



THE 11TH WORLD DISABILITY & REHABILITATION CONFERENCE (WDRC'26)

AUGUST 10-11 , 2026 | BALI, INDONESIA

The 11th World Disability and Rehabilitation Conference (WDRC) is a leading global platform dedicated to advancing disability inclusion, rehabilitation, and human rights. Organized by The International Institute of Knowledge Management (TIIKM), Sri Lanka, the conference brings together researchers, practitioners, advocates, and policymakers from around the world to exchange knowledge, share best practices, and drive meaningful social change. Marking its 11th consecutive edition, WDRC continues to foster dialogue and action toward a more inclusive and accessible future for all.

CONFERENCE PURPOSE

In a world where the perspectives of individuals with disabilities are essential to understanding and addressing societal challenges, The 11th World Disability and Rehabilitation Conference (WDRC) amplifies voices advocating for disability inclusion, rehabilitation, and equitable policies. The conference explores the impact of global and local issues on people with disabilities and marginalized communities, emphasizing the urgent need to close gaps in accessibility, political representation, and economic participation. Through keynote speeches, panel discussions, and interactive workshops, the conference fosters critical dialogue, collaboration, and actionable strategies to drive transformative change at local, national, and global levels.

● Our History

The 11th World Disability and Rehabilitation Conference has cultivated a global 3000+ networks comprising 180+ universities in 60+ countries over 10 successful years.



● Our Story

Celebrating 11 Years of Impact: Advancing Disability and Rehabilitation through WDRC



● Abstract Submission Deadline

24th March 2026



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WHY ATTEND THE WDRC 2026?



Awards and Recognition



Career and Institutional Development through global exposure



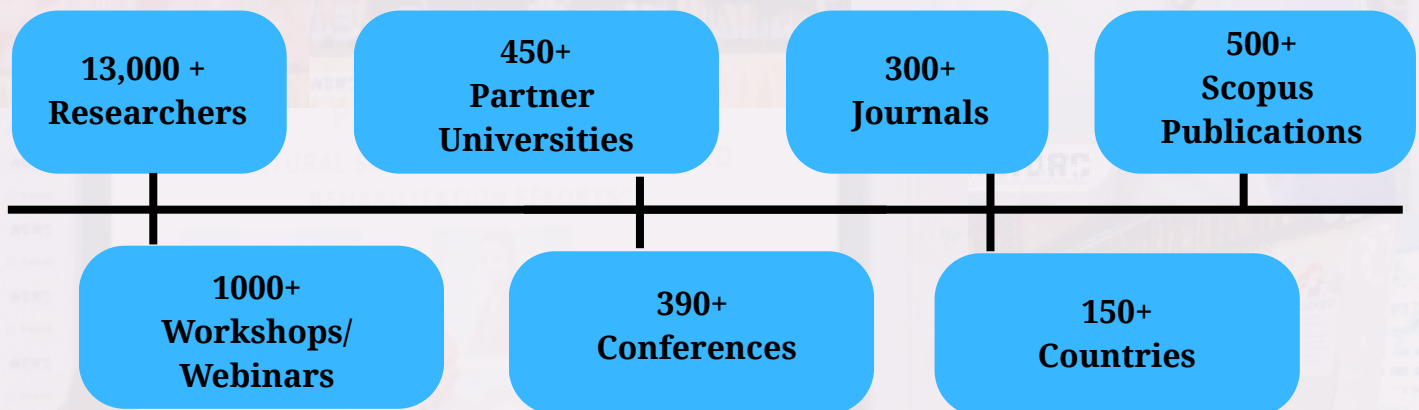
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WHO ARE WE?

The International Institute of Knowledge Management (TIIKM) is an entity that facilitates the purpose of Knowledge-driven and educationally empowered sustainable future for humankind by constructing the career of the research fraternity, empowering decision making in the corporate sector, and promoting quality decisions for policymakers through connected and integrated ground-breaking solutions

WHY CHOOSE US?



OUR VISION

We are facilitating the purpose of a Knowledge-driven and educationally empowered sustainable future for humankind by constructing researchers' careers, empowering decision making in the corporate sector, and promoting quality decisions for policymakers through connected and integrated cutting-edge solutions.

OUR MISSION

“Developing a Sustainable future for humankind with our fundamental value system through Knowledge-sharing platforms, widely accessible publications, meaningful collaborations, cutting-edge technology, and other novel solutions.”



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Panel Speaker



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Story Teller



Dr. Sunita Sivakumaran
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Needs, Petaling Jaya,
Malaysia.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Pre-Conference Publication Workshop

Topic: “The Attuned School: a whole school approach to promoting positive mental health in children and young people with attachment needs”



Date: 6th March 2026 | Time: 03:00 PM – 04:00 PM IST

Dr. Sarah Wall

Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Arts, Humanities, Education and Social Sciences,
Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), Chelmsford, United Kingdom

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Conference Day Workshop



Topic:

“Inside the CRPD Communication Procedure”

Mrs. Zahra Hosanee

Co-founder of the YWDEP
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ACADEMIC PANEL DISCUSSION

Human-Centered Innovation: Building Inclusive and Sustainable Futures for Disability and Rehabilitation



Ms. Elsie Gabriel
Moderator



Prof. Harsha Kathard
Panelist



Dr. Libby Callaway
Panelist



Mrs. Maelani A. Rotinsulu
Panelist



Prof. Brian Watermeyer
Panelist



Dr. Senita Sivakumaran
Panelist

GLOBAL FUTURES DIALOGUE: WDRPA EXCO Q&A

Policy, Innovation, Equity, and the Future of Inclusive Rehabilitation



Ms. Zahra Hosanee
Moderator



Dr. Gerry Dawin A. Dela Zerna
Panelist



Dr. Thierry Kolpin
Panelist



Mr. Nekram Upadhyay
Panelist



Dr. Anne Spillane
Panelist

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Conference Venue: Four Star by Trans Hotel

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PAST NETWORK



6000+
Researchers



180+
Universities



60+
Countries



10
Successful
Years

DATES OF IMPORTANCE

JUNE, 2026
Abstract Submission

JUNE, 2026
Early Bird Payment Deadline

JULY 08, 2026
Final Payment Deadline

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Submission



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Delegate	USD 510	USD 560	USD 610
Student	USD 495	USD 545	USD 595
Group (Delegate per Author)	USD 495	USD 545	USD 595
Group (Student per Author)	USD 470	USD 520	USD 570
Poster Presentation			
Delegate	USD 490	USD 540	USD 590
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	Early Bird Payment Deadline	Regular Payment Deadline
	27th April 2026	20th May 2026

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Poster Presentation

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