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Announcement

The ISSI School on Scientometrics 2027

The International Society for Scientometrics and Informetrics (ISSI) and Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham will host the ISSI School on Scientometrics 2027 from 8 to 12 March 2027 at Amrita's Faridabad campus in NCR Delhi. This is the first official ISSI School and will serve as a pilot for future editions. It is open to participants worldwide, with a particular focus on the Global South.

The five-day, hands-on school aims to build capacity in scientometrics, evidence-based STI policy research and the responsible use of metrics. The curriculum has four pillars: reproducible retrieval and analysis of bibliographic data; evaluating STI evidence for policy; responsible use of indicators, based on DORA and the Leiden Manifesto; and social network analysis and domain mapping. Each participant will complete a mentored capstone project on a question from their own institution. Participants will also get access to international database Web of Science/Scopus during the school.

The keynote speakers are Abhay Karandikar (Member, NITI Aayog; former Secretary, DST), Shivkumar Kalyanaraman (CEO, Anusandhan National Research Foundation), Shekhar C. Mande (President, INSA; former Director General, CSIR; subject to confirmation) and Bhavani Rao R. (UNESCO Chair on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, Amrita). The resource persons are Wolfgang Glänzel (ISSI Secretary-Treasurer; Editor-in-Chief, Scientometrics), Sujit Bhattacharya (Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Scientometric Research; Adjunct Professor, Amrita), Gangan Prathap (former Vice Chancellor, CUSAT), Ki-Seok Kwon (Professor, Hanbat National University, South Korea) and Vivek Kumar Singh (University of Delhi; Senior Advisor, NITI Aayog). Hands-on lab sessions will be mentored by Anurag Kanaujia (CSIR-NIScPR), Prashasti Singh (Delhi University) and Sanjoy Kar (ISID, Kolkata), together with database specialists from Web of Science and/or Scopus. A round table on S&T indicators brings together senior practitioners, including Ashok Jain (CSIR-NISTADS), Praveen Arora (DST), K. C. Garg (CSIR-NISTADS), Shailendra Singh (UNESCO), Arvind Kumar (DST), Geeta Vani Rayasam (CSIR-NIScPR) and Raghu Raman (UNESCO Co-Chair, Amrita).

The school is open to two groups: practitioners, such as science managers, policy analysts, librarians and data scientists, and researchers, such as PhD scholars, postdocs and early-career scholars. Fees are tiered by country income group, and concessional rates apply to low- and middle-income countries. Applications close on 5 December 2026, and selections will be announced on 15 December 2026. Details and registration are available at https://www.amrita.edu/events/scientometrics-2027/.

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