



ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AWARD FOR THE KELPRO BEST STUDENT PAPER 2015

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Since 1997, through 18 volumes, Kelpro Bulletin has been a leader among scholarly journals in Library & Information Science in India. As part of its strategy to encourage budding LIS professionals Kelpro Bulletin is announcing a call for **“Best Student Paper 2015”**. This competition supports Kelpro Bulletin’s goal of publishing the best articles from the next generation of Library and Information Science professionals. We are proud to recognize the best papers with special awards.

➤ OBJECTIVES

- ❖ To encourage LIS students to present research papers addressing, the current trends in Library and information Science;
- ❖ To encourage the students to understand and participate in professional activities and thereby promote communication, co-operation and unity among the library professionals.

➤ PARTICIPANTS

- ❖ Students include Post-graduate, M. Phil and Research Scholars in LIS, below the age of 40 years are invited to submit high quality research papers to this competition. Single author/joint author (maximum 2 authors) paper are invited.

➤ THEME OF THE PAPER

The theme is “Library websites and Portals”. Research paper should address the significant issues facing today's Librarians, Information Scientists and Faculty members on the above topic. Case studies, best practices and pure research papers are welcome. The sub themes are given below:

- ❖ Design and Development - Standards and Practices, Creation and maintenance of dynamic library websites and portals, Content management and content providers.
- ❖ Web based services and tools: Sharing of resources and services, Database search, Instant Messaging and Virtual Reference Desks, Web based user education tools and information literacy services.
- ❖ Evaluation of Web content: Social media and Web 2.0, Social informatics
- ❖ Case studies: Library websites and portals of various types of libraries - Public/Academic/Special/ Other types - best practices.
- ❖ Websites and Portals as hub of knowledge and information services

➤ **SELECTION OF THE PAPER**

An expert committee constituted by KELPRO will select the best paper for awards. Paper will be judged on the basis of

- ❖ Originality of thought and observation.
- ❖ Depth of research and scholarship.
- ❖ Topicality of the problem addressed
- ❖ Quality of ideas, research methods, results or argument
- ❖ Quality of writing and referencing

The decision of the expert committee will be final in this regard.

➤ **AWARDS**

Three prizes will be given in this competition of the Best Student Paper-2015

- ❖ **First Prize** - The author of the Best Student Paper will be honoured with a cash prize of Rs.10,000/- a Certificate of Merit and free subscription of KELPRO Bulletin for 2 years.
- ❖ **Second & Third Prize** - The author of the second & third Best Student paper will be given a Certificate of Merit and free subscription of KELPRO Bulletin for 2 years.

(In case joint author paper winning the award, the prize money will be shared equally).

The award winning papers and few selected papers will be published in the Special issue of KELPRO Bulletin June 2015.

➤ **PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND DUE DATE**

- ❖ Length of the paper should be in the range of 4000-6000 words.
- ❖ Language: English.
- ❖ Reference should be given on author date system.
(For more details see Instructions to contributors in KELPRO Bulletin).
- ❖ Paper should be submitted in CD format done in MS Word together with a printed copy.
Also electronic submission to: **kelpo1993@gmail.com**

Due date of submission: 28th February 2015

Manuscript should be send to **Dr. S. Humayoon Kabir, Editor, KELPRO Bulletin, Post Box No. 5543, University P. O., Thiruvananthapuram - 695034, Kerala. (C/o Associate Professor, Dept. of Library and Information Science, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 034, Kerala).**

➤ **PAPER SHOULD BE ATTACHED WITH THE FOLLOWING**

- ❖ A certificate showing the details of enrolment of the student from the Head of the LIS Department.
- ❖ Proof of Date of Birth of the student (attested true copy).
- ❖ Declaration stating that the paper is an original work of mine and has not been published in any journal/book or presented in any seminar/ conference.

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