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First International Conference on Research and Innovation in support of Economic and Digital Transformation in Oman: Achieving Vision 2040



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Conference Overview

Research and innovation are essential elements of global economic competitiveness in the 21st century. They underpin social and economic development across all areas, and are fundamental to economic and digital transformation, global competitiveness and national well-being. Successful engagement in economic and digital transformation increasingly defines the world's most dynamic economies. Given their importance, the conference, "Research and Innovation in Oman: In Support of Economic and Digital Transformation" will bring together academics, researchers, thought-leaders, industry representatives, policy makers, and community representatives to explore how research and innovation can support economic and digital transformation. The event is an opportunity for participants from Oman and across the world to examine some of the opportunities and challenges associated with economic and digital transformation, including how research and innovation can most effectively support this transformation in Oman.

Conference Objectives:

- Facilitate interdisciplinary, international dialogue about the ways research and innovation can effectively support economic and digital transformation
- Identify opportunities and challenges associated with the economic and digital transformation of Omani society and of other societies around the world
- Discuss opportunities for enhancing economic and digital transformation through research and innovation efforts within the framework of the 4th industrial revolution
- Identify key initiatives in research and innovation that have the potential to facilitate Oman's economic and digital transformation
- Ensure that research and innovation are at the centre of sustainable social and economic transformation in Oman, the region, and internationally
- Ensure the benefits of economic and digital transformation in Oman and the region are sustainable and equitably distributed
- Establish region- and world-wide networks of institutions and researchers that are concerned with various aspects of the enhancement of economic and digital transformation through research and innovation
- Provide opportunities for collaboration and cooperation between researchers in various aspects of economic and digital transformation in Oman, the region, and internationally
- Help ensure Oman is well-placed to take advantage of the potential benefits that the 4th industrial revolution brings

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Conference Tracks:

- ✓ Cutting edge research in 4th Industrial Revolution Technologies
- ✓ Innovation in 4th Industrial Revolution Technologies
- ✓ Pros & Cons of Cutting-Edge technologies
- ✓ Challenges and solutions associated with economic and digital transformation
- ✓ Opportunities for enhancing economic and digital transformation through research & innovation
- ✓ Relevant experience of countries across the world in using research and innovation to achieve their visions: Implications for Oman
- ✓ Leading Oman to Economic and Digital Transformation via Research & Innovation
- ✓ Achieving Oman's vision 2040 via research & innovation

Abstracts Submission & Registration

Important Dates:

- Abstracts can be submitted online:
<https://conferences.squ.edu.om/rio/home>
- Last Call for abstract submission is 2nd Feb 2020.
- Acceptance notification is 15th March 2020.
- Deadline for registration is 31st March 2020.

Exhibition & Details

The conference offers an opportunity for innovative companies and organizations that promote innovation and entrepreneurship based on innovation and cutting-edge technologies to showcase their work and to network with like-minded counterparts. The exhibition will also offer a venue for start-up companies and student companies to exhibit their products and establish connections with the industry.

Details of stands and exhibition fees can be found on the website:
<https://conferences.squ.edu.om/rio/home>