Three Days National Workshop on
Research Impact Evaluation and Altmetrics

23rd – 25th October, 2017

Information and Library Network Centre
(An Autonomous Inter-University Centre of UGC)
Infocity, Gandhinagar
About INFLIBNET

Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) is an autonomous Inter-University Centre of the University Grants Commission (UGC). The objectives of the Centre are to modernize libraries and information centres for information transfer and access, to support scholarship, learning and academic pursuit by establishing a national network of libraries and information centres in universities, institutions of higher learning and R & D institutions in India. Creation of national union database (IndCat), development of an integrated library management software (SOUL 2.0), human resource development, on-site training, providing bibliographic information services, extending technical help and guidance from time to time to academic libraries in automation and networking are some of the major activities of the Centre. The Centre provides access to e-resources and Internet connectivity to universities under the UGC-Infonet connectively programme and UGC-Infonet Digital Library Consortium. The Centre also provides access to 6500+ e-journals and 97,000+ e-books to the colleges in India though programme entitled "National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (N-LIST)".

Aims and Objectives of the Workshop

Research Councils UK (RCUK) defines research impact as “the demonstrable contribution that excellent research makes to society and the economy. Research impact embraces all the diverse ways that research-related skills benefit individuals, organisations and nations.” Research impact describes the effects and outcomes, in terms of value and benefit, as a result of research outputs. Assessing quality of research and its impact is an ongoing and increasing concern for funders, promotion & tenure committees, and policy makers. And, assessment of scholarly research impact is very much a tough task. Since long, traditional metrics based on citation analysis are in used as a profound measure for the research impact assessment. With the advancement of the Internet and web technologies, there is a growing trend in the use of social media platforms and web sources by the research communities and academia in their research environment to perform various research activities, for collaborating, discussing, and sharing of research, etc. In recent years, data collected from these social media platforms are considered and emerging as a new tool / method for research assessment collectively termed as “Altmetrics” which was coined in September, 2010 by Jason Priem. There have been seen an increasing interest towards the importance and use of altmetrics as an alternative or complementary method to traditional citation-based metrics for assessing scholarly research impact. The aim of this workshop is to give the participants a sound overview on altmetrics, its usefulness in research impact evaluation. Further, it will explore three tools which are being used to extract social metrics (altmetrics) data for research evaluation.

Major Topics

The following major topics will be covered in the workshop:

- Research Evaluation: Different Aspects;
- Bibliometrics/Scientometrics Indicators for Assessing Research;
Target Participants

LIS professionals, academicians, faculty, research evaluators, current and prospective research scholars, students from all disciplines. The number of seats is limited and the selection will be based on ‘first come first served’ basis.

Resource Persons

The resource persons are eminent professional experts / scientists from the field of LIS & IT. They have an extensive experience on research support and evaluation services.

Duration: Three Days (23rd - 25th October, 2017)

Three days workshop includes theory & extensive practical sessions.

Venue

The Workshop will be conducted at Information and Library Network Centre, An IUC of University Grants Commission, Infocity, Gandhinagar-382007, Gujarat, India.

Workshop Fee

The registration fee is Rs. 3,540.00 (Rupees Three Thousand Five Hundred Forty only) per person without accommodation and Rs. 5,780.00 (Rupees Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty only) with accommodation which is inclusive of GST rates. It covers the cost of training programme kit containing training materials, breakfast, lunch and dinner during the training period. The payment should be made through Demand Draft in favour of INFLIBNET Centre payable at Gandhinagar along with filled-in registration form. Fee is non-refundable and non-adjustable. The Centre also accepts payment by NEFT /RTGS for the workshop. The bank account details will be shared on request.

Accommodation.

The Centre will arrange accommodation during the period of training at INFLIBNET Guest House (A/C Room) on twin sharing basis. The participants must send prior intimation and charges for accommodation along with registration fees. The accommodation will be provided first come first basis.

Registration for Workshop

The application for registration to the workshop should be submitted online at http://www.inflibnet.ac.in/hrd/login.php on or before 15th October, 2017.
Gandhinagar is connected to Surat, Mumbai, and Navi Mumbai through National Highway 8A. It is connected to Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Udaipur, New Delhi & Chandigarh through the National Highway 8C.

**Air Connectivity:** The nearest airport is Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad located at a distance of 15KM from Domestic flights are available for the Metropolitans and other major cities of India. It also provides many International flights from Ahmedabad to across the world.

**Rail Connectivity:** The nearest Railway Station is Ahmedabad Railway Station (Known as Kalupur) which is well connected to all metropolitans and other major cities of India. The Ahmedabad Railway station is located at a distance of 23 Km from the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.