



# Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science

## 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Sessions - Concise Glance Program

*‘Science Diplomacy as a Powerful Force for*

*National Unity and Friendship among Nations”*

*at*

**The Open University of Sri Lanka, Nawala.**

**from 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

EVENT	DATE (December 2023)	TIME	VENUE
<b>Ceremonial inauguration and awards ceremony</b>	Sunday - 10 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm – 5.00 pm	<b>BMICH</b> <i>Jasmine Hall</i>
<b>Theme seminar</b>	Monday - 11 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am – 2.00pm	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Faculty of Health Sciences</i> New auditorium
<b>Scientific sessions Part 1</b>	Tuesday - 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am – 5.00 pm	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> Colombo Regional Center <i>Nawala</i> Section A – Lecture Room 1 Section B – Lecture Room 2 Section C – Lecture Room 3 Section D – Lecture Room 4 Section E1– Lecture Room 7 Section E2– Lecture Room 8 Section E3– Lecture Room 9 Section F - Lecture Room 10
<b>Sectional Business meetings</b>		10.0am – 11.00am	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> Colombo Regional Center <i>Nawala</i> <i>(at the same venue assigned for scientific sessions)</i>
<b>Presidential addresses Part 1</b>		8.00 am – 4.30 pm (4 time slots)	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Colombo Regional Center</i> Auditorium - Block 7

<b>Poster session</b> Day 1		8.00 am – 4.30 pm	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Colombo Regional Center</i> Block 4
<b>Scientific sessions</b> Part 2	Wednesday -13 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am – 5.00 pm	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Colombo Regional Center, Nawala</i> Section A – Lecture Room 1 Section B – Lecture Room 2 Section C – Lecture Room 3 Section D – Lecture Room 4 Section E1– Lecture Room 7 Section E2– Lecture Room 8 Section E3– Lecture Room 9 Section F - Lecture Room 10
<b>Presidential addresses</b> Part 2		8.00 am – 4.30 pm (4 time slots)	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Colombo Regional Center</i> Auditorium - Block 7
<b>Poster session</b> Day 2		8.00 am – 4.30 pm	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Colombo Regional Center</i> Block 4
<b>Special council meeting</b> (Council members only)		5.00 pm – 7.00 pm	<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> Faculty Boardroom
<b>SLAAS annual dinner</b>		7.00 pm onwards	To be declared
<b>Mini symposium</b> on 'Nuclear power: is it the way forward as a clean and green energy source?'		Thursday - 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 – 12.00 pm
<b>Mini symposium</b> on Interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary studies.	2.00 pm – 5.00 pm		<b>The Open University of Sri Lanka</b> <i>Faculty of Health Sciences</i> New auditorium
<b>Annual General Meeting</b> (SLAAS members only)	Friday -15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am- 12.30 pm	SLAAS Headquarters Vidya Mawatha, Colombo7

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**Ceremonial Inauguration**

*(Invitees Only)*

**Sunday, December 10, 2022, at 2.00 – 5.00 p.m.**

at

**Bandaranaike Memorial International Convention Hall**

*Jasmin Hall*

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<b>2.00 p.m.</b>	Arrival of members and guests
<b>2.20 p.m.</b>	Arrival of the Chief Guest and Guest of Honour
<b>2.30 p.m.</b>	Introduction of members of the SLAAS council
<b>2.40 p.m.</b>	Commencement of the ceremonial procession
<b>2.45 p.m.</b>	Traditional lighting of the oil lamp
<b>2.55 p.m.</b>	National Anthem
<b>3.00 p.m.</b>	Welcome Address by Prof Ranjith Senarathne General President of the SLAAS
<b>3.10 p.m.</b>	Felicitations from sister associations
<b>3.20 p.m.</b>	Address by the Chief Guest
<b>3.50 p.m.</b>	Address by Guest of Honour
<b>4.10 p.m.</b>	Award presentation
<b>4.30 p.m.</b>	Address by the General President of the SLAAS
<b>5.00 p.m.</b>	Award presentation
<b>5.20 p.m.</b>	Vote of thanks Prof Ramani Wijesekara General president elected for 2024
<b>5.30 p.m.</b>	Refreshments

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**The general layout of main session activities  
at The Open University of Sri Lanka**

	Monday December 11	Tuesday, December 12	Wednesday, December 13	Thursday, December 14
Session I 8.00-10.15	Theme Seminar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> <li>• Business meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> <li>• Poster presentation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini-symposium <i>‘Nuclear power: is it the way forward as a clean and green energy source?’</i></li> </ul>
10.15-10.30		Tea	Tea	
Session II 11.30-12.45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> <li>• Poster presentation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> <li>• Poster presentation</li> </ul>	
12.45-1.30				
Session III 1.30-2.45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> <li>• Poster presentation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> <li>• Poster presentation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini-symposium on <i>Interdisciplinary and Multidisciplinary studies</i></li> </ul>
2.45-3.00		Tea	Tea	
Session IV 3.00-4.45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Presidential address</li> </ul>	