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PRE-CONFERENCE WEBINARS & WORKSHOPS

9th November 2026				
Time	**Faculty/Institute/Centre**	**Topic**	**Resource person/s**	**Contact Details of the Coordinating Person/s**
9.00 - 10.30 am	Faculty of Education	'' POLICIES, PRACTICES AND NEW TRENDS IN SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION''	Ms. R. K. Rashika Deputy Director, Non Formal & Special Needs Education Branch Ministry of Education Ms. Samantha Gunathilaka Director, Non Formal & Special Needs Education Branch, Ministry of Education	Mr. Chandana Fernando TP: 0714497096 More Details…
10.30 am- 12.00 noon	Faculty of Health Sciences	'' POPULATION DECLINE IN SRI LANKA: KEY DRIVERS AND CONTRIBUTING FACTORS ''	Professor W. Indralal De Silva Emeritus Professor of Demography and the former Chair Professor of Demography	Dr. G.N. Dilrukshi (Theme Convenor - Faculty of Health Sciences) More Details…
1.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences	''CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES TO INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW''	Prof. Prbhash Ranjan Professor at the Jindal Global Law School and Vice Dean (Research), Director – Centre for International Investment and Trade Laws	Ms. Niroshika LIyana MUhandiram (Theme convener - Social Science) More Details…
2.30 - 4.00 pm	Centre for Environmental Studies and Sustainable Development (CESSD)	CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER SECURITY IN SRI LANKA: CHALLENGES FOR FISHERIES, IRRIGATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	Dr. Sareeha Nadaraja	Dr. Yohan Mahagamage (Convener/Coordinator) Sub-Theme: Environmental Sciences TP: 0716368816 More Details…

10th November 2026				
9.00 - 10.30 am	Faculty of Engineering Technology	‘’ INTRODUCTION TO INTEGRAL SUSTAINABILITY ’’	Dr. Chandana Kulasooriya Senior Lecturer Department of Civil Engineering Faculty of Engineering Technology	Mr. D.S. Wickramasinghe (Theme convenor - Engineering Technology) More Details…
10.30 am- 12.00 noon	The International Relations Unit (IRU)	‘‘ THE HAPTIC ADVANTAGE: CO-DESIGNING TOUCH-CENTRED INCLUSIVE ADAPTIVE HAPTICS FOR GREATER USER IMMERSION’’	Dr Lisa Bowers Department of Engineering and Innovation, STEM Faculty, The Open University, Milton Keynes, United Kingdom	The Open University, UK More Details…
1.00 – 2.30 pm	Faculty of Management	‘‘TOUCH-CENTRED INCLUSIVE ADAPTIVE HAPTICS’’	Mr. Priyantha Dissanayake – Chief Operating Officer (COO) of DIMO Healthcare and Head of Services – Healthcare at Diesel & Motor Engineering PLC (DIMO) in Sri Lanka.	Ms. Harini Perera TP: 0716645638 Theme Convener - Management Studies More Details…
2.30 - 4:00 pm	Faculty of Natural Sciences	‘‘MANGROVE UNDER SALINITY STRESS: CHALLENGES , ADAPTATIONS AND COASTAL RESILIENCE”	Dr. Wasana de Silva Senior Lecturer Department of Plant and Molecular Biology University of Kelaniya	Prof. K.A.R.S. Perera Theme Convener - Life Sciences – Biological Sciences More Details…