

Research Scholars & Alumni Symposium 2014

Summary report

IIT Bombay organized Research Scholars & Alumni Symposium (RSAS) on 7th- 8th March 2014. This was third such symposium after the successful ones in 2008 and 2010 (which were called as Research Scholars' Confluence RSC). As knowledge sharing is very important for research, a seamless interaction with peer level researchers and professionals is desirable. With this motivation, RSAS was planned with an extended scope whereby research scholars from other institutes were invited to participate in it so that research scholars' community gets connected and grows collectively.

The program was organized with following Objectives:

- Provide an opportunity for research scholars/academicians to get inspired from experiences of PhD Alumni.
- Encourage interaction between the research scholars/academicians from various institutes.
- Offer a platform for showcasing doctoral research being carried out at IIT Bombay and other institutes.
- Bridge gaps between academia and industry for productive and applied research.
- Bring awareness about research and entrepreneurial career directions after PhD.

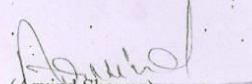
As a prelude to group/panel discussion, online and offline opinion surveys over the themes were initiated for capturing and bridging the views of current research students with the panel members.

A series of invited talks by reputed IITB PhD Alumni from different fields.

Group Discussions (among alumni and research scholars both from IITB and other Institutes, moderated by eminent alumnus) over seven themes directly related to interest of research scholars.

- A panel discussion to summarize the conclusions of all GDs on a common platform.
- An exclusive session by SINE (Society for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, IITB).
- As a deliverable from the event, we have planned to record the discussions and report a list of actionable items to be acted upon after the event.
- Technical Presentation talks by Research Scholars.
- Technical Poster session by Research Scholars.

I got extremely benefited by this program. I learn various technologies and research work carried out by IIT Bombay Research scholars. I got an opportunity to interact with research scholars of different institutes and got an insight into their research work. Attending this program was very fruitful. It gave definite inputs for my future research work and qualification up-gradation.


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