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Welcome message

We are delighted to share with you the exciting news that the University of Vocational Technology is hosting its 6th Annual International Research Symposium -IRS 2023, which is scheduled to take place on Thursday, December 14th, 2023 at University premises physically.

This Symposium aims to bring together scholars, innovative researchers, academics, practitioners, and students from different Universities, University colleges, R & D Institutes, TVET sector institutes and private sector institutions for discussions on challenges, opportunities, and innovations under the theme of “Emerging Technologies and Skills for Resilient Industries” which is a unique opportunity to share information and experiences .

Exploring Emerging Technologies and Skills for Resilience in TVET, and Industry, delves into the examination of novel technologies and the cultivation of relevant skills to foster resilience in diverse industries. This underscores the significance of investigating and understanding the latest advancements in technology, such as artificial intelligence, robotics, data analytics, and renewable energy, and their implications for resilience.

We estimate that approximately up to 150 delegates/ presenters will participate in the symposium.

We look forward to welcoming you to University of Vocational Technology Sri Lanka in December 2023!

Conference Theme: “Emerging Technologies and Skills for Resilient Industries”

CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES:

1. Resilient industries for Sustainable future:

- a. Innovative industrial management
- b. Advances in agriculture and food technology innovations and best practices
- c. Emerging trends in media technology and content production
- d. Sustainability and green production in Textile and Apparel industry.
- e. The role and contribution of quantity surveying in construction industry
- f. Hospitality Industry for economic development.

1.1 Waste treatment, waste management and circular economy for sustainable industries

2. Accelerating innovations for resilience in engineering and technological solutions

- a. Advancements in Manufacturing Technology
- b. Emerging role of mechatronics
- c. Sustainable construction Practices and resilient infrastructure development
- d. Resilient built environment
- e. Renewable energy and energy management for a green and sustainable future.

3. **ICT for socio-economic empowerment and creation of new industries.** This theme encompasses areas of Information and Communication Technologies to reach goals of Industry 4.0 and support Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).
4. Innovative pedagogies and technology support for learning to build transformational educational platforms.
 - a. Education management
 - b. Innovative learning environments,
 - c. Advances in content delivery
 - d. Support for language diversity
5. **TVET : Skills and Competencies for Resilient Workforce Development**
 - Best practices in TVET curriculum development and implementation
 - Technological advancements and digitalization in TVET
 - Industry partnerships and collaborations in TVET
 - Skills development and employability in the TVET sector
 - Innovations in teaching and learning methodologies for TVET
 - Addressing gender equity and inclusivity in TVET programs
 - Assessment and certification strategies in TVET
 - Sustainable development and green skills in the TVET sector
 - Policy and governance in TVET systems
 - Quality assurance and accreditation in TVET institutions

Key Dates:

First Call for papers	-	24 th May 2023
Submission deadline	-	31 st July 2023
Notification of acceptance		30 th August
Final Camera-ready copy	-	1 st Oct 2023
Start of Early bird registration	-	1 st Sept 2023
Date of Registration	-	On or before 01 st Dec 2023
Date of Symposium	-	14 th Dec 2023
Journal publication	-	Selected papers will be invited to journal publication

Registration:

Authors from University of Vocational Technology, University Colleges and TVET sector institutes under the Ministry of Education are excluded from paying registration fees.

Registration fee: Local Students- LKR 4500
Local Non-students- LKR 7500
Foreign - \$50

Early bird registration fee: Local Students- LKR 3000
Local Non-students- LKR 5000
Foreign - \$30

Particulars related to the payment of registration fees for the authors will be informed with the notification of acceptance.

New Tab: Sponsorship opportunities

Why Sponsor?

Several options to fit your sponsorship budget and goals – contact us for a tailor-made package.

- Increase your exposure through pre-symposium marketing coverage (web site / mailers/ social media / newsletters)
- Promote your offering to a global audience
- Raise your company profile above that of your competitors
- Increase recognition and drive traffic to your exhibition / table stand (should you participate)
- Have the opportunity to network at the highest level
- Marketing platform through branding and acknowledgement
- Increase your company's perceived image and gain the respect and credibility of your target audience

	Exhibiting Options: By exhibiting at IRS 2023, UoVT conference, exhibitors will have direct access to a focused group of key individuals who are actively working and researching in the TVET and Academia and Industry. The conference delegation comprises international participants, Industry personnel and academicians offering exhibitors the opportunity to showcase their products and services to potential new markets.		
Benefits	Option 01 Rs:	Option 02 Rs:	Option 03 Rs. 100,

		25,000/=	50,000/=	000/=
1	An unmanned stand to present company Info	√		
2	Poster display near registration desk	√	√	√
3	logo on the conference website with a link to company site.	√	√	√
4	A manned stand where the company can showcase and demonstrate products		√	√
5	Leaflets can be placed inside the individual breakout rooms at the start of each conference day.		√	√
6	One representative is invited to attend the conference luncheon		√	√
7	A leaflet/brochure/promotional item can also be included in the participant packs.			√
8	Timetabled slot during the conference to give a presentation, which will take place during one of the refreshment breaks			√
9	One representative is invited to attend the conference dinner, providing further networking opportunities with the participants			√

Conference Sponsorship Options			
<p>For companies wishing to target a specific day, materials, or social events during the conference, individual sponsorship provides an attractive option. This allows your organization to choose your desired level of involvement and exposure to attendees at the conference.</p>			
Benefits		Silver Conference Sponsor Rs:	Gold Conference Sponsor: Rs. 300,

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Conference Passes	Offered complimentary attendee passes	02 Passes	04 Passes
Web Site	Company will be featured on the conference web site	√	√
Signage	Appropriate company signage in the main conference rooms and the conference registration area	√	√
Conference Proceedings	Company logo will appear inside the conference proceedings.	√	√
Promotional Material	Company's name and logo will be featured in the proceedings, on the conference web site, on a display board in the conference registration area and in any other pre-conference promotional material	√	√
Literature and promotional material	Company's brochure and a gift/giveaway can be included in the attendee pack	√	√
Acknowledgements	Company will be thanked in the proceedings	√	√
Exhibition opportunity	As a Gold conference sponsor you can have a stand in the registration area of the conference where you can exhibit or demonstrate products if appropriate	-	√

Sponsorship of individual activities during the conference			
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	Conference Refreshment Breaks- Rs. 50,000/=	Conference Lunch -Rs 150,000/=	Conference Dinner- Rs. 200,000/=
Signage in lunch /refreshment area	√	√	√
Presentation: Time can be allocated for a short presentation, or a demonstration		√	√
Distribute items of your company's literature and gifts/giveaways.	√	√	√
company's name and logo will appear on the conference website, in the conference proceedings and on a display board in the conference registration area.	√	√	√
Conference Attendance		√	√

Other Sponsorships

1. **Insertion of promotional materials into the delegate packs:** Brochures and/or flyers can be inserted into delegate packs for a fee of Rs. 5000/=
2. **Sponsorships** are available for conference booklet, abstract booklet publishing, awards for best papers