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## IRC OUSL 2026

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**IRC**  
**OUSL 2026**

## INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE OF THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA 2026



**"Adaptive Intelligence:  
Research pathways for  
innovation, resilience  
and impact"**

**11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>  
November 2026**

**As a Hybrid Conference\***

The organizing committee of IRC-OUSL 2026 is pleased to invite academics and researchers to submit their research findings to be presented at the sessions

*\*Online presentations are restricted to overseas participants*



## International Research Conference of The Open University of Sri Lanka 2026

International Research Conference of The Open University of Sri Lanka 2026 (IRC-OUSL 2026) will be held on 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November 2026. These Sessions offer a unique forum for academics and researchers both within Sri Lanka and overseas to present and discuss their research findings in a wide range of disciplines. The Organizing Committee of IRC-OUSL 2026 is pleased to invite academics and researchers to submit their research findings to be presented at the sessions.

### SESSION THEMES

Abstracts can be submitted under the following themes:

- Open and Distance Learning
- Quality Assurance for Higher Education
- English Language Teaching
- Education
- Engineering and Technology
- Health Sciences
- Life Sciences - Biological Sciences  
Agriculture and Forestry
- Physical Sciences
- Environmental Sciences
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Management
- Law

### IMPORTANT DATES

Call for Abstracts & Extended Abstracts  
**15th April – 15th June 2026**

Notification of Acceptance of Abstracts &  
Extended Abstracts  
**01st July 2026**

Early-Bird Registration  
**01st July – 15th August 2026**

Submission of Camera Ready Copy  
**15th – 30th September 2026**

Regular Registration  
**01st – 30th September 2026**

IRC-OUSL 2026 Conference Dates  
**11th, 12th & 13th November 2026**

### REGISTRATION FEE

|                         | Local Participants | Foreign Participants |
|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Early Bird Registration | Rs. 2000.00        | US\$ 150.00          |
| Regular Registration    | Rs. 3000.00        | US\$ 200.00          |

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for payment mode details

### General Guidelines

- Authors should submit blind abstracts and extended abstracts (NOT including authors' names) through the Microsoft CMT online Submission system (<https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/IRCOUSL2026>), and details of ALL AUTHORS must be added to the Authors section of the CMT Conference Management Toolkit submission page.
- Authors should ensure the use of template of extended abstract, which can be downloaded in the IRC-OUSL 2026 official webpage, leaving sufficient space to add names of authors and their affiliations.
- Research work presented or published elsewhere will not be considered.
- If plagiarism is detected, abstracts will be rejected without further consideration.
- Editorial Board reserves the right to change the theme of the Abstract selected by the authors to a more relevant theme, if necessary.
- Authors should send the Author Declaration Form signed by all the authors, to be received by the Research Unit of OUSL at the time of submission of abstracts

### Proceedings will be indexed in Google Scholar

#### Doctoral Colloquium

IRC-OUSL 2026 Doctoral Colloquium offers a unique opportunity to doctoral students to showcase their research and receive constructive feedback on their research

#### 3MT Competition

We invite all the PhD/MPhil/DBA students to present your thesis in just 3 minutes with the aid of a single slide

#### Full Paper Invitation

OUSL Journal Special Issue  
Authors of selected abstracts will be invited to submit full papers for a special issue of the OUSL Journal (Indexed in DOAJ and ASCI)

*Abstracts will be published as conference proceedings and peer reviewed extended abstracts will be published online*