



Inaugural Session

The Inaugural Session was started by inviting the dignitaries on the dais, followed by lighting of the lamp. All the guests on the dais were welcomed by presenting the floral bouquets.

Dr. Ajay Rathore, Director, Tecnia Institute of Advanced Studies welcomed all the guests, participants and organizing team members in his opening remarks. He informed that there are **about 265** registered participants in the conference from different parts of the country including a couple of guests from outside of the country.

This followed the release of the Proceedings of Tecnia SRFLIS Summit 2014. Two more proceedings of the “National Conference on Information Communication and Computer Networks” and “National Conference on Democratization of Communication” held earlier were also released. Tecnia’s bi-annual journal was also released on the occasion.

Dr. K.P. Singh, Organizing Secretary and President of the SRFLIS presented the background and introduction of the conference and the relevance of the theme in the present scenario. He informed that conference received **148** papers, out of which 74 full text and 7 Abstracts have been included in the volume after a very thorough review process. He welcomed all the guests and delegates and thanked the entire conference organizing team.

Prof. M. Moni, Ex. Director General, National Informatics Centre delivered the Key Note Address. He especially mentioned the e-governance initiatives of the Govt. of India and how library professionals may play significant role in this direction. He emphasized that Knowledge innovation is important and same important is the role of the librarians in the changing information environment.

Prof. Jagtar Singh, guest of honor and Dean at Punjabi University, Patiala emphasized the importance of Content and Connectivity and the need to become the alternate of Google in the changing scenario to bring back the users to the library. He also asked the librarians not to be victim of Technomania and Technofobia and play the role as Facilitator and Creator of knowledge.

Prof. I.V. Malhan, guest of honor and Dean at the Central University of HP at Dharamshala gave emphasis that LIS education should be re-structured to serve the changing needs of the information seekers.

Prof. Arvind Prasad, guest of honor from TISCO, Jamshedpur talked about the changing role of library professionals for communicating right information at the right time so that public at large may be served as the wrong information may be disastrous.

This followed the SRFLISIndia Awards (Indian Library Leaders) to library professionals as given below:

1. Professional Excellence Award 2012 – Dr. Sanjay Mishra
2. Promising Professional Award 2013 – Dr. Akhtar Parvez
3. Professional Excellence Award 2013 – Dr. Ramesh C. Gaur
4. Life Time Achievement Award 2013 – Prof. S.L. Sangam

After the award ceremony, Prof. M.P. Satija, Co-Chief Patron of the conference appreciated the role of the young library professionals through establishing the SRFLIS like organizations to serve the community and asked the professionals to use the technology intelligently as a tool to serve the people better and should not entirely depend upon it.

Mr. Ram Kailash Gupta, Chairman, Tecnia and Chief Patron of the conference thanked the SRFLIS and those present and emphasized that librarians should help not only help to connect the contents but also go beyond that to connect other under-privileged of the society including disabled.

Chief Guest of the Inaugural, Prof. K. Kannan in his address asked the content creators to check as who is really going to be benefitted from the contents they are creating? Are people really interested in the contents being created? He emphasized the role of the three words; Passion, Patience and Perseverance.

Prof. Rajesh Bajaj, coordinator, Tecnia presented the formal vote of thanks.

Plenary Session - I

Dr. Manorama Tripathi, Deputy Librarian, JNU and Programme Director started the first Plenary Session on, “Knowledge based systems and data mining”. Prof. Jagtar Singh was the Session Chair and Dr. R.K. Sharma from United Nations Information Centre was the Co-Chair of the session. Dr. Ramesh Gaur, Librarian, JNU delivered his Invited Talk on, “Managing Knowledge (Information) Resources” and discussed as how the library based resources and services may be spread among the students to make the library a vibrant entity.. Mr. Subash Deshmukh, Librarian, IP university delivered his invited talk on, “Knowledge Management” and emphasized the need to do a Return on Assets assessment for the resources and services they are subscribing. Dr. Naushad Ali from AMU Aligarh presented his contributory paper on, “Subject Information Gateway in Information Technology (SIGIT): An access to quality information resources in IT.

Plenary Session – II

Second Plenary Session was Chaired by Prof. I.V. Malhan and Dr. P.K. Jain, Librarian, IEG was the Co-Chair. Invited talk was delivered by Dr. K.P. Singh of the University of Delhi on **ALLMIS**, an online library professionals’ directory from whole of the India. Three contributory papers were presented by Ms. DimpyHanda on, “Theories of knowledge management”, by Prof.

Rajesh Bajaj on, “Implementation of knowledge driven innovations” and by Mr. Tarvinder Singh Handa on, “Knowledge management in libraries: The process and cycle”. Prof. Bill Cope from University of Illinois, USA delivered his presentation through Skype.

Plenary Session – III

The last session of the day was Chaired by Prof. K.L. Mahwar, Dean, BBAU Lucknow and Dr. Sanjay Kataria from Jaypee Institute, Noida was the Co-Chair. Mr. Rajesh Singh from University of Delhi delivered the Invited Talk on, “Managing information in digital information environment”. He beautifully presented the case study of DULS library system, covering its resources, services and products. There were two contributory presentations in the session; “The open source software for library management: An overview” by Mr. Anil Kumar Jharotia and, “Reaching out to the users with innovative technologies in university libraries: A case study of the Central Library, Jawaharlal University”, by Mr. Mahesh Chand.

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The second and the last day of the conference witnessed 3 invited talks and 3 plenary sessions by Dr. PR Goswami, Dr. Narendar Kumar and Dr. RK Bhatt and presentation of 12 contributed papers.

Wherein it was concurred that Knowledge and innovation are inseparable from each other since they drive economies around the world. Knowledge producers and users endeavor to leverage the ideas, technologies, know-how and expertise on which their competitiveness depends. In simple terms, innovation is the application and transmission of knowledge from research to development and application. Now sharing knowledge through collaborative innovation has become increasingly important. It was further argued that Knowledge management is a developing body of methods, techniques, tools, and values which organizations use to acquire, create, develop, share, transfer and apply knowledge to provide a return on their intellectual assets. For organizations to innovate – and thus sustain competitive advantage – requires the ability to quickly adapt to the business environment and save time-to-market. This adaptation requires learning, problem-solving, and the creation and integration of relevant new knowledge in response to business needs. The core components of KM – People, Process, Content and Technology, are the People component that is increasingly regarded as the lynchpin of successful organizational innovation. Information- as a concept has been considered and contrasted extensively with such terms as data, knowledge, and wisdom.

One of the recurring and common thread which held the discussion together for last 2 days was to have a focused approach on the emerging paradigm of knowledge economy and deftly strategize to leverage its advantages for the common benefit of library users. However the canvas was larger enough to cover other allied areas too . It was indeed a fitting tribute to the demands of our time, concerns of a growing knowledge driven economy to have such large group on a common platform and allow a free flow of arguments and ideas.

The tone and tenor of technical sessions was set by invited talks in each session. While invited speakers held the delegated spell bound by their words of wisdom and knowledge, the other speakers were themselves not far behind. Conference witnessed scores of presentations as contributed papers which covered topics like,

Knowledge Management, Knowledge Representation and Ontologies

- The Knowledge Society and Information Systems
- Knowledge and Ontologies in Information Systems
- Ontologies and Ontology
- Information Systems Knowledge Management and Engineering
- Enterprise Knowledge Management and Engineering
- Natural Language Processing
- Ontology Coupling, Integration and Matching

Businesses

- E-Government strategies, implementation procedures, and case studies
- Technology Transfer, Marketing and Commercialization
- Knowledge Engineering and Discovery
- Information Quality Metrics and Assessment
- E-Commerce issues, trends, and case studies

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

- Innovation Clusters, Technology Transfer and Entrepreneurship
- Leveraging digital skills for Innovation in the Society
- Corporate and Social Entrepreneurship
- Women Entrepreneurs education and development

Paradigms Shift in Librarianship

- Paradigms Shift in collection to content
- Development of E-electronic and Online Information Products
- CMS and Content Development
- Social Networking Sites and Libraries
- Open Source Software
- Open Access Scholarly Publishing

The conference brought together and provided a platform to Management, Information

Technology, Library Information Sciences and Media Professionals, academicians, students and research scholars who presented, discussed and exchanged their experiences and expertise on the current issues pertaining to the theme of the conference.

It was stressed by the speakers that organizations are finding themselves buried in structured and unstructured data, as the use of online data resources, mobile tools, and social networking tools spread, there is growing need to capture, manage and share content and knowledge in new ways. Organizations are looking for solutions to retrieve and manage their content; unfortunately, many organizations lack the systems to do so. There are many interfaces to share information and knowledge content among employees, customers and business partners. The world has become

small due to connectivity, knowledge has become strong currency to trade between individuals and groups, which requires cross-functional planning and expertise through information technology and ultimately it promotes creativity. There's no single tool or software package that captures the imagination of the organization to look into as one stop solution for storing and managing the contents and knowledge and to bring in compatibility between storage devices and human resources.

The intensely held deliberations led to exchanging of ideas and finding out different ways to manage knowledge contents and connect it to the world in more effective and efficient way and explored different modes of available connectivity, which brings in new Paradigm shifts in Knowledge Innovation, Information Representation, Information Management Systems and Librarianship'.

Participating delegates complimented the organizers for organizing such a successful convention and bringing together so many diverse stream at a single platform and discussing issues both in context and threadbare and felt they will go back to their work places much wiser and keep the memories of this 2 day eventful convention alive in their minds and put to test some of the hypothesis presented by the speakers. They emphasized the need for continuing with such kind of endeavor in future too so as to institutional the concept for the larger benefits of information based professionals.