

Papers must be original work of author(s), have not been presented or submitted for consideration elsewhere and written in English or Bahasa Malaysia. The full paper must include:

- name(s) and affiliation of (each) author
- and e-mail address, and a brief biography
- of the presenter(s)
an abstract (250 words or less), written in English
- full text of the paper (less than 5000 words)
- a reference list

ACCEPTED PAPERS WILL BE PUBLISHED in the Conference Proceedings (online). Selected papers would be invited to be published in the Malaysian Journal Library & Information Science, indexed in the Web of Science and Scopus.

Conference Fees

Local Participant (PPM member)
: RM120.00

Local Participant (non PPM member)
: RM150.00

International Participant
: USD50.00

Student
: USD25.00

Important Dates

Paper submission opening: 15 Feb 2021
Paper submission deadline: Extended to
16 May 2021

Decision notification: 28 May 2021
Camera ready: 20 July 2021
Conference: 18 & 19 August 2021

First Call for Papers

THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE IS calling for papers from researchers and practitioners related to “Reimagining Libraries for a Post-Pandemic World”.

PAPERS SHOULD FOCUS ON RESEARCH, IDEA and/or PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES within these topics as well as highlighting novel practices and be of sufficient depth for a 15-20 minute presentation, with time for discussion. Papers will be blind peer reviewed by a panel comprising international LIS professionals, academicians and practitioners.

There is a special track to facilitate the exchange of knowledge between young researchers, in a constructive and welcoming environment. ICoLIS 2021 warmly welcomes postgraduate research students to participate and share their early-stage, or yet fully structured research, within the conference theme and sub- themes.

Due to current travel restrictions, and uncertainty on the date these restrictions will end, it is expected that ICoLIS 2021 will be a virtual conference. We are considering the Opening Ceremony as an on-site event, if possible. All presenters are expected to attend the conference as paying participants; the organizing committee is not able to sponsor any participants.

Guidelines of Full Papers

PROSPECTIVE AUTHORS MUST SUBMIT THE FULL PAPER in MSWord at the conference website :
<https://umconference.um.edu.my/ICOLIS2021>.

ICoLIS 2021

8th International Conference on Libraries, Information and Society

Reimagining Libraries for a Post-Pandemic World

18 & 19 August 2021
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Jointly organized by
University of Malaya Library
&
The Department of
Library and Information Science,
University of Malaya

OBJECTIVES

The aim of the conference is to bring together the Library & Information Science (LIS) professionals to exchange and share new ideas, experiences and research. The main objectives are:

- To provide opportunities for sharing and discussion of the current status, innovations, trends, research, directions, solutions, issues and challenges adopted in the fields of LIS.
- To explore ways and reality-based scenarios in developing new models in library and information services.
- To examine issues related to consolidating technology, information resources, knowledge and skills into strategic competencies in order to strengthen the role of libraries and information in servicing the community.
- To foster cooperation and collaboration among stakeholders, challenge, debate, learn and optimize the contribution of scholarly research, innovative programs and strategies in libraries.

The Theme | Reimagining Libraries for a Post-Pandemic World

The pandemic has brought challenges to library and information services, and LIS practitioners are using this period to rethink its platforms and processes, to be more innovative about how libraries interacts with the users and stakeholders.

ICoLIS 2021 sincerely invites submissions on idea, practice and research in the context of libraries' response during the COVID-19 pandemic and determine their working

practices, services patterns, strategies applied, and role played. We strongly encourage submissions that illuminate or discuss the pandemic's impacts that cross-cut the conference sub-themes:

- Library between tradition, self-conception and public perception: Libraries in modern society, library inclusion and exclusion, user perception.
- Library in the age of digital: Digital libraries, open access repositories, social media, digital humanities, big data and data science, Library 4.0, blockchain technologies.
- Library in the service of society: Digital and information literacy, personalized service and user modelling, embedded librarianship, data science librarian, data stewardship, information specialist.
- Library in the service of scientific information and scholarly communication: Bibliometrics, scientometrics, webometrics, community networks for scientific data, Research data management; Open Science
- Library in the service of practical librarianship: Library administration and management, collection development, marketing library services, measuring service value and impact, protecting and preserving librarianship, disaster management.
- Library in teaching, studying and profession: LIS education and training, professional code of ethics, professional body, quality assurance, accreditation of LIS programmes, MOOC and LIS education, future librarians and future skills.

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