding. Acceptance/comments of the reviewers of the abstract/full paper will be communicated to the corresponding author within a week of the receipt of the abstract/paper.
  - Submitted papers must NOT have been previously presented, scheduled for presentation, published, or accepted for publication by any other source (journal, publisher or any other organization). If a paper is under review at the time of submission, it must NOT appear in print before the Conference.
  - NO changes in the paper title, authorship, nor submitted document can occur AFTER the submission deadline.
- One Research paper can have one or more (max. 3) authors. Contact details and affiliation of all the authors need to be mentioned while submitting the abstract and paper. Registration fees is per paper and not per author however all authors must register.



















- Citations & references should comply with the APA style of referencing. For details on APA referencing style, please visithttp://www.apastyle.org
- Submission must be in MS-Word format (no other format will be accepted) with all four sides 1 inch margin. Should be typed in Times New Roman with font size of 12.
   Paper title in 14 (Bold) and all sub-headings in 12 (Bold) and single line spacing.
- The maximum length of the submission is limited to 8,000 words (including title page and all figures, tables, appendices, and references.).
- Link to submit paper will be intimated through email once the abstract is accepted.

## **F) Publication Opportunities:**

The conference offers publication opportunities. Selected papers will be considered for publication in a UGC Care-listed Journal after a double-blind review process. The publication PROCESSING fees for the selected papers to be published in the UGC care journal will be borne by the authors. Remaining papers will be published in the conference proceedings as e-book with ISBN no.

# **Policy for Plagiarism:**

All the submitted papers will undergo a plagiarism check. Permissible similarity can be up to 10%.

#### **Best paper awards:**

Best Paper Awards shall be given based on the assessment of each track.

# **Certificate of Participation:**

Certificate of participation will be awarded to the paper presenters and participants attending all the sessions of the Conference.

# **Registration:**

- Registration is mandatory for all participants.
- Registration should be made on or before 15th September 2024.
- Presentation in absentia is not encouraged.
- The fee is inclusive of a conference kit, food, and certificate.
- The registration fee is non-refundable.



















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Abstract Review Notification	30th May 2024
Paper Submission Deadline	30th June 2024
Paper Review Notification	31st July 2024
Registration Opens	31st July 2024
Final paper Submission Deadline	30th August 2024
Registration Closes	15th September 2024
Conference dates	4-5 October 2024

# **Registration Fees:**

Students	500 INR
Research Scholars	1000 INR
Academicians	1500 INR
Professionals	2000 INR
Industry Representatives	2500 INR
NRI/Foreign Delegates	5000 INR

#### **Mode of Payment:**

Bank Transfer NEFT/RTGS/IMPS: Account details will be shared once the registration opens for the conference.



















#### **Organizing Committee:**

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- 2) Prof. Persi Engineer, Provost SU

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- 1) **Prof. Indraject Jadhav**, Professor and Head, School of Architecture, D. Y. Patil College of Engineering and Technology, Kolhapur.
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- 3) **Prof. Sandeepsingh Sisodia**, Associate Executive Dean, Faculty of Architecture, Design & Planning (FADP) Associate Professor, Institute of Architecture (IOA), Ganpat University, Mahesana, India

#### **CONFERENCE CHAIR:**

Prof. Persi Engineer, LEAR and Legal Representative, European Union Projects

#### **CONFERENCE CONVENER:**

**Prof. Hardik Gandhi**, Project Coordinator - InEq-SL, Associate Professor – IDPT-SCET & International Relations Officer, SU

#### **CONFERENCE CO-CONVENORS:**

- 1) **Prof. (Dr.) Hemlata Agarwal**, Researcher InEq-SL & Professor SRLIM
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