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On

**Theme: The Expanding Frontiers of Knowledge**



*What is important is to accept that the discovery of the truth is a great good in itself, and that the only real remedy for the evil consequences, whether of ignorance or of knowledge, is more knowledge: clearer understanding of what is involved, of what is worth pursuing, of means and ends, consequences and their value.' (Berlin:1998)*

Equinox 2022 looks at the question of how the frontiers of knowledge in natural and social sciences are being shaped in relation to existential questions of life itself. It explores the paradigm shifts in the quest of knowledge. Underlying this question is the understanding that the pursuit of knowledge has value in itself. The legitimacy of this pursuit comes from the sense of wonder and curiosity to know. This sense deepens the search. The deepening of the search extends frontiers by revisiting issues that have been debated for years; by addressing new questions that emerge from different social contexts and by exploring the conditions that make life and living possible.

Multidisciplinary work within, as well as across, social and natural sciences is creating knowledge to overcome the fragmentation of super-specialization with holistic perspectives that looks at living interconnections between man and nature. Nature is increasingly being included in the equation of the well being of mankind. The anthropogenic approach to understand nature is being questioned. There are efforts underway in both the sciences to include life experiences, the voices and language of people marginalized either economically or politically or socially or intellectually or all of these. New knowledge is being generated for revitalization of people and landscapes suffering from increasing violence, lifestyle diseases, pandemics, indebtedness, climate change, deforestation, scarcity of potable water, of land, of habitat, to name a few. What are these new frontiers? What is the nature of this knowledge? Are interdisciplinary forums inclusive of marginalized people and worldviews? Do these modes of inclusion critique super-specialization and uphold holism? Is the pursuit of knowledge only for utilitarian purposes? Or, is it a mode of being in the world? How does a University enable engagement with these questions? These are some of the questions to reflect on as we celebrate the centenary year of the University of Delhi.

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## REGISTRATION DETAILS

- Last date of Registration and Abstract submission: **July 30, 2022**
- Registration fee:**  
**Indian delegates:** Students: INR 250; Faculty/Scientists: INR 750  
**Foreign Delegates:** Students: USD 10; Faculty/Scientists: USD 50
- Link for Registration-cum-abstract submission form:**  
<https://forms.gle/8hGBysapsm9Ffagm9>
- There is no registration fee for attending the conference.**

## MODE OF PAYMENT

- Registration fee is to be paid via NEFT to the following account:
  - ⇒ **Name of the Bank:** Punjab National Bank (PNB)
  - ⇒ **Branch:** Maitreyi College, Bapudham Complex, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi- 110021
  - ⇒ **Name of the Account Holder:** Principal, Maitreyi College
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  - ⇒ **IFSC Code:** PUNB0615000; **MICR Code:** 110024488
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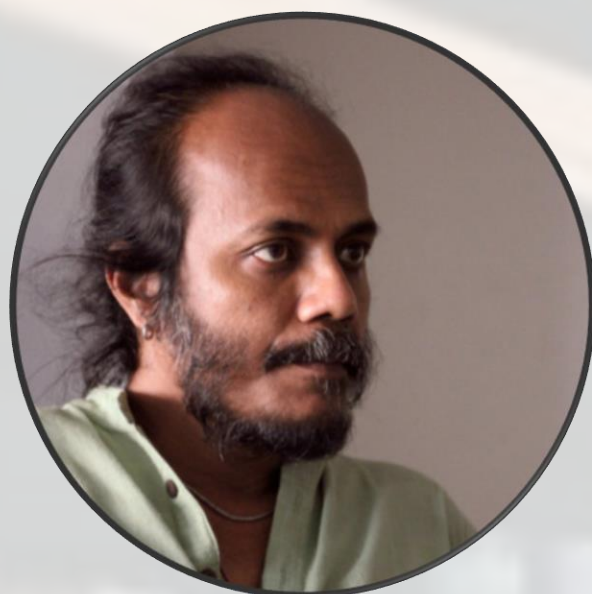
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## INVITED SPEAKERS



**Prof. Miguel**  
Duke University, United States

**Title of the talk:**  
Man-machine interface



**Prof. Manosh Choudhury**  
Jahangirnagar University,  
Bangladesh

**Title of the talk:**  
Academia and the Regimes: On  
Underpreparedness of the Scholars in  
Understanding Neo-Liberal Actors



**Prof. K. Muralidhar**  
Former Jawaharlal Chair,  
University of Hyderabad; India

**Title of the talk:**  
Ethics of biology education and  
ethics in biology research in India:  
A philosophical and sociological perspective



**Prof. Amalendu Jyotishi**  
Azim Premji University,  
Bangalore, India

**Title of the talk:**  
Fish for food OR Fish for Feed

**Prof. Imrana Qadir (Retd.)**  
Jawaharlal Nehru University,  
Delhi, India

**Title of the talk:**  
Revisiting perspectives in public  
health for people's health and  
wellbeing



**Prof. Ritambhara Hebbar,**  
Tata Institute of Social  
Sciences, Mumbai, India

**Title of the talk:**  
End of the Road: Tribes and  
Anthropological Enterprise



**Prof. Aarti Grover**  
School of Planning and  
Architecture, Delhi, India

**Title of the talk:**  
Eco-Restoration: The key to a  
Sustainable Future



**Prof. Anindya Sinha,**  
National Institute of Advanced  
Studies, IISc, Bangalore, India

**Title of the talk:**  
The Monkey in the Mirror:  
Thinking about the Urban Macaques of India



**Sopan Joshi,**  
Author and Journalist, India

**Title of the talk:**  
Why we fail to understand  
climate change



**Prof. Prabhat Ranjan,**  
Vice-Chancellor,  
DY Patil International University,  
Pune, India

**Title of the talk:**  
Nuclear Fusion: Dream Source of  
Energy???



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**SUGGESTED SUBTHEMES (NOT LIMITED TO)**

- Innovations in inclusive education
- The predicaments of climate change and scientific research
- Knowledge systems for the restoring and revitalizing the ecosystem
- Artificial and Human intelligence and the information processing
- Revisiting medical knowledge for public health and well being
- Architectural education for designing living structure
- Drug designing and novel therapies
- Understanding life : Computational and systemic biology
- Critical frontiers in social anthropology
- History writing when people matter
- History of Science
- Alternative narratives: Dalit literature and the transmission of knowledge from below
- Expansion of knowledge in women's and gender studies,
- Expanding the Frontiers of Population Nutrition Research,
- New frontiers sciences eg, synergies among synthetic biology, nanotechnology, 3D&4D printing, robotics, and the advent of AI, quantum computing,
- Advances in Social Media Research
- Knowledge management convergence – expanding learning frontiers,
- Expanding the Frontiers of Accounting Knowledge,
- Expanding the frontiers of learning in educational institutions,
- Expanding frontiers of knowledge in Kinship,
- Research methodologies
- Indigenous knowledge systems

## CALL FOR PAPERS

FROM

**FACULTY/SCIENTISTS/ RESEARCHERS/  
SCHOLARS/STUDENTS**

**(Platform/Poster presentation:  
Online Mode)**

### Abstract Guidelines

**Structured abstract:** Genesis, methodology, results, discussion, conclusion.

Times New Roman; spacing: 1.5; word limit: 350; Title of paper: font 14, bold, Capitalize each word (noun); Authors and affiliations: The affiliation should include address of the institute where the work was carried out (font 12); Address, email and phone number of corresponding author: font 12; Key words: 4-5.

**Intimation about selected papers:**  
August 5, 2022.

**The full length papers may be published in the October, 2022 issue of our e-journal Vantage: Journal of Thematic Analysis, after peer-review.**

## PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

### Day 1 (Aug 11, 2022)

#### Inaugural Session (10:00 am-11:05 am) Hybrid Mode

10:00-10:05 am	Lamp lighting
10:05-10:10 am	Welcome by Convenor
10:10-10:20 am	Address by Prof. Haritma Chopra
10:20-10:25 am	Address by Mr. Vaibhav Shrivastava, Chairperson, Governing Body
10:25-10:30 am	Address by Prof. K. Saraswathi, Former Chairperson, GB
10:30-11:00 am	Address by Prof. Yogesh Singh, Chief Guest (VC, DU)
11:00-11:05 am	Vote of thanks (Convenor)
11.05-11:30 am	<b>High Tea</b>
12:00-12:30 pm	<b>Keynote lecture: Prof. K.Muralidhar</b> <b>Title of talk:</b> <i>Ethics of Biology Education and Ethics in Biology Research in India- A Philosophical and Sociological Perspective</i>
12:30-12:45 pm	Interaction
12:45-1:30 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:30-2:00 pm	<b>Prof. Manosh Choudhury</b> <b>Title of talk:</b> <i>Academia and the Regimes: On Underpreparedness of the Scholars in Understanding Neo-Liberal Actors</i>
2:00-2:15 pm	Interaction
2:15-2:45 pm	<b>Sopan Joshi</b> <b>Title of talk:</b> <i>Why we fail to understand climate change?</i>
2:45-3:00 pm	Interactive Session
3:00 pm onwards	<b>Platform Presentations (Faculty)</b>





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Day 2 (Aug 12, 2022)	
10:00-10:30 am	<b>Dr. Imrana Qadir</b> Title of the talk: <i>Revisiting perspectives in public health for people's health and wellbeing</i>
10:30-10:45 am	Interactive Session
10:45-11:15 am	<b>Prof Amalendu Jyotishi</b> Title of the talk: <i>Fish for food OR Fish for Feed</i>
11:15-11:30 am	Interactive Session
11:30-11:45 am	Break
11:45-12:15 pm	<b>Prof. Anindya Sinha</b> Title of the talk: <i>The Monkey in the Mirror: Thinking about the Urban Macaques of India</i>
12:15-12:30 pm	Interactive Session
12:30-1:00 pm	<b>Prof. Aarti Grover</b> Title of the talk: <i>Eco-Restoration: The key to a Sustainable Future</i>
1:00-1:15 pm	Interactive session
1:15-2:30 pm	Lunch/Poster Session
2:30 pm onwards	Platform Presentations (Students)
5:00-5:30 pm	<b>Prof. Miguel Nicolelis</b> Title of the talk: <i>Brain-Machine</i>
5:30-5:45 pm	Interactive session

Day 3 (Aug 13, 2022)	
9.00-9:30 am	<b>Dr Ritambhara Hebbar</b> Title of the talk: <i>End of the Road: Tribes and Anthropological Enterprise</i>
9:30-9:45 am	Interactive session
9:45-10:00 am	Break
Valedictory Session	
10:00-10:30 am	<b>Prof. Prabhat Ranjan</b> Title of the talk: <i>Nuclear Fusion: Dream Source of Energy???</i>
10:30-10:45 am	Interactive Session
10:45-11:00 am	Winners announcement
11:00-11:30 am	Feedback Session
11:30-11:45 am	Vote of Thanks by Gopi D Tripathy

## CONTACT US

- For further details about the conference, please visit the Equinox 2022 website:  
<https://sites.google.com/maitreyi.du.ac.in/equinox2022/home>
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