

PLENARY SESSIONS

Session 1: Sunday, December 28, 2008, 3:20-4:00

Session Chair: Amit Shah
Frostburg State University, USA

Speaker: Namjae Cho
Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea

Technology and the Sharing of Knowledge and Learning

In today's organizations, knowledge is shared not only through common experiences, but it is shared and transferred to form collective intelligence via diverse medium. When knowledge is shared a person's or group's experiences, ideas, and knowledge are expressed and communicated to others or even publicized. The receivers of the knowledge can best be benefited when the knowledge goes through the learning process.

As the platforms of information communication, knowledge sharing, and learning (and teaching and training) converge into one in several dimensions, our tradition of research paradigm related to these fields also needs to be changed so that more extensive open communication be reflected in our future research models, theories, and methodologies.

Review of exiting research and research experience in related topics present similar implications. A more active involvement of researchers in diverse field is called for in this vein to produce realistic and fruitful research outcome.

Session 2: Monday, December 29, 2008, 1:30-2:50
Session Chair: Prithvi Yadav, Indian Institute of Management Indore

Speaker: Akhilesh Chandra
The University of Akron, USA

Security and Governance Issues in the Global Business Environment

This session will challenge audience to identify and discuss significant issues in the security of data, process and access controls from the perspective of global business environment. The need for a proper and balanced understanding for information security and governance stems from increasing vulnerabilities to business processes. A key outcome of globalization is increasingly interconnected and interdependent organizations. Information technology (IT) is now an important business driver to facilitate change and sustain competitive advantage. The business model continues to evolve to new structures and IT intensive processes. However, IT led connectivity also magnifies risks for organizations. IT is a critical facilitator and integral part of the overall corporate governance strategy. Therefore, IT governance should receive equal attention for security information resources of organizations. Audience will benefit from the expertise and experience of the presenter to provide a viable decision support.

Speaker: Bakul Dholakia
Advisor, Adani Group, Ahmedabad
Director, Adani Institute of Infrastructure Management, Ahmedabad

Management Education in India: Issues, Challenges and Opportunities

Management Education in India is going through a revolutionary period. With a modest start in late fifties with support of government, the management education has in the last decade received enormous attention from private sector. All unfortunately is not well with the current scene. In this talk, the speaker will address current issues and challenges that lay with the management education. The speaker is a well-known management guru who has recently retired from the leading b-school in the country, IIM Ahmedabad, as its director.