



# CABCIN

International Conference  
On  
Professional Development of Instructors in  
Higher Education & Training  
Institutions 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018

## REPORT

### The first IPDIH 2018:

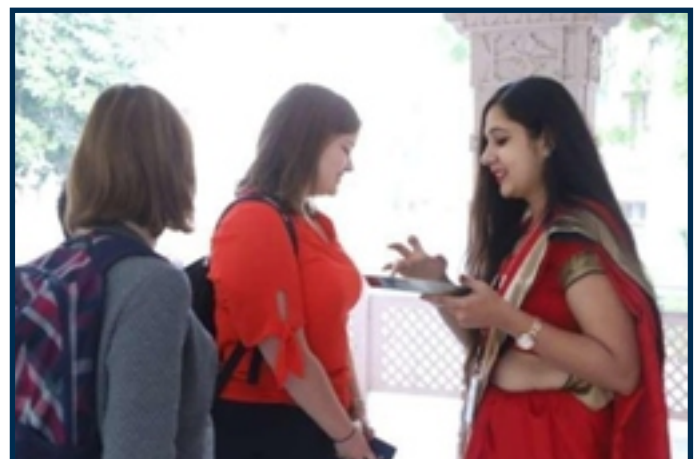
International Conference on the theme 'Professional Development of Instructors in Higher Education and Training Institutions' under the aegis of CABCIN, A European Union Funded Initiative' was hosted at Parul University, India on 12th and 13th December 2018. More than 100 delegates, from esteemed universities across the globe enthusiastically participated in the international conference. The Conference highlighted the role and importance of professional development programs in enhancing quality of education in higher education institutions. Hence was organized with the joint efforts of Parul University and other four Indian Partner Universities, which was co-funded by Erasmus+ European Union. The IPDIH 2018 was an amalgamation of knowledge & culture of 10 different Universities, five European Universities and five Indian Universities, in which the intellectuals and experts from all over the world have presented 58 research papers under five sub themes mentioned below:

1. New Trends in Training Methods
2. Approaches and Tools Teaching with Technology
3. Developing Trainers' Soft Skills
4. Assessing Teaching and Learning
5. Designing Training Programs and Curricula for Trainings

IPDIH -2018 rightly provided a unique global platform for scholarly discussion on good practices connected with the role of an instructor in teaching & learning process. Moreover, it served as an invaluable source of knowledge and inspiration in the fields covered by the sub-themes of the conference. Participants, Scientific Committee Members and Consortium Partners from Europe, Asia and other parts of the world, made it truly an amalgamation of cultural, intellectual and international academic feast at the conference.

### Welcome and Registration

The day 1 of the conference began with the auspicious visit to the temple in the university campus by the delegates after their arrival. The participants were welcomed traditionally with garlands and Kum kum tilak by the host university delegates.



This was followed by Special Photo shoot to capture the historical golden moment as the golden memories of conference. Thereafter the participants were directed to the registration counter.



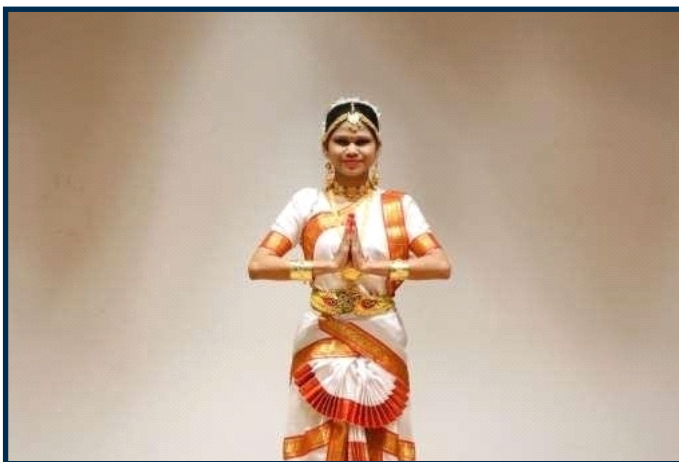
### Inauguration

The Conference was made open to the delegates with a grand inaugural function, which was organized at magnificent Central Auditorium of Parul University. The conference Inauguration was traditionally done with Lamp Lighting Ceremony followed by Sarasvati Vandana dance.

The honorable President of Parul University Dr. Devanshu Patelfelicitated the Conference Chair-Persons' with a memento as a token of affection and appreciation. Kamila Ludwikowska Wroclaw University of Science and Technology Poland, Patricia Rosado Pinto Universidade Nova de Lisboa Portugal, Martin Valcke Ghent University Belgium, Mr. Mohit Patel RK University chaired the conference to do the honors with their experience and expertise.

Chief of Scientific Committee, Kamila Ludwikowska, Wroclaw University of Science and Technology, Poland opened the conference proceeding with welcome address. She discussed on the aim, objective and versioned outcomes of the Erasmus+ project and need as well as significance of the CABCIN project; its idea, action plan and execution. She emphasized on the Creation of Job Opportunities, People to People Contact, Modernization of Education, Skills, Quality Education and Recognition of Education and the EU Declaration policy of Education and Collaborative Policies. She also stressed that there is a need of hand in hand efforts for modernization of institution to help the students to be successful, provision of labor aligned quality education and global exchange of thought and ideas was highlighted as the base of this project which is supported by EU.

Strengthening the capacity and quality of teaching in India, increasing internationalization, modernization and fostering the sustainable quality enhancement of teaching in Indian higher education institutions, sharing and developing innovative quality program and practices of teaching & learning process, providing a global platform as an invaluable source of knowledge and inspiration was emphasized as the main objective of the project - CABGIN in the speech. Experience at Manipal cluster meeting in India and the message by the EU ambassador on strategic collaborations between EU and India was the key highlight of her address. Eventual surprise of the special address of the ambassador of European Union for India from the embassy was the golden moment of the conference. The ambassador of European Union for India & Bhutan, through the video clip have greeted the Conference and expressed his regards to the EU and Indian Universities for the educational project.



Dr. Devanshu Patel, the host, IPDIH 2018, president of Parul University delivered the keynote address for the conference. Beginning with the Elbert Einstein's story, which threw the light of Indians simplicity and smartness of knowledge, the difference between 1970's classrooms and 21st century classroom in India was narrated impressively in his speech. The importance of teachers' role in education, and modernization as well as globalization based standardized quality techno-advancement of teacher was advocated through his speech. The Provocation of 'soft skills as an eminent tool, just like plain colorless sponge to absorb the diversity of students learning dimension's shades, so that the rainbow-colored sponge of self-exploration shines as a whole was guided by him.. Through the series of different engaging short - stories, Mr. President encompassed the need of education for all, reason behind the educational problems such as drop - out and suggested possible alternatives as the sustainable ways to overcome the challenges specifically for the needy and deprived student's development. The other dignitaries from dais expressed their gratitude and regards in their speeches. Patricia Rosado Pinto from Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Portugal, shared the words of greeting and regards and also expressed her views and expectation from the CABCIN project and conference. Martin Valcke from Gent University, Belgium, emphasized on the professional development of the teacher & also underlined the changed role of teacher as a researcher. He also expressed his gratitude to Kamila for the idea of CABCIN and greeted team CABCIN for its extra ordinary initiative.

Mohit Patel appreciated the insight role of conference for Extension of CABCIN Project in culture exchange advancement with Higher Education quality enhancement



## Technical Sessions

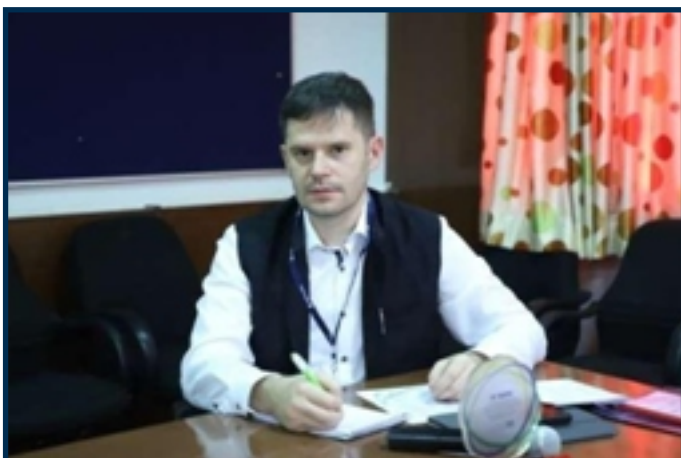
The heart of the conference, presentations of research papers was held during the technical

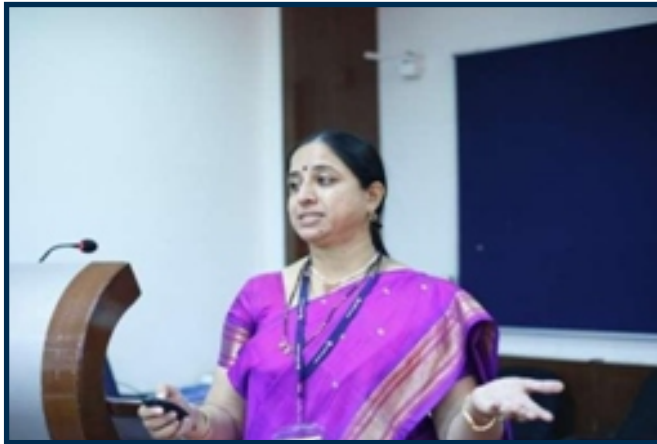


Sessions. This was organized in four technically sound seminar halls of Parul University. More than nine different countries' intellectuals presented their papers during the two days of conference in four different Technical Sessions based on the sub theme.

More than 200 hundred abstracts were received from across India and different foreign universities out of which 150 were selected for the paper presentation. Total 58 Papers were presented by the national and international researchers and intellectuals during the two days of international conference which made the event indeed an academic feast for the scholars participating in the conference. Participation of delegates from India as well as other foreign countries indeed made the conference, international and global.

Mohit Patel Preeti Nair, Sridevi Xaviers Nikoletta Christodoulou, Martin Valcke, Marianna Sinicakova, Jan Beluca chaired the sessions on the first day of conference and Vivek Jaglan, Joao Correia de Freitas, Patricia Pinto Isabel Nunes chaired the second day technical Sessions.





## CABCIN 2018 - GLIMPSES

### **Report on Papers Presented in the Conference :**

IPDIH-18 has received overwhelming response from many national and international researchers and intellectuals. Total 150 papers from Foreign Universities, Indian Universities and CABCIN Partner Universities were accepted for the conference. Under the different five subthemes total 58 papers were selected and were presented during the two days interactive conference by the researchers and intellectuals.

### **New Trends in Training Methods, Approaches and Tools:**

Under this theme, total 13 papers were presented. Mr. Mohit Patel and Jan Beluca and Isabel Nunes chaired the sessions. Major outcomes of the conference papers presented under this theme are the efficiency of teachers increases, if their EQ is taken care of in a right way, Interdisciplinary teaching will aid the instructors in improving the teaching learning process. The blended teaching approach will enhance equity and excellence, as well as employability skills. 'Meta-Analysis of Effectiveness of Technologies in teaching was discussed; technology should be used in Teaching & Learning process to enhance quality, was emphasized in discussion. The student-teacher relationship, effects of bullying levels that affects social behavior was the important point of the discussion in one of the parallel session under this theme. Another important point of the discussion was the basic questions that, how (theory of Risk) research-based result can be utilized, how teacher can be trained to manage school bullying cases? The suggestions to the presenter for addition of theory in the respective research to achieve better end was the key highlight of the sessions

### **Teaching with Technology:**

Under this theme the highest number of papers i.e. total 17 papers were presented by the researchers during the interactive sessions. The sessions were chaired by Sridevi Xaviers, Vivek Jaglan, Joao Correia de Freitas and Martin Valcke. The major outcome of the papers presented under this theme was Technology enabled Teaching and learning methodologies and practices. Right from the software uses like customized ESL, Hot Potatoes Role of cloud computing, Augmented Reality, 3D Printing and Game based learning then mobile and apps in research were discussed as the mandatory teaching aids that can be assisted for teaching and learning. Use of mobile phones in teaching and the importance of Self Feedback among educator in higher education were discussed and appreciated by the chair. The chairperson was personally involved in the discussion on all the topics by asking various technical queries on advancements and uses in teaching and learning methods.



### Developing Trainers' Soft Skills:

Under this theme total 9 papers were presented in the interactive sessions. The session was chaired by Nickoletta Christolodou and Vivek Jaglan. Fruitful discussion was held between the researchers and the chair which included Soft Skills Development among Teachers, uses of online social media as a soft skill recourse, Soft skill to positively influence trainees' and peers. Self- Feedback with the help of Self-videography, Communication skills, Non-academic skills, Importance of Soft skills in Higher Education, Songs and music assistance for communication enhancement were the key points through which various ways, methods and innovative ways under the theme of Development of soft skills were discussed in depth.



### Assessing Teaching and Learning:

Under this theme total 10 papers were presented. The session was chaired by Marianna Sinicakova. The scholars shared that the 'Assessment' is at the heart of formal higher education and it has an impact on practical assessment. The method of online assessment on blended learning was emphasized. A survey, on satisfaction, performance, familiarity with different assessment methods, was advised to conduct. Satisfaction of students, various factors and Indicators of Evaluation of Survey, WP-2 (Work Package) Training, and some examples of traditional assessment method were discussed. The difficulties in using competencies-based approach in HEI's were discussed during the parallel sessions. The challenges, technological assistance, assessments' significance, scope and methods were scientifically calculated, assessed and presented through the research based deliberations.

### Designing Training Programs and Curricula for Trainings :

9 papers were presented in the interactive sessions of this theme. Patricia Pinto and Preeti Nair chaired the sessions. The session chair appreciated the topic- 'Students with Special Needs at University, which is related to basic human rights for the purpose of the research. Various training programs for curricula, assessment, skill trainings, and collaborative studies-based programs were discussed through thoughtful discussions during the conference sessions.

The fruitful, scientific and research-based deliberation on various sub themes during the two days of conference added lot of knowledge in the field of professional development of teachers and instructors in higher education institutions. It was indeed a mesmerizing experience for the academicians from different parts of the globe. The delegates thoroughly enjoyed the academic feast - participating and presenting scientific papers in the international conference under the umbrella of CABCIN at Parul University through knowledge share

### **Cultural Events :**

The session on Cultural Event on the eve of the first day of the conference provided wonderful platform for cultural exchange. The integration of incredible art, music and folk dances from different parts of India and across the border spellbound the audience. The colorful costumes, fabulous music and amazing dancing beats presented by the national and international artists, left the conference delegates amazed. This served as a cherry on the cake in the excellent international conference. The Cultural Program by South Korean group was an eye-catching performance and remained the main attraction of the event. Folkdance by Sal Education Campus, Ahmadabad, Solo Song by R.K. University, Rajkot, and Festival Dance by Parul University Students, Vadodara, and Folkdance - Fusion by the faculty of Parul University, Vadodara, sprinkled the traditional, cultural rainbow of Incredible India. The Cultural event ended on the musical note with dance performed eventually by the conference delegates both, Indians as well as foreign delegates who tapped their feet and picked up the rhythm on Indian Music.

The conference proceeded further with the paper presentation in different theme-based tracks. The researchers from all over the five European and Indian universities : Wroclaw University of Science and Technology Poland, Universidade Nova de Lisboa Portugal, Ghent University Belgium, University of Kosice Slovakia, Frederick University Cyprus and five Indian Universities i.e. Parul University Gujarat, Kavayatri Bahinabai Chaudhari North Maharashtra University Maharashtra, Amity University Haryana , RK University, Rajkot and SAL Institute of Technology and Engineering Research Ahmadabad came under one roof and took active participation in the deliberations during the conference

### **Valedictory Function :**

Valedictory function began with the welcome of the dignitaries. Chief of Scientific Committee, Dr. Kamila Ludwikowska, Wroclaw University of Science and Technology, briefed an account of the aim, objectives and outcomes, as well as the execution of the conference. She expressed her extreme happiness for the conference as it paved the way for the global opportunity on a global platform for great interactions, creation of people to people contact during the two days fest of conference. The address ended with a positive note through the announcement and invitation for the next - second conference at Wroclaw University of Science and Technology Poland.

The Video teaser for the upcoming, CABCIN international conference in 2019' at Wroclaw was released in the valedictory and it served as a matter of excitement among the researchers. The Chair Persons of the technical sessions shared their views and experiences. Martin Valcke, complemented the excellent organizations of conference proceedings. He appreciated the attitude of the contribution among the researchers. Vivek Jaglan the next speaker appreciated the efforts made by the presenters in sharing their research findings in most practical way. Prof. Patricia underlined that the conference was the research on education and teaching practices. She advised the formulation of the clusters of specified interest for the further improvement in the process of knowledge dissemination in the project Cabcin. Aarti Joshi on behalf of R.K. University appreciated the happiest and great learning experience during the conference.

Mr. Michel from Slovakia expressed, "we all as a teacher are sailing through the same boat and we are connected with same light in our eyes for vision, aim, & objectives, outcomes of the journey to help the students to be successful in their lives. Quality that we want to see in students ultimately requires the Good Teachers' Efficacy & Quality at first' was the great message in his thoughtful expression.

Mukta Mahajan from NMU appreciated multiple dimensions and diversity of research deliberations' topics, innovative practices, interdisciplinary and disciplinary research domains that are explored during the two day of conference. Special appreciations were given on efficient organization and grand venue selection for the international conference.

Dr. Manisha Pathak comprehensively presented the soul of the conference i.e. the glimpses of two days technical sessions based on all the conference proceedings and paper presentations in the diverse themes. The brief account of the presentations and discussions done during the conference were reported at the valedictory.

Dr. Meera Subramanyama freelancer voluntarily shared her regards for getting the opportunity for good global platform to learn from the diversity of knowledge domains. The request of papers on websites to quench the knowledge thirst shows the expectations bar raised high about the CABCIN, which is the sign of the great success point of the conference.

### **Felicitations**

The Jury panel – the members of the scientific committee, were felicitated for their tireless task of evaluating the papers presented during the two days of conference. President Dr. Devanshu Patel felicitated the members of organizing committee for their heartfelt efforts for making the conference a grand success.

### Presidential Valedictory Remark :

Dr. Devanshu Patel Presented the Presidential Valedictory Remark for the Conference. In his inspiring & engaging narrative address, emphasis was on the futuristic implementation of the conference's learning outcomes, in the classrooms by the teachers. The president shared that such forums serve as an excellent platform for teachers across the globe to enrich the knowledge and skills in the said domain and perform in enhancing the quality of regular teaching practices. He emphasized that for good teaching the teacher should be at first, good learner, should be a lifelong learner.



### To Conclude...

The organization of international conference on Professional Development of Instructors in Higher Education and Training institutions, served as a mile stone in enriching the knowledge and experience for the teachers across the globe. The active participations by the researchers and scholars from across the globe made the event reach its very essence. The facilitators from partner Universities, Parul University and students made the event a grand success with their timely tireless efforts.

The Event reached to its climax, on a patriotic note with the recitation of Indian National Anthem. The International conference ended with promises to take the learning to all the stakeholders of knowledge. The academic gathering ended with a photo session that captured the memories to keep it live in books of history.



