The Conference track of READIT-2007 invites submission of papers to deliberate in the following areas:

**Theme:** “Information to Knowledge: Technology and Professionals”

**Sub-theme:**
- Library as Knowledge Centers
- Digital Infrastructure and Technology Integration
- Document Management and Resource Generation
- Digital Preservation Issues
- Information Security
- Knowledge Environment and Professionals
- Knowledge – A Commodity

**About IGCAR**
IGCAR is a premier R&D establishment of the Department of Atomic Energy with an objective to conduct a broad based multi-disciplinary program of scientific research and advanced development, directed towards the establishment of the technology of Sodium Cooled Fast Breeder Reactors (FBR) in the country.

**Scientific Information Resource Division (SIRD)**
The Scientific Information Resource Division, formerly known as Library and Information Services, with associated facilities in Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research (IGCAR), Kalpakkam is the most modern information resource centre in India. Excellent infrastructural facilities like Internet connectivity, Online access to International Databases, E-publishing, Content Creation, RFID based Management, Microform Scanners, Document Scanners, etc., are available in addition to conventional library services. Library collection is accessible to users online within the campus sprawling around 10 sq. kilometers.

A visit to these library facilities will be an enriching experience to professionals engaged in the areas of Library Science and Information Technology.

**MALA-KC**
Madras Library Association - Kalpakkam Chapter (MALA-KC) is formed during 1995 and it is committed to carry forward the programmes of MALA at Kalpakkam. MALA-KC have been conducting a series of conferences in Recent Advances in Information Technology (READIT). The earlier conferences were conducted during, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001 and 2005, which were well received by professionals engaged in IT and Library Information Science from R&D and Academic Institutions. It is now proposed to conduct “Recent Advances in Information Science & Technology – 2007 (READIT-2007), a two-day conference (12th & 13th July 2007) on “Information to Knowledge: Technology and Professionals”. The conference will have invited talks by experts in the field and contributed paper presentation from researchers and professionals. A Pre-Conference Tutorial is also being arranged for the benefit of Information Scientists and Working Librarians on 11th July 2007 (Wednesday).

**Venue**
The Conference and Tutorial will be held at IGCAR, Kalpak-kam, which is located 75 km south of Chennai, the Capital of Tamil Nadu. It is also 10 km south of Mamallapuram, a fabulous tourist spot in South India, famous for architecture and sculpture of Pallava Dynasty. Kalpakkam is well connected by road and situated in the middle of Chennai to Pondicherry on East Coast Highway and surrounded by temple cities like Kancheepuram & Thirukazhukundram and Veddanthankal bird sanctuary.

**Objective**
The organizational knowledge acquired as “valuable information in action” will be carried forward by means of continued interaction and authenticated input towards building up future knowledge.

The two-day conference focuses mainly on the above concept by providing a forum to professionals in the field of IT and Library Science to discuss and present their experiences and findings on recent advances, especially in the fast changing environment of Digital Content Creation, Digital Preservation, Knowledge Management, etc. In such technological environment, how can the architecture accommodate future change? What are roles and responsibilities of professionals? What are Technological changes and obsolescence; standard file and media formats for successful management strategies in the field of digital preservation? These are some of the points that will be deliberated.
The theme of the conference applies to the practice of librarianship, specifically addressing how web and its associated technologies are driving the Library & Information Services. Web is indeed evolving into a more interactive, multimedia-driven technological space, "biblioblogosphere", developing automated tools, systems, and software to reduce the costs and exploiting the resources associated making available vast knowledge to the users. The issues involved in developing expertise in modern libraries through technological and professional skills in the context of migration from information to knowledge are also to be addressed.

Targeted Audience

Librarians, Information Professionals, Scientists, Knowledge Managers and Gate-keepers working in R&D establishments, Academic and Corporate Institutions & Industries.

Call for Papers

The conference will consist of invited talks and contributed papers in the above-mentioned areas. Abstracts of the papers not exceeding 250 words may be submitted latest by 23rd May 2007.

For more details, visit: http://www.malakc.org

Souvenir and Proceedings

A souvenir containing abstracts of the contributed papers/invited talks will be brought out at the time of the conference. It is also proposed to bring out the proceedings of the conference in CD format as well as in hard copy. Papers received after the due date will not be included in the proceedings.

Exhibition

As a part of the conference an exhibition of latest products and publications is also arranged.
Registration Form

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