

## Message from the Dean of the Faculty of Computing

It brings me immense pride to welcome you to the third edition of the Computing Undergraduate Research Symposium (ComURS2026), organized by the Faculty of Computing, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. This year's theme, **"Next-Gen Solutions for a Digitally Connected World"**, reflects our commitment to developing innovative technologies that address the challenges of an increasingly interconnected global society. As we advance into an era defined by digital transformation, our students continue to demonstrate exceptional creativity and technical excellence in bridging technology with real-world impact.



ComURS2026 provides an invaluable platform for our undergraduates to showcase their research across four key computing domains: Information Systems, Software Engineering, Data Science, and Open Computing. This symposium enables students to present their findings, engage in meaningful academic discourse, and collaborate with peers, faculty, and industry experts. Since the inaugural ComURS in 2024, we have witnessed remarkable growth in both the quality and scope of undergraduate research at our faculty. What began as an ambitious initiative has now evolved into a cornerstone event that defines our research culture. Our students are no longer simply learning about computing; they are actively contributing to it through innovative solutions that address both local challenges and global opportunities. The Faculty of Computing has consistently fostered academic excellence through comprehensive mentorship programs, state-of-the-art research facilities, and strategic industry partnerships.

Our students and faculty members have made significant contributions through publications in reputed journals, presentations at national and international conferences, and participation in research initiatives that advance the field of computing. I extend my sincere gratitude to the Vice-Chancellor of Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka for continued support. My heartfelt appreciation goes to the Evaluators, Heads of Departments, faculty members, and all stakeholders who have contributed to our vibrant research ecosystem.

Special recognition is due to the organizing committee of ComURS2026 for their exceptional dedication and tireless efforts in ensuring the success of this symposium. To all participants, I extend my warmest wishes as you present your innovative research. May this symposium inspire groundbreaking ideas and contribute significantly to the advancement of computing in our digitally connected world.

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