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Rationale

The accelerating convergence of artificial intelligence, pharmaceutical sciences, engineering, and emerging technologies is dramatically reshaping the trajectory of human development. While these breakthroughs offer unprecedented opportunities for improving healthcare access (SDG 3), quality education (SDG 4), clean energy systems (SDG 7), industry innovation (SDG 9), sustainable cities (SDG 11), and responsible consumption (SDG 12), they also raise complex questions about ethics, equity, governance, and human agency. The central challenge of this technological era is not merely to invent but **to ensure that innovation advances human and planetary well-being without deepening existing inequalities.**

In response to this global call for inclusive and responsible innovation, the **Asia-Pacific Consortium of Researchers and Educators (APCORE)** and **UCSI University** are jointly convening the **Innovation Congress (ICON)** and **International Research Conference on Pharmaceutical and Allied Sciences 3.0 (IRCPAS 3.0)**. Designed as a transdisciplinary platform, the event brings together researchers, academics, policymakers, industry practitioners, and students across pharmaceutical sciences, health and life sciences, engineering, artificial intelligence, food systems, and re-emerging technological fields.

Guided by the theme “**Technological Disruption, Innovation Ethics and Future of Human-AI Co-Evolution**,” the Congress will explore how societies can embrace automation and intelligent systems while safeguarding human values, diversity, and agency. Sessions will tackle issues such as AI governance, digital equity (SDG 10), green transitions (SDG 13), ethical frameworks in biomedical innovation, and technology-driven public service delivery (SDG 16)—all within the context of Sustainable Development Goal 17: Partnerships for the Goals.

Scheduled on **March 26–28, 2026** at **Vivatel Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**, ICON-IRCPAS 3.0 positions itself not only as a showcase of scientific excellence but as a movement toward future-proof, ethical, and SDG-aligned technological civilizations.



Congress Objectives

The Innovation Congress (ICON) and International Research Conference on Pharmaceutical and Allied Sciences 3.0 (IRCPAS) aims to:

1. Convene a multidisciplinary community of researchers, practitioners, and innovators across pharmaceutical sciences, technology, engineering, health, and allied fields **to exchange knowledge, share breakthroughs, and build collaborative networks.**
2. Advance research-driven solutions to global challenges by **providing a platform for the presentation of empirical studies, technological prototypes, and translational innovations** with real-world impact.
3. Critically **examine the ethical, regulatory, and societal implications of technological disruption**, particularly in relation to human-AI interactions, automation, data governance, and responsible research practices.
4. Promote **innovation readiness and commercialization pathways** through structured programs such as innovation pitching, exhibits, and roundtable discussions involving academia, industry, and policy sectors.
5. Equip emerging and established scholars with **future-responsive competencies through master classes and workshops focused on scientific communication**, research integrity, digital tools, and interdisciplinary design.
6. Foster **a long-term framework for human-technology co-evolution**, championing development models that place human well-being, sustainability, and inclusivity at the core of scientific and technological progress.



ICON-IRCPAS 3.0

conference description

The **Innovation Congress (ICON)** and **International Research Conference on Pharmaceutical and Allied Sciences 3.0 (IRCPAS)** will convene on **March 26-28, 2026** at **Vivatel Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia** with the central theme "**Technological Disruption, Innovation Ethics and Future of Human-AI Co-Evolution.**" Organized jointly by the **Asia-Pacific Consortium of Researchers and Educators (APCORE)** and **UCSI University**, this international gathering is designed to serve as a nexus for scholars, scientists, technologists, engineers, innovators, healthcare professionals, and industry leaders committed to shaping the next era of human-centered innovation.

The conference recognizes that technological advancement is no longer confined to singular disciplines. From **pharmaceutical formulation** and **biomedical engineering** to **artificial intelligence** and **digital fabrication**, the boundaries across fields are rapidly dissolving. **ICON-IRCPAS 2026** embraces this convergence by offering five multidisciplinary conference tracks, namely **Pharmaceutical and Allied Sciences, Science, Technology, Innovation, and Engineering**. These tracks collectively aim to stimulate discourse, collaboration, and ethical foresight in tackling real-world problems through research and innovation.



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Participants can expect a dynamic and intellectually engaging program featuring:

01 Keynote Address

from global thought leaders in science, technology, and ethics

02 Plenary Sessions

exploring disruptive technologies and future-ready frameworks

03 Round Table Discussions

Round Table Discussions on policy, regulation, and responsible innovation

04 Research Paper and Poster Presentations

Research Paper and Poster Presentations showcasing empirical and theoretical contributions

05 Innovation and Pitching Sessions

Innovation Pitching Sessions for start-ups and research-based solutions

06 Innovation Exhibits

Innovation Exhibits highlighting emerging technologies and prototypes

07 Master Classes and Workshops

Master Classes and Workshops led by field experts, offering hands-on training and specialized knowledge

ICON-IRCPAS 2026 is positioned not only as a platform for academic dissemination but as a catalyst for collaboration, commercialization, and ethical dialogue in an age where humans and intelligent systems must co-exist and co-evolve. Researchers, practitioners, and innovators across sectors are invited to take part in defining the future of science and technology—one that is disruptive yet responsible, intelligent yet humane.



Conference Theme and Focus Areas

With the theme “**Technological Disruption, Innovation Ethics and Future of Human-AI Co-Evolution**,” ICON-IRCPAS 2026 positions itself at the intersection of science, technology, health, and society. The conference seeks to explore how emerging technologies and research advancements can be harnessed responsibly to improve human well-being, protect the planet, and create more resilient and equitable systems.

Submissions are welcomed across five major focus areas:

Pharmaceutical Sciences will explore drug discovery and development, sustainable production systems, and innovations in clinical and pharmacy practice, with particular interest in natural product-derived therapeutics and pharmaceutical biotechnology.

Science tracks invite studies in health technologies across the lifespan, climate change adaptation and environmental monitoring, biodiversity conservation, and big data applications for public health and social justice.

Technology sessions will highlight breakthroughs in artificial intelligence and digital platforms for sustainability, smart agriculture, renewable energy and energy efficiency, ICT for inclusive growth, and advanced pharmaceutical delivery systems.

Engineering contributions should focus on sustainable and disaster-resilient infrastructure, water resource management, circular economy engineering approaches, food systems engineering, and chemical or biomedical engineering innovations for pharmaceutical sustainability.

Innovation discussions will center on social innovation models, green entrepreneurship and start-up ecosystems, integrative frameworks accelerating Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), gender-responsive and inclusive innovation, and new paradigms for pharmaceutical access and distribution.

Together, these focus areas reflect a shared objective: to align scientific progress with ethical responsibility, ensuring that future technologies uplift both people and planet.

Focus Areas

Pharmaceutical Sciences

- Drug Discovery, Development, and Sustainable Production
- Natural Product drug discovery, clinical and pharmacy practice
- Pharmaceutical Technology Innovations: Drug Delivery Systems and Biopharmaceuticals
- Chemical and Biomedical Engineering for Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Sustainability

Science/s

- Advances in Health Technologies to Promote Well-being Across Lifespans
- Climate Change Science and Environmental Monitoring for Resilience
- Biodiversity Conservation and Ecosystem Services Research
- Data-Driven Approaches to Public Health and Social Equity

Technology

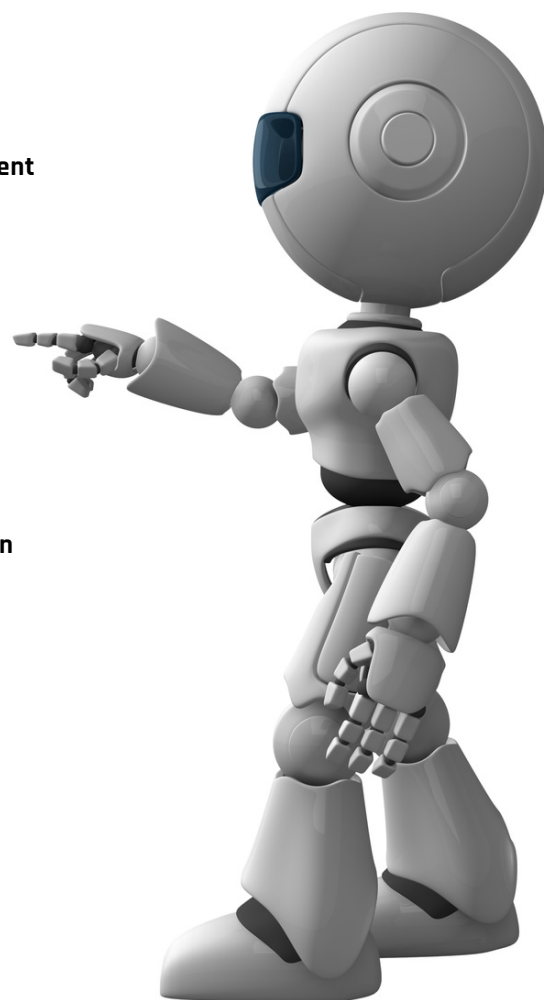
- Artificial Intelligence and Digital Solutions for Sustainable Development
- Smart Agriculture and Precision Farming Technologies
- Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency Innovations
- ICT for Inclusive and Sustainable Societies
- Robotics

Engineering

- Sustainable Infrastructure Design and Green Building Technologies
- Water Resource Management and Climate-Resilient Engineering
- Circular Economy Engineering: Waste to Resource Recovery
- Engineering Innovations for Food Security and Disaster Risk Reduction

Innovation

- Social Innovation for Inclusive Sustainable Development
- Technological Entrepreneurship and Startups for Green Economy
- Integrative Innovation Systems to Accelerate SDG Achievement
- Inclusive Innovation Addressing Gender and Vulnerability Gaps
- Innovations in Pharmaceutical Access, Affordability, and Distribution



about the Organizers and Partner Institutions



Mountain Province State University

Mountain Province State University (MPSU), Philippines, is a state-funded higher education institution based in the Cordillera Administrative Region, known for its strong community-based research and extension programs. MPSU actively engages in sustainable development initiatives and promotes indigenous knowledge integration across science and education.



Quezon City University

Quezon City University (QCU), Philippines, is a public university recognized for its commitment to urban development, technology-based education, and industry-aligned research. Its participation in the conference reflects its growing role in promoting inclusive innovation in metropolitan and grassroots communities.



Burapha University

Burapha University, Thailand, is one of the country's premier public universities, particularly noted for its excellence in science and technology, health sciences, and interdisciplinary research. Its international collaborations reinforce its mission of fostering globally engaged research and academic dialogue.



Politeknik Piksi Ganesha

Politeknik Piksi Ganesha, Indonesia, is a technical and vocational institution known for its focus on applied technologies, information systems, and digital innovation. With a strong orientation toward industry responsiveness and workforce development, it contributes practical and entrepreneurial perspectives to the research ecosystem of the conference.



APCoRE

Asia-Pacific Consortium of Researchers and Educators (APCORE) is an international professional association committed to advancing research collaboration and academic excellence across the Asia-Pacific region. With a growing network of scholars, higher education institutions, and research organizations, APCORE facilitates conferences, publications, capacity-building programs, and international mobility initiatives. It serves as a conduit for interdisciplinary knowledge exchange, empowering educators and researchers to address societal challenges through innovation, ethics, and cross-cultural cooperation.



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UCSI University, based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, is a leading private higher education institution recognized for its strong industry linkages, research-driven programs, and commitment to sustainability and technological advancement. The university houses globally competitive faculties in pharmaceutical sciences, engineering, applied sciences, and healthcare, positioning it as a strategic co-organizer for a conference focused on innovation and human-technology evolution.

Target Participants

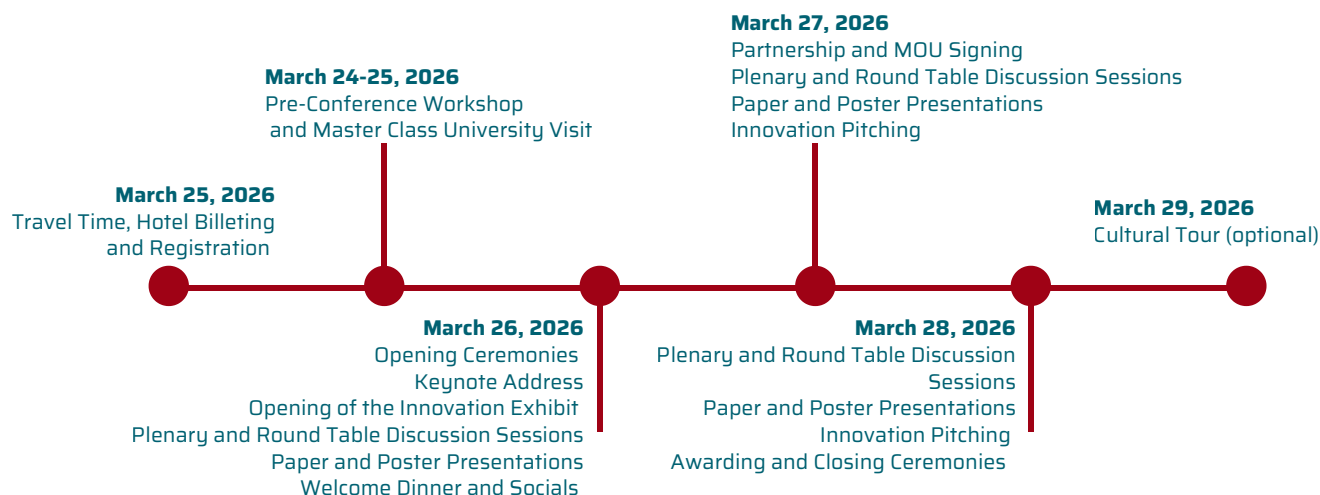
The Innovation Congress (ICON) and International Research Conference on Pharmaceutical and Allied Sciences 3.0 (IRCPAS) welcomes a diverse range of participants from academia, industry, government, and the professional sector. The conference is intended for:

- **Researchers and Scientists** in pharmaceutical sciences, engineering, artificial intelligence, health sciences, biotechnology, food technology, and other emerging disciplines.
- **Faculty Members and Academic Administrators** representing higher education institutions seeking international research engagement and institutional partnerships.
- **Graduate and Undergraduate Students**, particularly those involved in thesis, capstone, or prototype development, who wish to present their research or gain exposure to frontier innovations.
- **Healthcare and Allied Health Professionals** working in clinical, diagnostic, regulatory, or community-based settings.
- **Industry Practitioners and Innovators**, including start-up founders, research and development specialists, and technology developers.
- **Policy Makers and Institutional Leaders** involved in science, education, ethics, and digital governance.

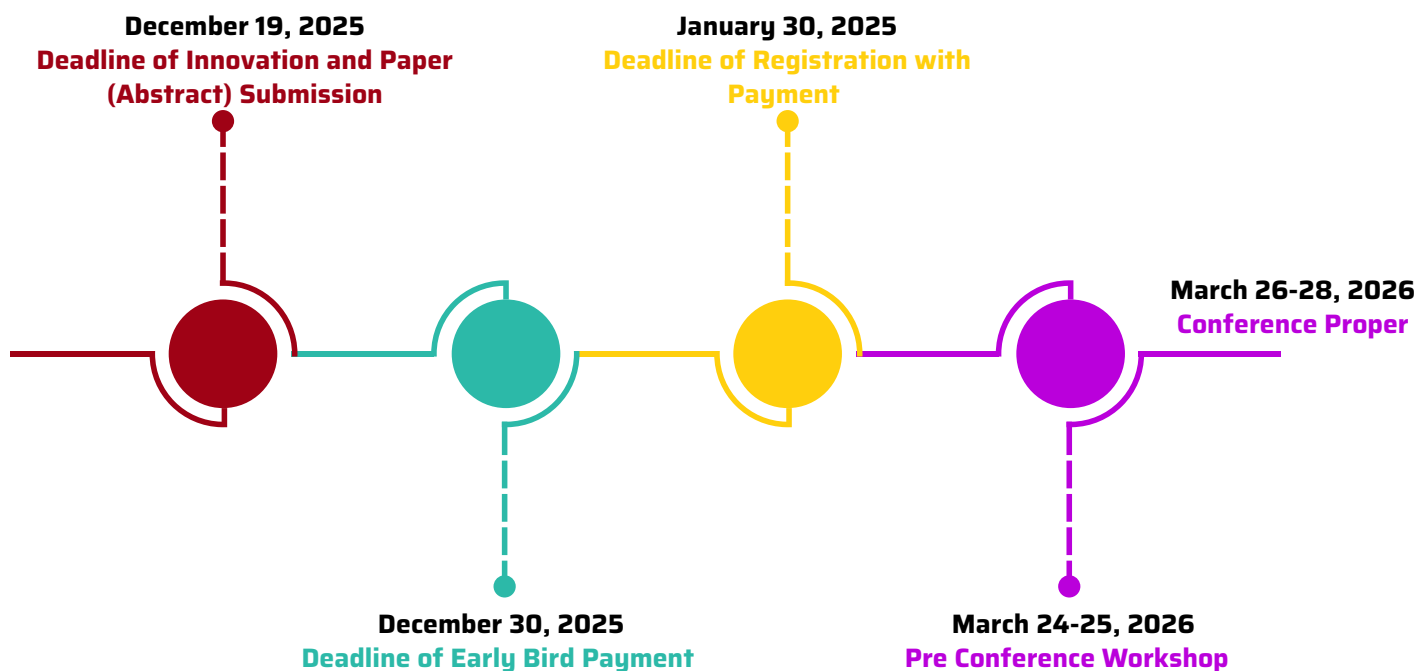
The conference encourages participation from both early-career and established scholars, as well as interdisciplinary teams seeking collaborative opportunities. With its blend of academic rigor and innovation-focused programming, ICON-IRCPAS 2026 positions itself as a meeting ground for individuals and institutions shaping the future of human-technology interaction.

Tentative Programme

The conference is designed as a **four-day** immersive experience that blends scholarly exchange, innovation showcases, and institutional networking. Beginning with arrival and registration activities, the program will progress through keynote sessions, scientific presentations, partnership signings, innovation pitching, and exhibits, concluding with awarding ceremonies. Optional pre-conference workshops and a post-conference cultural tour are offered to enrich the academic and cultural engagement of the delegates.



Important Dates



Registration Fees

Type of Registration		Amount	Inclusion
Onsite Registration (Paper Presenters and Observers)	APCORE Member	USD 650	· 3-Night Hotel Accommodation with Breakfast · Lunches and Snacks · Welcome Dinner/Cultural Night · Conference Kit · Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement
	APCORE Non-Member	USD 700	
Onsite Registration without Accommodation (Paper Presenters and Observers)	APCORE Member	USD 450	· Lunches and Snacks · Welcome Dinner/Cultural Night · Conference Kit · Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings
	APCORE Non-Member	USD 500	
Onsite Registration without Accommodation for Students (Paper Presenters and Observers)	Local and International	USD 90	· Lunches and Snacks · Conference Kit · Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings · Publication in the APCORE Online Journal
Virtual Registration Paper Presenters	APCORE Member	USD 50	· Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings
	APCORE Non-Member	USD 60	
Virtual Registration Observers	APCORE Member	USD 40	· Certificate of Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings
	APCORE Non-Member	USD 50	
Early Bird Registration Until December <u>30, 2025, only</u>	Onsite for APCORE and Non-APCORE Members with Accommodation	USD 550	· 3-Night Hotel Accommodation with Breakfast · Lunches and Snacks · Welcome Dinner/Cultural Night · Conference Kit · Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings · Publication in the APCORE Online Journal
	Onsite for APCORE and Non-APCORE Members without Accommodation	USD 400	· Lunches and Snacks · Welcome Dinner/Cultural Night · Conference Kit · Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings · Publication in the APCORE Online Journal

Registration Fees

Type of Registration		Amount	Inclusion
Early Bird Registration Until December <u>30, 2025</u> , only	Student Onsite without Accommodation	USD 85	· Lunches and Snacks · Conference Kit · Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings · Publication in the APCORE Online Journal
	Virtual Paper Presenters for APCORE and Non-APCORE Members	USD 40	· Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings
	Virtual Observers for APCORE and Non-APCORE Members	USD 30	· Certificate of Presentation/Participation · Certificate of Engagement · Book of Abstracts · Conference Proceedings

Summit Co-Organizer/Partnership Sponsorship Options

ICON-IRCPAS 2026 offers tiered partnership opportunities for institutions and organizations seeking greater visibility, engagement, and strategic positioning within the global research and innovation community.

Institutions may participate through three tiers—**Co-Organizer**, **Partner**, or **Collaborator**—each granting varying levels of representation, branding exposure, and access to conference privileges.

These partnership tiers are designed not merely as sponsorships but as strategic affiliations, positioning institutions at the forefront of regional and global conversations on science, technology, ethics, and human-AI futures.



Summit Co-Organizer/Partnership Sponsorship Options

Tier	Number of Onsite Delegation	Benefits
Co-Organizer	30	• Prominent Branding: Logo placement on all conference marketing materials, including banners, websites, and conference kits. • Speaking Opportunity: Allocation of a keynote or plenary session slot for an institutional representative. • Publication: Option for institutional research articles or white papers to be included in the APCORE Online Journal. • Exclusive Access: Priority access to round-table discussions and exclusive networking events. • Plaque and Certificates: Special "Co-Organizer" certificates for the institution. • Media Coverage: Mention in press releases and interviews related to the conference. • Social-Media: Featured posts on all summit social media platforms acknowledging the co-organizer's contribution. • Complimentary Registration: One (1) complimentary registration fee for onsite and five (5) for virtual registration/participation
Partner	20	• Branding: Logo placement on conference websites and selected marketing materials. • Panel Participation: Option for an institutional representative to be part of a panel discussion. • Networking: Access to exclusive networking events. • Plaque and Certificates: Special "Partner" certificates for the institution. • Acknowledgment: Formal acknowledgment during the summit's opening and closing ceremonies. • Complimentary Registration: Five (5) for virtual registration/participation
Collaborator	10	• Branding: Logo placement on the conference website. • Session Hosting: Opportunity to host a breakout session or workshop. • Certificates: Special "Collaborator" certificates for the institution. • Acknowledgment: Mention during the summit's opening ceremony. • Complimentary Registration: Three (3) for virtual registration/participation

Conference Registration

Participants may register for ICON-IRCPAS 2026 through any of the following official channels:

1. Online Registration Form - Complete the digital registration form via Google Forms at <https://forms.gle/ZcGZ8LAa9SAT4bRU9>. This is the fastest way to secure a slot and receive preliminary confirmation.
2. APCORE Website - Registration and event updates are available at www.apcore-inc.org, where downloadable guidelines and fee details will also be posted.
3. IRCPAS 3.0 Website - A dedicated page will be provided for presentation submission, program access, and delegate coordination.
4. Email Registration - For institutional or group registration, participants may directly coordinate through info@apcore-inc.org, indicating complete name, affiliation, preferred track, and delegate category.

Upon submission of the registration form, participants will receive further instructions on payment confirmation and other conference information and instructions.

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