

ICA MANIPAL REGIONAL HUB 2023

26TH-30TH MAY 2023

PROGRAM SCHEDULE & SPEAKER DETAILS

DAY 1

26TH MAY 2023

3:30 PM Inaugural Session

4:00PM Keynote by Dr. Rohan Samarjiva, Founding Chair, LIRNEasia, an ICT
Policy and Regulation Think Tank
"Inauthenticity of content in Internet regulation: Who decides and
how?"

5:00PM BREAK

5:30 PM Opening Plenary by Prof (Dr.) Surbhi Dahiya, Indian Institute of Mass
Communication, New Delhi
"Legacy News Media vs Digital Start Ups: Ownership and
Management Trends in South Asia"

DAY 2
27TH MAY 2023

Conference Paper Presentations - Parallel Sessions (See Presentation Schedule)

2:00PM Popular Media and Culture Division
Session Chair: Dr. Padmakumar K, Associate Professor & HOD,
Corporate Communication, MIC

Mass Communication Division
Session Chair: Dr. Naresh Rao A, Professor, Department of Media
Studies, Christ University

4:00PM BREAK

Panel Session 1 - "Narratives and Counternarratives: Utilizing
Communication Scholarship to Influence Perceptions and Realities
of Socio-economic Development"

Nigeria Panel Members: (TBA)

4:30PM South Asia Panel Members:
Prof. Vinod Pavarala, Senior Professor, Department of
Communication & UNESCO Chair on Community Media, University of
Hyderabad
Dr Pradeep Nair, Professor & Director Research, Department of New
Media, Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Dr Nirmala Mani Adhikary, Associate Professor and HOD,
Department of Languages and Mass Communication, Kathmandu
University
Sri Lanka Speaker (TBA)

Conference Paper Presentations (See Presentation Schedule)

6:30PM Visual and Political Communication Division
Session Chair: Dr. Chandana Kumar Vemana, Associate Professor,
MIC

DAY 3
28TH MAY 2023

Panel Session 2 - "Status of Press Freedom in South Asia: Challenges and Opportunities"

Panel Members:

10:30AM

Mr. Lekhanath Pandey, Assistant Professor, Tribhuvan University
Dr. Bhanu Bhakta Acharya, Professor, Department of Communication, University of Ottawa
Dr. Kulveen Trehan, Assistant Professor, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
Prof. (Dr.) Bushra Hameedur Rahman, Chairperson, Department of Journalism Studies, University of Punjab, Pakistan
Mr. Ujjwal Acharya, Managing Director, CMR Journalism Academy, Kathmandu, Nepal

12:30PM

BREAK

Conference Paper Presentations - Parallel Sessions (See Presentation Schedule)

2:00PM

Communication and Technology Division
Session Chair: Dr. Shubha H.S, Associate Professor & HOD Media Studies, MIC

Journalism Studies Division
Session Chair: Dr. Manjushree G Naik, Assistant professor, MIC

4:00PM

BREAK

4:30PM

Plenary Session by Darshana Sreedhar Mini, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication Arts, University of Wisconsin-Madison
"Authenticity in Asylum Narratives"

DAY 4
29TH MAY 2023

10:30AM	Panel Session 3 - "Emerging Scholars Panel: Prospects, Processes and Dilemmas of Pursuing Doctoral Research in India" Panel Members: (TBA)
12:30PM	BREAK
2:00PM	Conference Paper Presentations - Parallel Sessions (See Presentation Schedule) Health Communication Division Session Chair: Dr. Manjula Venkataraghavan, Associate Professor, MIC Media Industry Studies Division Session Chair: Dr. P. Vigneswara Ilavarasan, Dept. of Management Studies, IIT Delhi
4:00PM	BREAK
4:30PM	Plenary Session by Dr. Srivi Ramasubramanian, Professor, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, Syracuse University. "Reclaiming Data: Authenticity, Agency, and Advocacy in Data-Driven Communication Theorizing"
5:30PM	BREAK
5:45PM	Panel Session 4 - "Exploring Digital Inclusion and Exclusion in South Asia: Scholarly Perspectives" Panel Members: Dr. Sanjay Barthur, Professor, Manipal Institute of Communication Dr. Stephen McDowell, Professor, Florida State University Dr. Bhanu Bhakta Acharya, Professor, Department of Communication, University of Ottawa Dr. Md. Golam Rahman, Editor, Ajker Patrika, Advisor & Adjunct Professor, Daffodil International University Dr. P. Vigneswara Ilavarasan, Dept. of Management Studies, IIT Delhi

DAY 5
30TH MAY 2023

4:30 PM Conference Closing Ceremony

05:15PM Closing Plenary By Dr. Shafiqur Rahman, Professor, South Carolina State University

'Need and Promotion of Media Literacy in Digital Ecosystem of South Asia'
