

NATIONAL LIFE SCIENCE ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARENESS PROGRAMME

On the 28th of June 2017, The Department of Life Sciences, in association with BREC (BIRAC Regional Entrepreneurship Centre) conducted the National Life Science Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme . It was a one day workshop that focussed on the theme of fostering entrepreneurial spirit among life science students. Professor Vasantha V. L. of the Department of Life Sciences, Christ University was the Coordinator of the event while Dr. Niranjana Joshi of BREC, C-CAMP was the Programme-in-charge. The event began at 9:00 A.M. with the invocation song by Alistair and team, followed by the welcome address by Professor Vasantha V. L. This was shortly followed by the Inaugural address by the Vice Chancellor Reverend Father Dr. Colonel Thomas C. Matthew. The opening remarks were delivered by Dr. Niranjana Joshi who was the Programme-in-charge. He set the tone of the workshop by briefly introducing the theme of the workshop.

The first session of the workshop was conducted by two renowned entrepreneurs: Dr. Sudeendra Koushik and Dr. Pragya Dixit from 9:15 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. Dr. Koushik is the Chief Innovator and Co-Founder, Prasu and Dr. Dixit is the Chief Entrepreneur and Co-Founder of Prasu. Their session was an Entrepreneurship Awareness Session that focussed on creating a sense of awareness among students about the broad spectrum of opportunities that lie in the area of entrepreneurship.

The second session began at 11:00 A.M. It was conducted by Dr. Ritu Mehdiratta, Consultant- IPR, C-CAMP. Her session threw light on the basics of Intellectual Property Rights and the various do's and don't's of the same. She also spoke about how a Patent works, both nationally and internationally while also educating the participants on how to go about filing one. Her session also concluded with a discussion with the various participants.

The third session was conducted from 11:30 A.M. by Dr. Niranjana Joshi, the Programme-in-charge, BREC at C-CAMP. In his talk, Dr. Niranjana Joshi discussed the various elements of the Entrepreneurial Ecosystem and how they all work together in making a successful entrepreneurial career. He also exposed the audience to the various programs and opportunities that are currently available to nurture and develop one's entrepreneurial skills and ideas.

The final session was more of an interactive session that began at 12:00 P.M. and was conducted by Dr. Arun Chandru, Co-founder, Pandorum Technologies. Through his session he guided the participants through the field of Bio-Entrepreneurship and brought to light the current status of the career in this field, both nationally and internationally. His session concluded the workshop.

The program was a success with over a hundred and fifty participants including Students as well as Professors. Through this workshop, the participants gained a greater awareness and understanding of what it is to be an entrepreneur and gained access to the various platforms that would help them face the Entrepreneurial world.







Who is an Entrepreneur?

You are an **ENTREPRENEUR** iff
can live a few years of your
like most people won't,

our life
can't