

Youth for Impact: Driving Equity and Innovation in Sports Leadership

India's sporting landscape is undergoing a major transformation, and the **theme "Youth for Impact: Driving Equity and Innovation in Sports Leadership"** reflects this shift. With a predominantly young population, India's youth are central to redefining sports as athletes, leaders, and innovators. Their involvement is vital for breaking stereotypes, expanding access, and modernising governance. Equity—especially gender inclusion and opportunities for marginalised communities—must anchor this progress. Alongside this, innovation through AI, analytics, and sports tech will reshape talent development and fan engagement. By 2047, youth-driven leadership, inclusive ecosystems, and global competitiveness can position Indian sport as a force for national pride and social transformation.

Sub theme:

Inclusive Pathways:
Breaking Barriers in Sports Access.

Youth Leadership
in Sports Governance

Sports Tech & AI:
Innovating for Performance and Engagement

Global Competitiveness:
Building Champions for future India

Sports as a Catalyst for Social Transformation

Sustainable Sports Ecosystems: Green, Resilient, and Future-Ready



Important Dates

Full Paper Submission Opens:
1 January 2026

Submission Closes:
31 January 2026

Intimation of Acceptance:
07 February 2026

Registration Opens:
08 February 2026

Registration Closes:
15 February 2026

Seminar Dates:
05 March to 07 March 2026

Eligibility: Open to youth researchers (below 35 years), scholars, and practitioners from India and abroad with thematic expertise.

Important information: No registration fee is required. Selected papers will get traveling, fooding, and lodging support.

Seminar Mode: Physical only

Format: Full paper following standard format in PDF

Font: Times New Roman, Size 12, Double-spaced

Margins: 1-inch (2.5 cm)

References: APA (7th Edition)

Submission Portal: <https://conf.iimshillong.ac.in/isyi/>

Presentation & Publication:

Accepted papers will be compiled and published by the host university as part of a formal compendium, with support from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India.

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