



**National Institute of Library and Information Sciences
University of Colombo
International Research Symposium – 2024**

Guidelines to Submit Abstracts

Theme: “Envisioning Tomorrow's Libraries: Integrating Emerging Trends Through Impactful Research”

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT BEFORE 12TH JULY 2024

Sub themes: Research Data Management, Measurement of Research Impact, Digital Technologies and ICT as a Research Tool, Informetrics Research, LIS Research in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Ethics in LIS Research, Challenges in LIS Research, Emerging Trends and Innovations in LIS Research, and any other topic relevant to the theme.



The Editorial Committee of the NILIS Research Symposium invites all library and information professionals and LIS academics to submit abstracts of not more than **350 words** for consideration for presentation at the Technical Sessions of the NILIS International Research Symposium (NIRS) to be held on **24th October 2024**. The abstracts should be based on original research work and must be prepared using the template provided at the end of this document. If accepted, the author(s) must be able to submit a video recording of the presentation of no longer than 7 minutes. All accepted abstracts will be published in the Symposium e-Proceedings. Additionally, if at least one of the authors is a University of Colombo or NILIS staff member or a postgraduate student, those abstracts will also be included in the University of Colombo Annual Research Symposium 2024.

Deadlines to Remember

- Submission of final abstract (use the attached template): **12th July 2024**
- Notification of acceptance: **12th August 2024**
- Submission of the video recording of the presentation (not more than 7 minutes): **15th September 2024**

Adherence to the Guidelines

Guidelines for preparing abstracts are attached. **Please follow the instructions carefully and note that abstracts not prepared according to the guidelines, or submitted after the deadline will not be considered for review.** The Editorial Committee reserves the right to make alterations to the text of the abstract to improve its quality. The decision of the Editorial Committee will be final. Please refer the attached guidelines or visit the NILIS Web site for details.

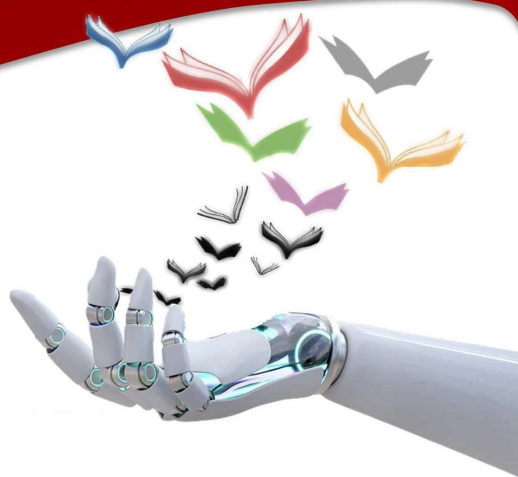
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Guidelines for Submission



1. The abstract must report original research not previously published elsewhere.
2. An author may submit a maximum of one abstract as a single author and up to three abstracts as a co-author. No author shall submit more than four abstracts in total.
3. Acknowledgements should be restricted to the names of funding agencies providing sponsorship.
4. Standard abbreviations of SI units should be used.
5. The abstract should be coherent and free of language errors.
6. The maximum number of words allowed is 350. Follow the annexed format (MS Word Document) and submit all three pages along with each abstract.

Please note:

- a. The annexed format must be used for submission of the abstract.
- b. The annexed declaration form must be signed, scanned, and returned by the Corresponding Author via email along with each abstract submitted.
- c. All correspondence will be addressed to the Corresponding Author. If the Corresponding Author is a student; it is mandatory that the declaration form should be counter signed by the supervising author/s.
- d. If the presenter indicated in the application is unable to present the paper, it is the responsibility of the Corresponding Author either to withdraw the paper in advance or arrange for one of the Co-Authors to present the paper.
- e. Editorial Committee has the right to reject the abstracts not conforming to these requirements.