

Greetings!

We are writing to invite you to participate in the 2nd Science and Research Opportunities in India (Sci-ROI) Young Investigator Meeting - Chicago (YIM-C) to be held from September 9-10, 2017 at the Gordon Center for Integrative Science, University of Chicago, Chicago.

Sci-ROI was inaugurated in 2015 at the Consulate General of India, Chicago to bridge the gap between scientific community and entrepreneurs from USA and India. Sci-ROI launched its first annual event YIM-C 2016 with the help of Consul General of India, Chicago and WINStep Forward in Oct, 2016. We appreciate the continued support of the CGI, Chicago and wish to make YIM-C 2017 bigger and better with your presence.

YIM-C 2017 will provide a forum for networking among scholars from academia, industry, entrepreneurs and policy makers from India and the United States to facilitate interactions, exchange of ideas and experiences to help promote multi-level collaborative initiatives across various disciplines.

In recent years, government of India has put special emphasis in creating several world class organizations by increasing the number of science and technology institutions such as NITs, IITs and IISERs. The government's initiatives have not only provided immense employment opportunities but also avenues to establish newer education and entrepreneurial ventures in India. However, a majority of scholars and entrepreneurs of South-east Asian origin working in the USA lack information on such emerging opportunities in many universities and institutes across India. Through meetings like "Young Investigators Meeting", participants get an opportunity to expand their knowledge on employment opportunities in the diverse areas of academia, government and industry through engaging with peers, delegates of Indian government/institutions and senior Indian/US leaders, headhunters at the same time also get access to a pool of highly qualified employments seekers of diverse disciplines and talents.

Sci-ROI YIM-C aims to be instrumental in showcasing the diversity of talent in the US to policy makers, institutional heads, and talent hunters from India, while exposing Sci-ROI members, many of whom are undertaking cutting-edge research and development, to the unlimited opportunity for engagement and collaboration in various sectors thus, enabling establishment of a network between individuals and agencies in India and the US.

Registration fees for the Sci-ROI YIM-C 2017 to be co-hosted by University of Chicago is \$30.00 (<http://sciroi.net/yimc2017.html>) and details of the scheduled event is available at <http://sciroi.net/yimc2017.html>. Conference registration includes admittance and access to all sessions on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. A morning beverage refreshment, lunch and afternoon snack are included with your registration fee.

It is indeed a pleasure to share that participants have benefitted immensely by attending the Sci-ROI YIM-C 2016 event and have successfully formed network with Indian delegates and also securing job interviews. This year we expect more attendance and successful outcomes for the participants and Indian hiring managers through this event.

We encourage the participants to learn more about the event through our annual report and also encourage to send email to the outreach organizing committee (kovikiran@gmail.com or sgshoshdastidar@ucsd.edu) for any doubt or clarification. We wish you the very best and feel privileged to be a part in your endeavor to have an outstanding flourishing career in India or abroad.

With best regards,

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Venue **September 9-10:**
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September 11:
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University of Illinois- Urbana Champaign*

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