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ETDs in the Age of AI

29th International Symposium on Electronic Theses and Dissertations

23 -25 October 2026 | IIT Delhi, India

About ETD

The 29th International Symposium on Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD-2026) is being organised by the Central Library, IIT Delhi, in association with NDLTD during October 23-25, 2026. The theme, "ETDs in the Age of AI" aims to foster discussions on the role of artificial intelligence in ETD lifecycle management, discoverability, and reproducibility, and will also host an Ideathon (Live Collaborative Library Innovation Challenge) to promote collaborative, practice-oriented innovation.

About the Host

Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

IIT Delhi is one of India's premier institutions for education and research in science, engineering, technology, and interdisciplinary studies. Established in 1961 and recognised as an Institution of National Importance, IIT Delhi is also designated as an Institution of Eminence (IoE) by the Government of India.

About NDLTD

The Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations is an international non-profit organization promoting the adoption, creation, use, dissemination, and preservation of electronic theses and dissertations. It supports electronic publishing, open access, and global knowledge sharing, enhancing the visibility and accessibility of graduate research.

Conference Theme	
01	Foundations & Infrastructure for Next-Gen ETDs
02	The Evolving ETD Lifecycle
03	AI in Thesis Creation & Scholarly Writing
04	AI-Enhanced Metadata, Discovery & Access
05	Analytics, Metrics & Research Impact
06	Ethical, Legal & Responsible AI in ETDs
07	Innovative, Dynamic & Interactive ETDs
08	ETD Consortia, Institutions & Support Systems
09	Policy, Standards & Governance for the Global ETD Ecosystem
10	The Future of ETDs in the Age of AI

Keynote Speakers

Prof. Ponnuramgum Kumaraguru
Visiting Scientist, Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), Govt. of India

Mr. Kanwaljeet Singh Arora
AI & Blockchain, Consultant Trainer, Gurugram, Haryana, India

Mr. Julien Masanes
Co-founder, Internet Archive Europe

Ms. Shameem Nilofar Maideen
University Librarian, Singapore Management University, Singapore

Inaugural Address

Prof. Edward A. Fox
Professor of Computer Science
Virginia Tech, USA

Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh C Gaur
Professor & Dean
Faculty of Arts & South Asian University, Delhi

Prof. Devika Madalli
Director
INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, India

Dr. Leslie Weir
IFLA President 2025-2027 & Librarian and Archivist, Library and Archives Canada

Speakers

- **Prof. A.R.D. Prasad**, Former Professor, DRTC (ISI), Bangalore, India
- **Dr. Akhtar Parvez**, University Librarian, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi
- **Mr. Arend Kuester**, Country Manager, Springer Nature, India
- **Prof. Arjun Ghosh**, Professor, HUSS, IIT Delhi
- **Dr. Dinesh K. S.**, Librarian & Registrar, IIT Ropar, India
- **Dr. Hafsa Ahmad**, Scientist D, Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser, Government of India
- **Dr. Jagdish Arora**, Ex Director, INFLIBNET, Gandhinagar, India
- **Prof. Jean-Charles Lamirel**, Senior Lecturer, University of Strasbourg, France
- **Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy**, Chief Librarian & In-charge, PCM Memorial Museum & Archive,Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, India
- **Dr. Kshema Prakash**, Librarian at the English and Foreign Languages University (EFLU), Telangana, India
- **Dr. Manju Naika**, Chief Library Officer, IIT Bombay, India
- **Mr. Manoj Kumar K**, Scientist F-CS, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, India

- **Mr. Mohamad Mostafa**, Community Specialist, DataCite, Hannover, Germany
- **Dr. Saiful Amin**, Director, Semantic Consulting Services Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru, India
- **Dr. Nihar K. Patra**, Librarian, Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, India
- **Prof. Parthasarathi Mukhopadhyay**, Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kalyani, India
- **Dr. Ramesh Yernagula**, Director (L&I), Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India
- **Dr. Sandeep Kumar Pathak**, Librarian, IISER Bhopal, India
- **Dr. Sangeeta Kaul**, Director, DELNET, New Delhi, India
- **Dr. Shantanu Ganguly**, Director (Library Operations), HDFC Library, Ashoka University, Haryana, India
- **Dr. Tamal Kumar Guha**, Librarian, Lakshminath Bezbaroa Central Library, IIT Guwahati, India
- **Dr. Usha Mujoo Munshi**, Chief Librarian, India International Centre, New Delhi, India
- **Dr. Wasim Arif**, Associate Prof., NIT Silchar, India

ETD Workshop

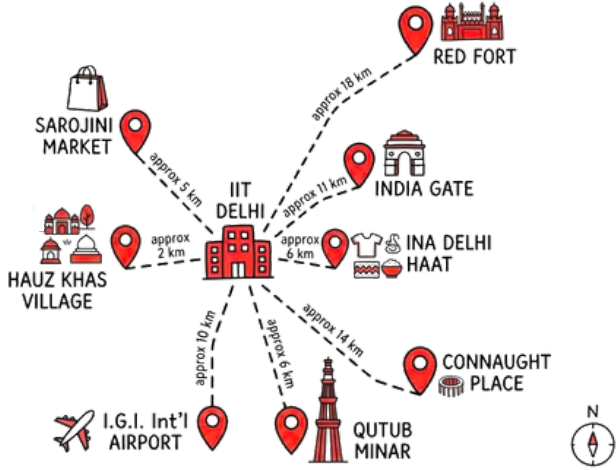


Ms. Jennifer Gibson
Executive Director, Dryad

A focused working session led by Dryad on open research data publishing, curation, preservation, metadata quality, discovery, and practical approaches for making research data reusable. Dryad is a non-profit open data publishing platform supporting curation, preservation, sharing, and reuse of research data across disciplines.

11:11 – 13:00 hrs
Interactive Format

Nearby places



- National Museum
- Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya
- National Rail Museum
- Humayun’s Tomb
- Purana Quila
- Lodi Garden
- ISKCON Temple

- Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU)
- Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Delhi
- National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), Delhi
- National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT)
- Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)
- National Social Science Documentation Centre (NASSDOC)
- Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University
- Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)

Places and Amenities

- **Location:** 320-acre green campus in Hauz Khas, South Delhi.
- **Primary Access:** Gate 1 (Main Gate) on the Outer Ring Road.
- **Metro Connectivity:** Next to the **IIT Delhi Metro Station** (Magenta Line), Yellow line (Hauz Khas).
- **Local commutation:** E-Ricksaw, E-Cart Vehicle (Spl. Abled), Bus
- **Main Building:** Administrative offices and the multi-storied Central Library.
- **Dogra Hall:** The iconic, barrel-roofed main auditorium.
- **Lecture Hall Complex (LHC):** The central hub for undergraduate smart classrooms.
- **Guest Houses:** Gulmohor, RNI Park
- **Dining & Shopping:** Main Market, and popular cafes (CCD, Nescafé, Naivedyam, Rajdhani, SGF, Isthara)
- **Night canteens:** Nilgiri, Satpura
- **Healthcare:** 24/7 on-site **IITD Hospital** for emergencies, Apollo pharmacy

Visitors Parking

- Visitor Parking is 800 m away from the main building, opposite to Rajdhani (Chatkare Foods)
- If you have a driver, you may drop off directly opposite the Main Building before the driver takes the car to the parking.
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