



# Call for Papers: 8<sup>th</sup> Biennial Supply Chain Management Conference at IIMB

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Innovative Strategies for Sustainable and Digital Supply Chains. The Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, is set to host the Eighth Biennial Supply Chain Management Conference on January 5–6, 2024. This event, organised by IIMB's Supply Chain Management Centre (SCMC), is aimed at academic researchers and industry practitioners in the fields of operations and supply chain management. The conference promises to be an excellent opportunity for attendees to exchange insights, share best practises, listen to various keynote sessions, and participate in research presentations.

— The theme of the 8<sup>th</sup> Biennial Supply Chain Management Conference: —

Innovative Strategies for Sustainable and Digital Supply Chains.

#### About the conference

The upcoming conference on "*Innovative Strategies for Sustainable and Digital Supply Chains*" is set to be a captivating and informative event that will unite experts from diverse fields to delve into the most recent trends, innovations, and best practices for establishing environmentally sustainable and digitally advanced supply chains. This gathering will serve as a platform for industry leaders, policymakers, and researchers to exchange their valuable insights and experiences regarding the optimization of supply chain operations while minimizing environmental impact. With a specific focus on the advantages of digitalization, such as enhanced visibility, efficiency, and collaboration, the conference will explore cutting-edge technologies and tools that enable companies to achieve these objectives.

The conference is expected to attract a diverse range of attendees, including supply chain executives, sustainability professionals, government officials, and researchers. Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in interactive sessions and workshops, engage in networking activities, present the latest research, and learn from some of the most innovative and knowledgeable experts in the field.

#### **Important Dates**

Extended Abstract Submission Opens (word limit 1500)	15-Jun-23
Extended Abstract Submission Ends	15-Aug-23
Abstract acceptance	01-Sep-23
Full Paper submission for Student Paper Competition	15-Sep-23
Conference Registration Opens	01-Oct-23
Conference registration Last Date	31-Oct-23
Conference Dates	January 5 and 6, 2024

# **List of Topics**

We invite academicians and practitioners to contribute quality research and real-life practise contributions describing their original works on conceptual, analytical, empirical, or experimental areas in operations and supply chain management that may include the following topics:

Reverse Logistics and Circular Economy	Supply Chain - Human Resources Interface
Sustainability Reporting	Supply Chain - Economics Interface
Sustainable Warehousing and Transportation	Supply Chain - Finance Interface
Electric Vehicles in Commercial Transportation	Supply Chain - Marketing Interface
Sustainable / Responsible Sourcing	Supply Chain - Human Resources Interface
Design for Environment	Supply Chain - Manufacturing Interface
Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience	New Business Models and Supply Chain Innovation
Collaborations for Sustainable Supply Chains	Resilient Supply Chains
Digitalisation in Sustainability	Supply Chain Analytics
Digital Transformation of Supply Chains	Supply Chain Visibility
Digital Supply Chain Planning and Execution	Global Supply Chain Operations
AI enabled Supply Chains	Skilling for Digital and Sustainable Supply Chains
Blockchain and IoT in Supply Chain	Supply Chain and Govt Regulations

# **Conference Highlights**

- Solicit feedback to improve research quality and expand publication possibilities.
- Network with renowned national and international scholars and academics
- Attend keynote talks led by distinguished academics and industry experts.

#### **Doctoral Student Paper Competition**

Awards will be given to outstanding doctoral students for demonstrating high quality research output, based on the decision of the Faculty Review Committee.

Best Paper Award	Rs 20,000
First Runner Up	Rs 15,000

The highlight of the 8th Biennial Supply Chain Management Conference is the dedicated track for the doctoral student paper competition. Four to six finalists will be selected and invited to present their papers in a special session at the conference. The registration fees for each finalist will be waived.

The eligibility and submission guidelines for the competition are provided below.

#### **Submission Guidelines for Regular Conference Track**

- The authors are requested to submit their extended abstracts (not exceeding 1,500 words) electronically in MS Word or PDF format with single line spacing, including the name, affiliation, mailing address, email address, and contact number of the author and contact information at: <u>https://www.iimb.ac.in/8th-biennial-scm-conference/</u> In the case of multiple authors, the letter should indicate the author to whom correspondence should be addressed.
- Extended abstracts can include case study discussions, research in progress, and full research projects.
- Extended abstracts must include a clear indication of the purpose of the research, methodology, major results, implications, and key references.
- Submitted abstracts will undergo peer review to check their suitability for the conference.
- One of the authors of each accepted paper must register for the conference and agree to present the paper at the conference.

#### **Doctoral Student Paper Competition**

#### Eligibility conditions for the competition

- The applicant must be a doctoral student on or after April 1, 2023, and the research must have been conducted while the applicant was a doctoral student (The students who have defended their PhD dissertation on or before 31st March 2023 are not eligible for competition).
- Only one paper can be submitted by an applicant.
- The submitted paper must present the original research conducted primarily by the applicant while being a PhD student. Collaborations with other individuals (such as the applicant's faculty advisor or other students) are permitted, but the applicant's research advisor must certify that the applicant's contribution to the papers is at least 50%.
- The topic of the paper must fall within the scope of operations and supply chain management.
- The submitted paper can be a working paper under review for journal publication, accepted for journal publication, or already published in a journal in the last year.

#### **Submission Guidelines for the competition**

- A cover letter from the advisor, including a statement that the applicant has met the eligibility conditions.
- The paper is in pdf format with at most 32 pages (including all references and appendices) in standard format (1" margins, double-spaced, 11-point font). The author's name should not appear on the paper. Paper exceeding the page limit will be returned without review.
- Please prepare a separate title page with details about the authors of the paper, including their name, affiliation, mailing address, email address, and contact number.
- The applicant should also submit extended abstract of the paper via regular conference track s ubmission mode (i.e., before 15th August 2023)
- The applicant must register for the conference and agree to present the paper at the conference.
- The authors are requested to submit their papers at: https://www.iimb.ac.in/8th-biennial-scm-conference/

#### **Registration Fee**

Delegate Category	India in INR	International in USD
Authors	₹ 7,000.00	\$ 150.00
Academic Delegates	₹ 8,000.00	\$ 150.00
Corporate Delegates	₹ 10,000.00	\$ 150.00
Students and Research Scholars	₹ 5,000.00	\$ 100.00

#### Venue:

The two-day conference will be conducted in person at IIM Bangalore campus.

#### **Conference Chairs**

The two-day conference will be conducted in person at IIM Bangalore campus.

Prof. Tarun Jain	Production and Operations Management, IIM Bangalore
Prof. Abhinav Anand	Finance & Accounting, IIM Bangalore

#### **Coordinator Conference Activities**

Dr Aditya Gupta

COO, Supply Chain Management Centre, IIM Bangalore

# **Doctoral Students Organising Committee**

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### **Contact Details**

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