



AUSTRALIA-INDIA WORKSHOP: DIGITAL HUMANITIES AND INTELLIGENT FUTURES

DAY ONE: MONDAY, 30 OCTOBER

14:00-14:15
AEDT

Welcome by A/Prof. Adrian Athique, University of Queensland and A/Prof. Haripriya Rangan, Australia India Institute

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Society in the Loop: Observability and the Digital Humanities for Automation and AI. The ARC Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society aims to create the knowledge and strategies necessary for responsible, ethical, and inclusive automated decision-making.

Speaker: Distinguished Professor Julian Thomas, ADM+S Director

15:00-15:30
AEDT

Breakout discussion: Comparable issues. This session focuses on identifying and exploring comparable challenges that India and Australia face in the realms of digital humanities and intelligent futures. As both nations boast rich cultural diversity and are navigating the complexities of technological advancements, this discussion aims to highlight potential avenues for collaborative research.

Moderator: Prof. P. Vigneswara Ilavarasan, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

15:30-16:00
AEDT

Virtual tea break

16:00-17:00
AEDT

Unnati Research Collaboration Grants. The Australia India 'Unnati' Research Collaboration Grants recipients present on projects including a digital map designed for women's safety; an online gateway to the history and heritage of Shillong; and efforts to strengthening Australia-India cybersecurity partnership for digital innovation.

Speakers: Dr. Kamaljeet Sandhu, University of New England; A/Prof. Sundeep Kumar, Manipal Academy of Higher Education; and Dr Mitchell Harrop, University of Melbourne

17:00-17:30
AEDT

Breakout discussion: Topics, frameworks and opportunities. This session is designed to delve into potential collaborative topics, frameworks, and avenues for cooperation between India and Australia in digital humanities and intelligent futures. The focus is on identifying common research interests, effective collaboration frameworks, and promising areas for joint ventures, bringing together diverse perspectives from both nations.

Moderators: A/Prof Adrian Athique & A/Prof. Pradip Thomas, University of Queensland



DAY TWO: TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER

14:00-14:45 AEDT	<p>Bodies on biometric duties: Locating children in a datafied welfare state. Globally, biometric data practices are entrenched as promissory notes of assurance to alleviate the administrative anxieties of aid and welfare programs. In this talk, Assistant Professor Preeti Mudliar will draw on ethnographic work coupled with data obtained through a right to information application on India's biometric linked food security process, to direct attention to children's presence in the biometric welfare state. She will show how children's bodies, their time, and their natural acquiescence to adults are essential for the biometric infrastructure to function.</p> <p>Speaker: Assistant/Prof. Preeti Mudliar, International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore</p>
14:45-15:30 AEDT	<p>Generative AI – opportunities and challenges for tech, ethics and law. The Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Digital Ethics (CAIDE) facilitates cross-disciplinary research, teaching and leadership on the ethical, technical, regulatory and legal issues relating to Artificial Intelligence (AI) and digital technologies.</p> <p>Speaker: Prof. Jeannie Paterson, Director, Centre for AI and Digital Ethics, University of Melbourne</p>
15:30-16:00 AEDT	<p>Breakout discussion: Channels and opportunities for bilateral collaboration. This session concentrates on opportunities for bilateral collaboration specifically in humanities and social sciences. The discussions will unearth shared research interests, fostering cross-cultural exchanges and knowledge advancement in these disciplines.</p> <p>Moderator: Prof. Ian Hall, Griffith Asia Institute</p>
16:00-16:30 AEDT	Virtual tea break
16:30-17:30 AEDT	<p>Panel: Digital Humanities and Intelligence Futures research in India. This panel explores the field of Digital Humanities and Intelligence Futures research in India, and discusses significant contemporary research trajectories and concerns. Organised through the Technology and Society Cluster at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.</p> <p>Speakers: A/Prof. Naveen Thayyil, IIT Delhi; Prof. Maya Dodd, FLAME Centre for Legislative Education and Research; Prof. Nirmala Menon, IIT Indore; Prof. Arjun Ghosh, IIT Delhi.</p>
17:30-18:00 AEDT	Closing remarks by A/Prof. Adrian Athique, University of Queensland and A/Prof. Haripriya Rangan, Australia India Institute