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Summit Venues



Partial view of DIU Permanent Campus at Ashulia



Daffodil Tower at Dharmapada

ISESS 2017



International Summit on Employability & Soft Skills

23-25 March 2017
Daffodil International University
Dhaka, Bangladesh

International participants may pay their registration fees on arrival. However, they must confirm their participation at: summit2017@diu.edu.bd

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Call for Papers

(Best Paper Award @USD 1,000++ per paper on different tracks)

Important Deadlines

Particulars	Deadlines
Submission of Abstract (Max. 250 words)	10 February 2017
Notification of Abstract Acceptance	17 February 2017
Full Paper Submission	28 February 2017
Announcement of Successful Papers	05 March 2017
Early Bird Registration	06 March 2017
Submission of Camera Ready Papers	10 March 2017
Submission of Power-point Slides	12 March 2017
Last Date of Registration	15 March 2017

Areas for Writing Papers

- Papers are invited in the following areas, but not limited to the same:
- Global skills gap and failure of teaching methods to address these gaps
 - Teaching methods that inculcate critical thinking practices and develop ownership
 - Creativity and techniques that engage the brain
 - Employability Vs. Unemployment
 - Hard and Soft Employability Skills
 - Meeting employers' expectations
 - Counseling and mentoring of the students & graduates
 - Designing and developing professional career
 - Training Needs Assessment (TNA)
 - Training of Trainers (ToT)
 - Industry-Academia Relationship
 - Innovative educational products
 - Tertiary education in developing and developed countries
 - Incorporation of soft-skills in the academic curricula – examination of educational products and methods
 - Role of Government, university administration, and faculties for developing graduates
 - Sustainable education for employability and sustainability



All abstracts/papers are to be submitted online as per the following link: <https://summit2017.daffodilvarsity.edu.bd>

Best Paper Award

Best Paper Awards will be declared on different tracks from the submitted papers. Best papers will be selected on the basis of review reports from the panel reviewers. Each best paper winner will receive a Certificate, a Crest, and a monetary amount of USD 1,000 per paper.

Publication Policy

Accepted and presented papers may be published in DIU Journals and the Journals of partnering organizations of the summit subject to the recommendations of the reviewers.

Essence of the Summit

In December 2016, the World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA) published a Call to Action commenting on the current state of the Global Skills Gap with the following concluding statement:

Often ignored when discussing the Global Skills Gap and the Future of Work are the cognitive/non-cognitive skills (soft skills) necessary for success. These skills consist of subjects such as teamwork, empathy, interpersonal relationships, commitment and work ethics. In the Digital Age these skills are not stressed but much in demand.

In a recent survey in Bangladesh, fifty employers commented in resonance that the in demand skills gaps in graduates is that they lack thinking skills, communications skills and a sense of responsibility or ownership. So the greater concern now is whether graduating students are employable rather than the state of unemployment in a country. Cognitive and non-cognitive skills are demanded by any employer wherever the subject of expertise and more so in the fast moving Digital Age.

The purpose of the summit is to address the skills gap by launching educational products and educational methods that inculcate thinking skills, interpersonal skills, personal skills, communication skills and a sense of ownership and responsibility. As such the summit theme is: Developing Employability and Soft Skills among Graduates.

In view of the need of the day, emphasis is on incorporating soft skills in the existing curriculum, re-examining pedagogy that inculcates ownership of learning and develops thinking skills, helps incorporating interpersonal and personal skills. The idea behind the summit is to examine the challenges behind effective development of these skills in students who are habitual rote learners and educational systems that perpetuate such a mind set and thereby play a pivotal role to launch educational products and training of trainers on innovative pedagogy that addresses these issues.

Objectives of the Summit

- To create a platform for the academics, researchers, employers and graduates for networking and discussing the skills gap agenda;
- To share the research innovations and recent developments for improving employability and soft skills among the graduates;
- To provide an avenue for the training of trainers on innovative educational products and projects.
- To allow launching of products through agreements between partnering universities.

Procedures for Paper Submission

Manuscript should be typed with single spacing in Microsoft Word 2003 or higher and should not exceed 7,000 words. Margin should be set at 1" top, 1" bottom, 1.5" left and 1" right. Set tab setting 0.5", so that the first line of paragraph is indented by the amount (except the first paragraph). All text should be left justified, typed using Times New Roman (size 12). The title should be printed in title case, font size 14 and centre aligned.

Indicate table within text. Camera-ready table should be typed flush with the left margin and have proper labeling of sources, column headings and other notation. The table numbers and title should be typed on separate lines. All endnotes should appear before references and it should be kept to minimum. References must be in American Psychological Association (APA) referencing style and references should be carefully checked for completeness, accuracy and consistency.

Authors are required to include a cover page indicating the name(s), address, contact number and e-mail of author(s). An abstract not exceeding 250 words should be enclosed on a separate sheet at the beginning of the text. The format of abstract should provide the purpose, design/methodology/approach, findings, originality/value, a maximum of six keywords that will assist in indexing the paper and paper type.

Registration Fees

Category of Participants	Registration Fees per person	Early Bird Payment (by 06 March 2017)
Bangladeshi	Paper presenters	BDT 1,500
	General participation	BDT 3,000
	Students	BDT 1,500
International	Paper presenters	USD 200
	General participation	USD 250

DIU participants & partnering organizations will get 20% waiver on the registration fees.

Registration fees will cover summit materials, food and transport facility from DIU Main Campus (Shukrabad) to Permanent Campus (Ashulia) and return to city during the Summit. The summit activities will take place on the 1st day in the DIU permanent campus and on 2nd & 3rd days in the Daffodil Tower at main campus. Pick & drop facilities from and to the airport will be arranged for the international participants. Accommodations on payment are available within or nearby the university campus.

Registration Process

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DIU Bank account Information

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