



**NIT Silchar, India - University of Illinois
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Presents



International Library Conference on
**"What's Next in Libraries?
Trends, Space, and Partnerships"**
January 21-23, 2015

In collaboration with



LOCATION:

NIT Campus, Silchar, Assam, India

BACKGROUND:

Creating a vibrant and sustainable library ecosystem requires that librarians and libraries adapt, change, and innovate to stay relevant to users and home institutions. What are the current trends in successful academic and public libraries? How do we as professionals re-imagine library space that is flexible and attractive? How do we develop partnerships that advance the mission of our libraries?

These are among some of the questions that will be examined and discussed by librarians from the United States, India, and other countries who will interact during this three-day conference to build skills, learn from colleagues, and return home with practical ideas.

In this Conference, library professionals from the University of Illinois will work with librarians from the region and from other countries to discuss how new technologies can open access to information and knowledge for library users. The series of workshops and papers will consider how to best build on the opportunities offered by the new technologies.

The conference format will encourage individual participants to become engaged in discussions and presentations through a variety of sessions, including lectures, posters, "lightning" talks, individual consultations, roundtable discussions and workshops.

THEME OF THE CONFERENCE:

I: Trends

- New Trends, Innovations LIS
- Lib 2.0: New Practices, Smart Mobile Applications in LIS,
- E-Learning and Information Literacy, Scholarly Publishing, Open Access, and Digital Libraries,
- Quality Assurance & Best Practices, Innovative Library Products & Services.

II: Space

- Recent Trends in Library Space,
- Space Design, Positioning, and service transformation,
- Case studies on library building and space planning,
- Users Perspective of Library Space,
- Green Library, Norms and Standards for Library Space,
- Security of Library Resources,
- Disaster Management in Libraries.

III. Partnerships

- Networking among Professionals,
- Collaborations, Joint Projects.

THEME OF THE WORKSHOPS:

- Scholarly commons
- Library Spaces
- Library & Community Development
- Disaster Management in Libraries.

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CALL FOR PAPERS:

Original contributions based on application / research / surveys / practices related to the theme and sub-themes mentioned are invited for paper and poster presentations. Based on editorial committee's recommendations, papers for the international conference will be selected and published in the Conference Volume (print version) with ISBN number. Registrations for all authors are mandatory for paper presentation. All papers should be submitted through email on or before 30 November 2014.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Deadline for Abstract Submission : 15 Nov 2014
Deadline for Paper Submission : 20 Nov 2014
Notifications for Acceptance : 01 Dec 2014
Camera Ready Paper Submission : 10 Dec 2014
Conference Date : 21-23 Jan 2015

REGISTRATION

Delegates are requested to fill the registration form and return the same with conference fee and other applicable payments to the Conference Secretariat latest by Dec 30, 2014.

Conference Fee	Working Professionals	Students & Retired LIS Professionals	Accompanying Person	Overseas Delegate
(Early Registration by Dec 10, 2012)	Rs. 2500	Rs. 1000	Rs. 1000	\$ 100
Regular (After Dec 10, 2012)	Rs. 3000	Rs. 1500	Rs. 1500	\$120

The registration fee will cover registration materials, lunch, dinner, tea & snacks. The demand draft should be drawn in favor of Director, NIT Silchar and payable at State Bank of India, NIT Silchar Branch (code 7061), Silchar- 788010.

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