



# IPC 2018



## 04<sup>th</sup> International Pāli Conference

### Bhāvanā-naya-vibhāvanā (An Exposition of Meditation Praxis)

Organized by : Department of Pali & Buddhist Studies, University of Peradeniya

#### Call for Papers

Academics are invited to present research papers in Pāli medium



# 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2018

#### SUB THEMES

- Bhāvanā: āhaccapadavīmaṃsanā**  
(Meditation: An Examination of Definitions)
- Samatha-vipassanā - yuganaddhapariyogāhanam**  
(Understanding Samatha & Vipassanā in Tandem)
- Bhāvanāya nimittapariyesana-kiccapaṭipāṭinayo**  
(Methodology of Seeking an Object for Meditation)
- Bhāvanāya nekappabhedānam rasavīmaṃsanā**  
(An Investigation of the Functional Value of Various Meditation Techniques)
- Bhāvanā: Nikāyāntara - matavādāni**  
(Meditation: Various Theoretical Standpoints of Buddhist Traditions)



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#### IMPORTANT DATES

- Submission of Full Paper  
**15<sup>th</sup> of August 2018**
- Notification of Acceptance  
**15<sup>th</sup> of September 2018**

#### GUIDELINES

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## **International Pali Conference – 2018**

The Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies, University of Peradeniya organizes the International Pali Conference (IPC) in 2018 for the fourth consecutive year. It is scheduled to be held in the University premises on 30<sup>th</sup> of October, 2018. In the last three conferences, a great enthusiasm from the community of scholars in Pali studies was witnessed. The newcomers to the field also got the opportunity to present their research in those events. As an annual event held in the medium of Pali, the lingua franca of Theravada Buddhism, with an international audience, the participants find it to be one of the rarest opportunities to come across.

The theme of IPC-2018 is “An Exposition of Meditation Praxis” (Bhāvanā-naya-vibhāvanā). The methods of mental culture play a significant role generally in many religions and particularly in the religions of Indian origin. Out of them, possibly the Buddhist meditational techniques are the most recognized in both popular and scholarly levels. This recognition shares much with the perception of Buddhism as a system of psychology. Moreover, Buddhist meditation encompasses a wide variety of traditions from several eras and locations. The organizers of this year have realized that this kind of topic can take scholars and practitioners together to work on integrating their areas of interest.

The organizing committee of IPC-2018 consists of the academics of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies, University of Peradeniya. Dr. H. M. Mahinda Herath, a senior lecturer in Pali studies from the University of Peradeniya holds the conference chair. The keynote speech will be delivered by Ven. Prof. Medagampitiye Vijithadhamma from the University of Sri Jayawardenepura, a prominent young scholar in Pali studies with an international repute. The organizing committee invites those who are enthusiastic to participate in the event by submitting papers, present their research, and enriching discussions. They further acknowledge the support given by the authorities of the University. Those who wish to know more about IPC-2018 can get information through sending a request to [ipc@pdn.ac.lk](mailto:ipc@pdn.ac.lk).