



CENTRE FOR DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS (CDAP)
&
GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL CELL FOR THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
BHARATHIDASAN UNIVERSITY, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI – 620 023, TAMIL NADU, INDIA.



in collaboration with
ROTARY CLUB LA VALETTE, MALTA | UNIVERSITY OF MALTA | STATES SCHOOL, MALTA.

ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

“Beyond the Labels: Understanding Specific Learning Disabilities through Global Perspectives and Inclusive Practices”

Understanding • Inclusion •
Innovation • Empowerment

Mode: Hybrid Mode (Online and Offline)

Date: 27 October 2026

Venue: UGC - MMMTC Hall
Khajamalai Campus,
Bharathidasan University,
Tiruchirappalli - 620 023

“Every learner has a different
way of learning.
Inclusion begins when we
understand the difference.”

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Specific Learning Disabilities (SLDs) affect millions of learners worldwide, yet they often go unrecognized or misunderstood. This conference brings together global perspectives, research, and best practices to promote understanding, compassion, inclusion and innovation. The conference will explore contemporary approaches, emerging technologies and inclusive strategies that empower learners with SLDs to thrive academically, socially and professionally.

ABOUT THE CDAP

The Centre for Differently Abled Persons (CDAP) established at Bharathidasan University in 2011 promotes inclusive education and empower persons with disabilities. Its motto is “Encourage, Enable and Empower” by providing opportunities in Education, Employment, and Entrepreneurship.

The Centre provides training in ICT, assistive technology, vocational skills, job placement, and entrepreneurship and helping persons with disabilities become self-reliant and economically independent. CDAP functions as a specialized training-cum-production centre for differently abled persons and their stakeholders.

ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB LA VALETTE

The Rotary Club La Valette is part of the global Rotary network, bringing people together to serve their communities and make a positive difference in society. The Club promotes fellowship, leadership, and community service through initiatives that address local needs. The Club supports activities related to education, health, social welfare, and community development, aiming to improve lives and create inclusive opportunities. Its service initiatives encourage volunteerism, cooperation, and sustainable development for the benefit of society.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

- 1 To raise awareness about Specific Learning Disabilities (SLDs) across educational and professional communities.
- 2 To promote early identification, screening and comprehensive assessment practices.
- 3 To disseminate evidence-based intervention and remediation strategies for diverse learning needs.
- 4 To advocate for inclusive education and Universal Design for Learning (UDL).
- 5 To highlight the role of assistive technology and accessible digital learning.

SUB-THEMES

- Identification, Screening and Assessment of Learning Disabilities
- Dyslexia, Dyscalculia, Dysgraphia and Other Specific Learning Disabilities
- Inclusive Education and Universal Design for Learning (UDL)
- Early Identification, Remediation and Intervention
- Neuro-diversity and Strength-Based Approaches
- Assistive Technology and Accessible Digital Learning
- Teacher Preparation and Professional Development
- Learning Disabilities in Higher Education
- Transition, Employability, Life Skills and Independent Living
- Family, Peer and Community Support
- Policy, Rights and Global Perspectives

INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE PERSONS

Mr. Edward Fenech

Founder Member

Rotary Club La Valette, Malta

International Advocate for Dyslexia,
Learning Difficulties & Inclusive Education.

Prof. Ruth Falzon

Associate Professor

Department of Counselling

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University of Malta, Malta.

Mr. Ryan Portelli

Counsellor & Educator

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Abstract Submission deadline: 24.10.2026

Full paper Submission deadline: 25.10.2026

All selected paper will be published as an ISBN book.

Publication fee: RS. 500/-

PATRONS

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Organizing Secretary

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WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Academics and Researchers
- School and College Teachers
- Special Educators and Therapists
- Counsellors and Psychologists
- Parents and Caregivers
- Policy Makers and NGO Representatives
- Students and Professionals in Education and Allied Fields

SUBMISSION CHECK LIST

- English Font: Times New Roman
- Tamil Font: Bhamini
- Font Size: 12 pt for both English and Tamil text.
- Use the prescribed full-paper format.
- Ensure plagiarism is below 20%
- Ensure AI-generated content is below 10% as per the conference screening requirement.
- Submit by 25 October 2026.
- At least one author must register and present the paper.

FULL-LENGTH PAPER SUBMISSION

Prospective authors are invited to submit original, full-length research papers electronically in the prescribed format on or before 25 October 2026. Manuscripts should be 7–8 pages in length and must adhere to the specified formatting guidelines. At least one author of each accepted paper is required to register for the conference and present the paper for inclusion in the conference proceedings. Selected papers will undergo a peer-review process and may be considered for publication, subject to the review outcome and applicable publication guidelines.

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Registration	: Mandatory
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