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## Samvaad Overseas Editorial

It is with great pleasure that the Dean International Relations Office and the Students International Relations Cell at PCCOE present to you Volume 3, Issue 6 of “Samvaad Overseas”, under the esteemed guidance of our honourable Director, Dr. Govind N. Kulkarni.

Through Samvaad Overseas, we aim to highlight PCCOE's global engagement endeavours, partnerships with universities or organisations worldwide, collaborative initiatives, academic exchanges, and research engagements that enhance cross-border knowledge sharing.

This newsletter showcases academic and research exchange opportunities, highlights international conferences, guest visits, and celebrates faculty and student achievements on the global stage. It also covers key events that enhance our institute's global presence and foster international collaboration. We hope Samvaad Overseas is both informative and inspiring as we strengthen global ties. Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

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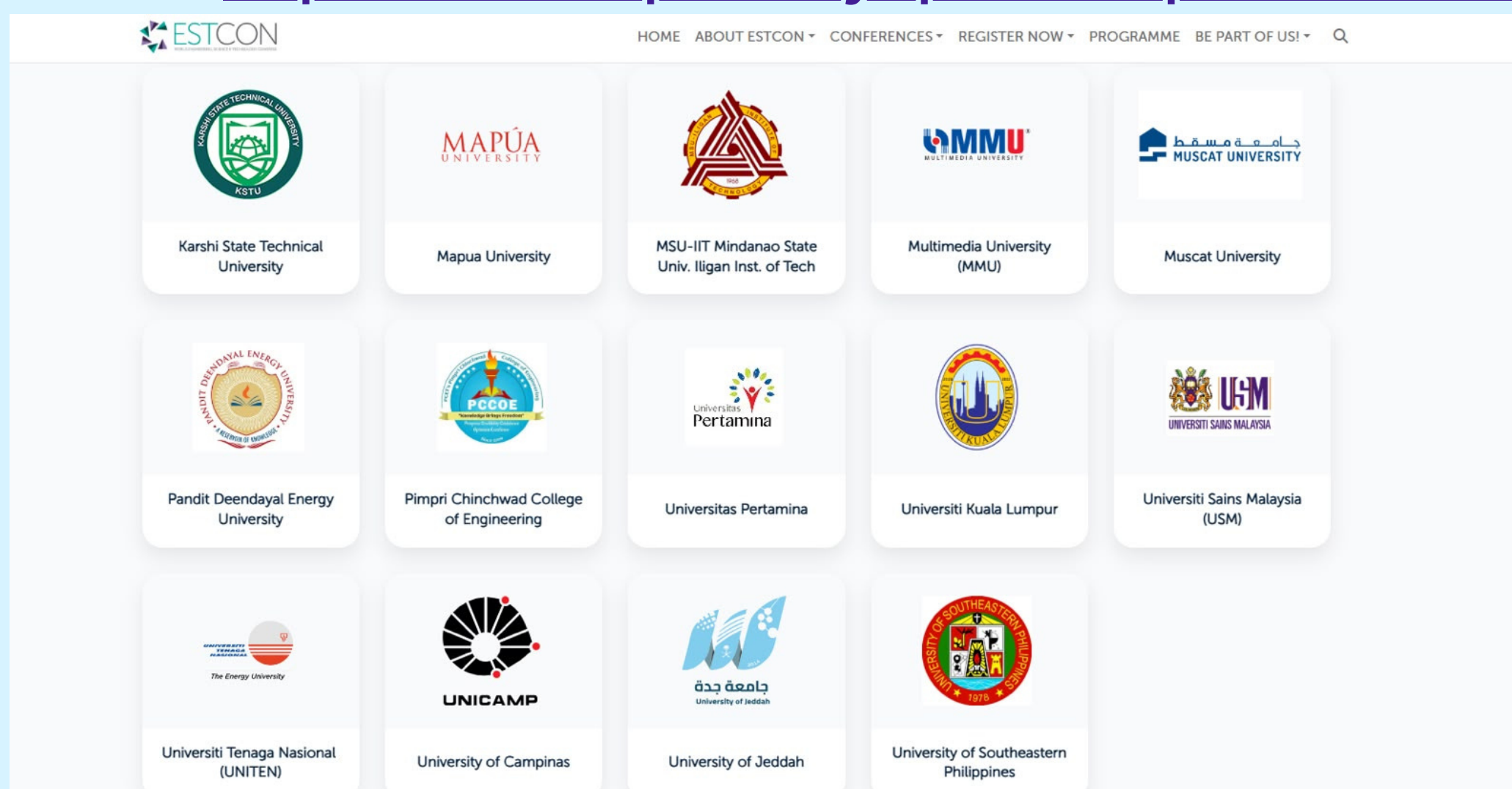
## PCCOE Partners as Co-Organiser for ESTCON 2026, Malaysia

PCCOE is proud to announce its association as an Official Co-Organiser for the 9th World Engineering Science and Technology Congress (ESTCON 2026), one of the leading international platforms for engineering, science, and technological research.

Organised by Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS (UTP), Malaysia, ESTCON 2026 will be held on 8<sup>th</sup>–9<sup>th</sup> September 2026 at the Penang Waterfront Convention Centre (PWCC), Malaysia. The congress brings together global researchers, academicians, industry experts, innovators, and students to exchange ideas, present research, and foster collaboration. PCCOE's role as Co-Organiser highlights its growing international presence and commitment to academic excellence, research, innovation, and global partnerships.

PCCoE looks forward to contributing to the success of ESTCON 2026 and strengthening global collaborations that inspire innovation and create a sustainable future.

- Penang Waterfront Convention Centre (PWCC), Malaysia
- Learn more: <https://estcon.utp.edu.my/sponsors/sponsors-co-organisers>



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## PCCOE Excels at TIGC 2026, Australia

The International Relations Cell, Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering (PCCOE), Pune, proudly celebrates the remarkable success of its students at the La Trobe University International Grand Challenge (TIGC) 2026, Australia. Competing alongside students from leading international universities, 8 student teams comprising over 24 students showcased innovative, sustainable, and impactful solutions to real-world challenges. Their exceptional performance earned a total innovation grant of AUD 4,950, reflecting PCCOE's commitment to global learning, innovation, and academic excellence.

### Achievement Snapshot



International Competition



8 Student Teams



24+ Student Participants



3 Academic Departments



AUD 4,950 Innovation Grant



Innovation | Sustainability | Global Collaboration

### Key Highlights

- Represented PCCOE on an international innovation platform.
- Secured AUD 4,950 in innovation grants.
- Students from three departments participated successfully.
- Civic Hackers received the highest grant of AUD 1,000.
- Information Technology secured the highest departmental grant (AUD 4,050).

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**PCCOE Excels at TIGC 2026, Australia**

**Excellence Across Departments**

- Information Technology: AUD 4,050
- Computer & Mechanical Engineering: AUD 500
- Computer Science (AI & ML): AUD 400

**Team Achievements**

 **Civic Hackers (IT) – AUD 1,000**

- Team Members - Ayush Jayatkar, Rushikesh Nakhale, Rouchi Mahajan, Nandkishor Vasi
- Team Mentor - Dr Sapna Kolambe

 **SolarVolt (IT)– AUD 400**

- Team Members - Shreyash Desai, Rachana Dixit , Mehul Chaudhari, Sohan Patil
- Team Mentor - Dr. Jayshree Katti

 **EcoSmart (IT) – AUD 750**

- Team Members - Vedant Sarode, Shivanjali Bhosale, Rutuja Bobade
- Team Mentor - Dr. Mukta Jamage

 **Hustlers (IT) – AUD 750**

- Team Members - Om bharambe, Madhav Khobare , Sidhant Mattoo, Atharva lokhande
- Team Mentor - Mrs. Tanuja Patankar

 **Team Aarohan (IT) – AUD 400**

- Team Members - Ashutosh Sanjay More, Athrav Sampat Shinde, Nishtha Pramod Parve
- Team Mentor - Dr. Harsha Bhute

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**PCCOE Excels at TIGC 2026, Australia**

**Team Achievements**

 **Terrainaware (IT)– AUD 750**

- Team Members - Varad Rane, Arshia Joshi, Snehal Bandgar, Soham Raddi
- Team Mentor - Dr. Harsha Bhute

 **StrawWays (CS/Mechanical) – AUD 500**

- Team Members - Parth Marotkar , Vipra Alur , Gandharv Godse , Nishta Desai
- Team Mentor - Mrs. Alpana Borse

 **Chiranjeev (AI & ML) – AUD 400**

- Team Members - Abhiraj Hiwale, Hlmanshu Dhakad, Ojas Saini, Harshal Raut
- Team Mentor - Dr Jyoti Kulkarni

**Global Learning Outcomes**

- Collaborated with international peers.
- Applied innovation and design thinking.
- Strengthened technical and leadership skills.
- Interacted with global mentors and experts.
- Enhanced teamwork and global perspectives.

**A Milestone of Excellence**

PCCOE's success at TIGC 2026 highlights its commitment to innovation, global collaboration, and experiential learning, preparing students to excel on the international stage.

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## Indradhanu 2026: A Greener Tomorrow

Indradhanu 2026 – PCCOE International Grand Challenge is the flagship international innovation hackathon organized by the Office of International Relations (OIR) and Students' International Relations Cell (SIRC), PCCOE. Under the theme "AI for Climate Change," the event inspires students to create innovative and sustainable AI-driven solutions for real-world environmental challenges.



### Why Participate?

- 🌍 International Exposure
- 💡 Showcase Your Innovation
- 🤝 Expert Mentorship
- 🚀 Skill Development

### Event Highlights

- 🌐 International Grand Challenge
- 👥 Open to All Disciplines
- 💰 Prize Pool: ₹2,00,000
- 🎓 Mentorship & Certificates

### Learning Outcomes

- 💡 Innovation & Design Thinking
- 🤝 Leadership & Teamwork
- 🌐 Global Collaboration
- 🧩 Problem-Solving Skills



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Pune, India



**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**  
presents  
**INTERNATIONAL GRAND CHALLENGE**  
**2026**

**REGISTRATIONS OPEN FOR**  
— THE 2<sup>ND</sup> EDITION OF —

  
**Indradhanu**  
PCCOE hackathon for a greener tomorrow  
Indradhanu: PCCOE International Grand Challenge 2026

**THEME: AI FOR CLIMATE CHANGE**

**EXCITING PRIZES**

**1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE**  
₹ 1,00,000/- & Trophy

**2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE**  
₹ 60,000/- & Trophy

**3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE**  
₹ 40,000/- & Trophy

No Registration Fees

Participation Certificates to all eligible teams

First two winning teams will be awarded a two week mentorship program at PCCOE

Special Consolation Prizes

**FOR TIMELINE, PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE**



**SCAN TO REGISTER**  
Join innovators from around the world to create solutions for a sustainable future!

For more details:- <https://www.pccoeinc.com>

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**Indradhanu 2026: A Greener Tomorrow**

With the tagline “PCCOE Hackathon for a Greener Tomorrow,” Indradhanu 2026 reflects PCCOE’s commitment to innovation, sustainability, research, and international collaboration. The initiative encourages students to use Artificial Intelligence responsibly to address climate challenges and contribute towards a greener, smarter, and more sustainable future.

**Register Now and Be a Part of the Innovation Revolution!**

Indradhanu 2026 provides a global platform for innovators passionate about AI, climate action, and sustainability to transform creative ideas into impactful solutions.

**Theme: AI for Climate Change**

 **No Registration Fee**

 **Participation Certificates for Eligible Teams**

 **Mentorship for Top Two Teams**

 **Open to Student Innovators Across Disciplines**

**Registration & More Information**

**Website: <https://www.pccoeigc.com>**

**Scan the QR Code on the Indradhanu 2026 poster to complete your registration and access detailed event guidelines.**



**Join us in shaping innovative AI-powered solutions for a greener, smarter, and more sustainable tomorrow!**

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**DST-JSPS Call for Proposals 2026**

The Department of Science & Technology (DST), Government of India, in partnership with the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), has announced the DST-JSPS Call for Proposals 2026 under the Indo-Japan Cooperative Science Programme (IJCSP). This bilateral programme is designed to strengthen scientific and technological cooperation between India and Japan by promoting collaborative research and academic exchange between researchers from both countries.

The initiative supports Joint Research Projects and Workshops/Seminars, promoting India-Japan collaboration through knowledge sharing, innovation, technology development, and long-term research partnerships to address global scientific challenges.

**Programme Objectives :**

The DST-JSPS programme aims to:

- Promote high-quality collaborative research between Indian and Japanese researchers.
- Strengthen long-term institutional partnerships in science, technology, and engineering.
- Facilitate the exchange of researchers, scientific knowledge, and research methodologies.
- Enhance international visibility and research excellence through collaborative publications and innovation.

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**DST-JSPS Call for Proposals 2026**

Priority Research Areas:

- The programme invites proposals in the following broad areas:
- Physical and Chemical Sciences
- Life Sciences and Agriculture
- Mathematics and Computational Science
- Astronomy and Earth Science
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Researchers working in interdisciplinary domains aligned with these areas are also encouraged to submit collaborative proposals.

Eligibility Criteria:

For Indian Principal Investigators (PIs):

- Applicants should be regular scientists or faculty members working in UGC-recognized universities, deemed universities, academic institutions, or national R&D laboratories/institutes.
- The Indian PI should possess the necessary expertise and institutional support to undertake the proposed research.

Collaboration Requirement:

- Every proposal must be jointly prepared by one Indian Principal Investigator and one Japanese Principal Investigator.
- The research proposal should demonstrate complementary expertise and clearly define the collaborative contributions of both research teams.

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**DST-JSPS Call for Proposals 2026**

**For Japanese Principal Investigators:**

The Japanese PI must be a full-time researcher affiliated with a university or research institution recognized by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS).

**Benefits of the Programme:**

- Participation in the DST-JSPS programme offers several advantages to researchers and institutions:
- Establish international collaborations with leading Japanese universities and research organizations.
- Access complementary expertise, advanced research facilities, and innovative methodologies.
- Promote faculty and researcher mobility through bilateral visits and academic exchanges.
- Generate high-impact research publications and strengthen opportunities for future international funding.
- Enhance institutional reputation through globally recognized research partnerships.

**Important Information:**

Researchers interested in applying should identify a suitable collaborator in Japan and jointly prepare a research proposal that aligns with the objectives of the programme. Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the eligibility conditions, proposal guidelines, funding provisions, and evaluation criteria before submission.

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## Japan Internship Program 2026

The Japan Internship Program 2026, supported by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Government of Japan, offers students and young professionals an excellent opportunity to gain global industry exposure. The program includes an online internship (24 August–18 September 2026) and two in-person internship terms (7 October–26 November and 4 November–20 December 2026). Participants will work with Japanese companies, develop professional and cross-cultural skills, and expand their international networks. The selection process includes document screening and online interviews. Interested applicants should submit their applications before the deadline to begin their journey toward a rewarding global career.



**JAPAN Internship Program** METI Government of JAPAN  
Japan Internship Program

## JAPAN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 2026

**Course Schedule**

- ✓ **Online Internship**  
August 24 – September 18, 2026
- ✓ **In-person Internship (1st term)**  
October 7 – November 26, 2026
- ✓ **In-person Internship (2nd term)**  
November 4 – December 20, 2026

※ Applicants may apply for multiple courses, but participation is limited to one course.

**Selection Process**

| May–June           | June–July                     | Around one month before the course starts |                  |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Document Screening | 2 Rounds of Online Interviews | Notification of Acceptance                | Contract Signing |

**Start Your Japan Career Journey with us!**

**APPLY NOW**

Application Deadline:  
Jun 30(Tue) 23:59 JST

<https://internshipprogram.go.jp/english/>



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**Call for DAAD Master's Scholarships 2027**

Students aspiring to pursue higher education in Germany can now explore the prestigious DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Master's Scholarships 2027. Funded by the German Federal Foreign Office, this scholarship supports outstanding international graduates who wish to undertake postgraduate studies at state or state-recognised universities in Germany.

**Who Can Apply?**

Applicants must have completed their first university degree (Bachelor's or equivalent) before the scholarship begins. The programme is open to graduates from all academic disciplines. What Does the Scholarship Cover?

**The scholarship supports :**

- A full-time Master's degree at a public or state-recognised university in Germany.
- One year of study in Germany as part of a Master's programme at the applicant's home university, provided the academic credits are recognised.

**Please note :**

Scholarships are only available for programmes starting in the Winter Semester 2027 and cannot be awarded for Master's programmes that have already commenced in Germany.

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**Call for DAAD Master's Scholarships 2027**

**Scholarship Benefits:**

Selected scholars will receive:

- €992 per month as a living allowance.
- Health, accident, and personal liability insurance.
- Travel allowance (upon approval).
- Annual study allowance of €460.
- Additional support such as rent subsidy, family allowance (where applicable), disability support, and Green Mobility funding for climate-friendly travel.

**German Language Support:**

The DAAD provides extensive German language support, including:

- Online German language courses
- Preparatory language training
- Reimbursement of TestDaF/DSH examination fees
- Language-learning support during the scholarship period

**Duration:**

The scholarship is available for 10 to 24 months, depending on the duration of the chosen Master's programme. Funding is expected to begin in October 2027.

- Programme Duration: 10–24 Months
- Expected Start: October 2027
- Programme Level: Master's

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**Selection Criteria:**

Applications are evaluated by an independent panel of academic experts based on:

- Academic excellence and previous educational achievements.
- Quality and relevance of the proposed study plan.
- Motivation for studying in Germany and future career goals.
- Language proficiency in the programme's language of instruction.
- Relevant internships, work experience, and extracurricular activities.
- Social commitment and leadership potential.

**Why Apply?**

The DAAD Master's Scholarship offers students an opportunity to study at leading German universities while receiving financial support, international exposure, global networking opportunities, and enhanced career prospects.

**Key Benefits:**

- Financial Support
- Study at Leading German Universities
- International Academic Exposure
- Global Networking Opportunities
- Enhanced Career Prospects

**Preparing to Apply:**

Students interested in pursuing postgraduate education in Germany are encouraged to prepare their applications well in advance and explore suitable Master's programmes aligned with their academic interests.

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**Call for India-Taiwan Joint Research Proposals**

The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, India, in collaboration with the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), Taipei, Taiwan, invites joint Research and Development (R&D) project proposals to strengthen academic and scientific collaboration between India and Taiwan in the field of Social Sciences.

The Funding support of up to ₹12 lakhs is available to the Indian research team for a two-year project. The initiative covers diverse disciplines across Social Sciences and Humanities, with a particular focus on the social impact of emerging technologies.

**Eligibility:**

- Applicants must hold a regular or permanent academic/research position in a recognized university, college, or research institution in India.
- Applicants must possess a Ph.D. degree (or equivalent qualification) with a demonstrated record of quality research.
- Proposals must be submitted jointly with a collaborating Principal Investigator from Taiwan.

**Funding Agency:**

- Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, India
- National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), Taipei, Taiwan.

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