

# **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

ON

# **INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES AND PRACTICES**

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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE UTKAL UNIVERSITY VANI VIHAR, BHUBANESWAR, ODISHA



#### BACKGROUND

India, representing one of the most ancient civilizations of the world, has profoundly influenced the attitude, goals and principles of humanity at large across time and space. Indian culture, since generations together, has evoked the natural quest for truth and existence, in individuals and societies, beyond the geographical and linguistic boundaries. Such continuity of relevance of our indigenous wisdom and practices till today bears testimony to its universal appeal and timelessness. This is true for all disciplines ranging from Natural Sciences, Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences, Law, Business Management and so on.

The National Education Policy (NEP 2020), emphasizing internationalization of education in India, intends to make the Indian education system self-reliant and compliant to global standards. The goal of internationalization at home, the policy has pointed out, can be achieved by creating a variety of courses and programmes revolving around Indian culture and sciences such as Yoga, AYUSH, Indian languages, Indology, Folk Art and Music, History, and so on. These efforts would go a long way in sustaining and capitalizing on the increasing interest of nations across the world towards Indian traditional knowledge and practices. In short, the vision of the policy is to make India a global study destination as well as strengthening India's position as a global leader.

This International Conference proposes to bring together scholars and professionals across all disciplines, in academia and other sectors, for reflecting on the continuity and relevance of the unique philosophy, culture, and world-view that constitutes our country's rich heritage and pride. The objective is to promote interdisciplinary research as well as societal applications of Bhāratīya concepts and paradigms for collective welfare.

#### ABOUT UTKAL UNIVERSITY

Established in 1943, Utkal University, Vani Vihar is the 17th oldest University of India and the Mother University of the state of Odisha situated in the state capital Bhubaneswar. It is a teaching, research and one of the largest affiliating universities having twenty-seven Post-Graduate and seventeen Self-financing programmes within the campus that include faculty of Humanities and the Social Sciences, Science & Technology, Commerce and Management, Pedagogical Science, Medicine and Law. The second campus of the University came into being in 2019 for catering to the specific needs of rural areas. The University has established several Centres of Excellence under RUSA 2.0 and World Bank-Odisha Higher Education Programme for Equity and Excellence to promote interdisciplinary research including inter- departmental research. This University has been awarded an 'A+' grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in 2023. The University strives continuously to become an institution of eminence in eastern India with a focus on innovative teaching, research and extension activities.

#### **ABOUT INTERNATIONAL OFFICE**

The International Office, Utkal University, was established in 2018 to cater to the demand of a growing number of international students. With the primary objective of promoting and facilitating international education and intercultural learning, the centre provides information, services, and programs for international students, scholars, staff, and faculty. As a Centre of Excellence, it embraces and celebrates the spirit of cultural diversity in the campus through international collaborations and partnerships.

#### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Presentation of original work is invited on the following topics:

- Meeting current challenges and Indian tradition
- Indian value systems, ethics, and transformation for progress
- Indigenous knowledge & practices: Relevance for global issues
- Indian Arts and Literature: Reflections of life and times
- Indian insights and innovations in Science and Technology
- Tribal communities and Environmental Sustainability
- Indian philosophical thought and spirituality
- Well-being in the Indian Context
- Intercultural perspectives: Commonalities and differences
- Related themes

## **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

- Word limit for abstract submission is 300 words highlighting keywords ( Font Size 12, in Times New Roman)
- Full papers should be within 3000 to 4000 words.
- Submission can be made online to the following e-mail: <u>uuinternationaloffice@gmail.com</u>
- The Conference will be held in physical mode. Certificates will be provided to the participants who have presented papers in the conference.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Last date for abstract submission: 12.09.24
- Submission of full paper: 15.09.24
- Conference Dates: 20.09.24 & 21.09.24

### **CHIEF PATRON**

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