

Interfacing Science and Traditional Knowledge (ISTK)

Invitation for Expression of Interest for Participation

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ISTK is a highly multi-disciplinary area, and a major challenge is to identify resource persons with expertise/interest in the interface areas between science, metaphysics and other traditional knowledge systems. CSIR-NISTADS is therefore trying to create a resource base of scientists and scholars around various topics in the related area, who would be interested in this exploratory initiative. The resource persons would be included in our mailing list and shall be contacted for participation in specific activities like Workshops and Conclaves related to the initiative. The emphasis is on exploratory knowledge; religious or religio-political issues are NOT included.

To join the initiative kindly register at <http://nistads.res.in/metsci/vedsci.php?rid=2>, or e-mail at vedsci@nistads.res.in.

As a part of this initiative, CSIR-NISTADS, in collaboration with National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru is organizing a Discussion Meeting on '**Mind, Consciousness and Beyond: Building on Vedantic Metaphysics**' to enhance our understanding of mind, consciousness and related topics in the backdrop of the current scientific knowledge and major challenges and methodologies (objectivity, repeatability, verifiability, etc.); please visit www.nistads.res.in for details. The event will be organized at CSIR-NISTADS during **5–7 March 2018**. For agenda and other details please visit <http://nistads.res.in/metsci/>.