

**International Seminar
On
Living and Working in the Digital Information Age
Intercontinental Insights**

**Saturday, June 25, 2016
10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

PROGRAMME

Registration: 9.30 am – 10.00 am

Inauguration: 10 am – 11.00 am

Prayer

Welcome

: Dr. Lekshmi Nair

Associate Professor, Department of Humanities, IIST

Introduction to the Seminar

: Dr. Antony Palackal

India Coordinator, World Science Project, Loyola College, TVPM

Presidential Address

: Prof. Dr. Jacob John Kattakayam

Professor Emeritus, Dept. of Sociology, University of Kerala

Inaugural Address

: Prof. Dr. Wesley Shrum

Director, World Science Project, Louisiana State University, USA

Vote of Thanks

: Ms. Eva Susanna Kunze, Research Associate

Bielefeld University, Germany

Session I: 11.15 am – 12.15 pm: *Digitalized Work Environments*

Chairperson: **Chair: Dr. R. Sarita**, Associate Professor, MG College

- *Introduction to “Work 4:0” - North-Rhine Westphalian Project*
Ms. **Eva Susanna Kunnze**, Bielefeld University, Germany
- *The Perception of Organizational Justice in Digitalized Working Environments – Social Psychological Perspective*
Ms. Sonja Oetting, Bielefeld University, Germany
- *Employment Relationships in Digitalized Working Environments - Sociological Perspective*
Ms. Eva Susanna Kunze, Bielefeld University, Germany

Session II: 12-15 pm - 1.00 pm: *Social Relations in A Digitalized World*

Chair: Dr. Anishia Jayadev, Associate Professor, IMG

- *Interface between Robots and Humans – Multidisciplinary Perspective*
Dr. Shabu R. Raj, Scientist, DRDO &
Dr. Nisha Jolly Nelson, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Sociology, Loyola College, TVPM
- *How to Make Assistance Systems Adaptive to Human's Force and Preferences - Robotics Perspective*
Overview provided by Sonja Oetting & Eva Susanna Kunze, Bielefeld University, Germany

Lunch Break

Session III – 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm: *Digitalized World and Social Change*

Chair: **Dr. Uthara Soman**, HoD, Dept. of Sociology, S.N. College, TVPM

- *World Science Project – An Overview*
Prof. Wesley Shrum, Director, World Science Project, Louisiana State University, USA
- *Knowledge Production and Social Relations in Kerala in a Digitalized World*
Dr. Antony Palackal, Associate Professor, Loyola College, TVPM
- *ICT and Transnational Family: Situation in Kerala, India*
M. S. Jayakumar, Asst. Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Kerala
- *Digital Divide - Access and Use of ICT among Students in Higher Education*
Mrs. Arunima Anil, Research Scholar, University of Kerala

Conclusion - 3.30 pm

Summing Up & Concluding Remarks

Dr. Jyothi S. Nair, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Sociology, KNM Govt. College, TVPM