Management Doctoral
Colloquium and VGSOM
Research Scholars Day
(MDC & VRS 2024)
February 1-2, 2024

INTRODUCTION

Vinod Gupta School of Management, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur is going to organize the Management Doctoral Colloquium and Research Scholars Day (MDC & VRS 2024) for doctoral students in the area of management during February 1-2, 2024.

The colloquium will provide outstanding gathering for doctoral students in various areas of management who want to pursue a career in academics and research with an opportunity to discuss their dissertation research with other doctoral students and leading academicians in the field of management. All topics and methodological approaches within the broad field of management comprising of finance, data analytics, marketing, human resource management, strategic management, operation and supply chain management etc. will be considered. It will mostly proceed in parallel tracks based on the topical and/or methodological angle of participants' work as well as on the stage of the dissertation process. Students will get an opportunity to discuss their work with their fellow students and faculty, who are renowned experts in the corresponding field.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Participation in the colloquium will enormously benefit students who are dealing
with aspects and issues related to the themes of this conference. Research papers and cases based on research, experience, or promising ideas focusing on any of the stated objectives and themes of the any management are invited. The papers will be selected on the basis of their potential to contribute towards the theme of the conference. All papers will be assessed by a panel of experts based on their research proposals. The application materials should be submitted as a MS word document positively which includes the following five sections:

1. A short introductory statement explaining the applicant’s interest in the colloquium, the current stage of their research work, the name(s) of their advisor(s)/supervisor(s).
2. A research statement of no more than 500 to 700 words describing their dissertation project.
3. A curriculum vitae (CV), documenting their key scholarly achievements to date.
4. An email letter from your supervisor sent to colloquium convenor indicating that they support your application to the colloquium and that they agree that your research is at an appropriate stage for participation. These letters should also make reference to how you might benefit from the Doctoral Colloquium and how they expect that you might benefit the other students in this group experience.

The papers must be sent via e-mail to

rudrap@vgsom.iitkgp.ac.in

Authors of all papers accepted for the conference will be required to give copyright declaration in the format to be supplied later. The selected papers will either be published in a special issue of an Econ Lit- indexed journal or in an edited volume by a reputed publisher. Detailed information about the submission guidelines can be found at the following link:

http://www.som.iitkgp.ernet.in/mdc2023/

**REVIEW CRITERIA**

The paper/ abstract must give a clear indication of the objective, methodology, major results, implications, and key references. All papers will be blind reviewed and only those papers approved by the reviewers will be selected. The criteria for evaluation by the reviewers are as follows:

**Relevance:**
Does the subject of the paper appeal to the interest of the conference attendees?

**Methodology:**
Does the paper use appropriate method(s)?

**Originality:**
Does the paper add new findings, insights, or knowledge to the body of literature?

**Research:**
Does the paper compare and weigh the material against the work of others?
Conclusions:
Are the conclusions are sound and justified as per the problem discussion?

Policy/Managerial Implications:
Are the policy implications relevant and useful for the problem demonstrated?

BEST PAPER AWARD:
All submissions will be considered for five best paper awards for all the five core streams. These include:

- Accounting/Economics/Finance
- Human Resource Management/Organizational Behaviour
- Logistics/Operation Management/Supply Chain Management
- Business Laws/Business Strategy/Marketing
- Data Analytics/Systems/Soft Computing

The winners will be given citations at the conference and their full registration fee will be refunded.

IMPORTANT DATES:
Submission of Paper: December 21, 2023
Acceptance of Paper: December 31, 2023
Registration Deadline: January 10, 2024

Note:
Letter of invitation/acceptance letter can be used for obtaining permission from your institute will be sent on request.

REGISTRATION FEE

For IIT Kharagpur Students:
No Registration Fee

For Outside IIT Kharagpur:
INR 2000

Registration fee (non-refundable and non-transferable) includes 18% GST, conference materials, and certificate.

Venue and Platform?
Venue: Online
Platform: Zoom/Webex/Google Meet/Moodle, etc.- to be intimated later

HOW TO REGISTER?
Use the link: https://erp.iitkgp.ac.in/CEP/courses.htm to apply ONLINE.

Process flows:
Sign up → Login → Profile Fill-up → Choose a Program → Apply Now

Payment if applicable is to be done ONLINE after getting short listed for the program.
CERTIFICATE

Certificate will be issued to each participant from the Office of Dean (CE), Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, India.

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Paper Format

Total paper size [Maximum of 15 pages]

[Paper Title]
[Authors: your name/ guide name/ any other co-authors]

Abstract
[Maximum of 150 words]

Keywords: [maximum of 5 words]

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1. Introduction and Conceptual Background
[Maximum of 2 pages]

2. Literature Review
[Maximum of 3 pages]

3. Methods of Study
[Maximum of 2 pages]

4. Empirical Results and Discussion
[Maximum of 2 pages]

5. Conclusion and Policy Implications
[Maximum of 2 pages]

6. Future Guidelines
[Maximum of 1 pages]

7. Reviewers Comments (during review process and paper presentation time)
[Maximum of 1 pages; to be blank, it will be filled by referees and session chairs]

References
[Maximum of 2 pages]