

Greetings from AssisTech Foundation (ATF)!

In an endeavor to make India a leader in the field of Assistive Technology (technology for people with Disabilities and for senior citizens), and enable assistive technology initiatives, **IIT Madras Research Park (Chennai, India)** in partnership with **AssisTech Foundation (ATF)** is hosting the **5th EMPOWER Assistive Technology Conference 2022 - India's Foremost Conference to encourage and promote research and development of indigenous Assistive Technology Solutions!** It is to be held on **13th- 15th October 2022.**

The annual conference will support in seeding ideas for research, innovation and commercialization of homegrown AT solutions.

- The flow of events include:
 - Talks by industry experts in AT such as Prof Catherine Holloway (GDI Hub, UK), Mr. Pradeep Gupta (Cybermedia), Mr. Sameer Rawal (DISQ, TCS), Dr. Homiyar Mobedji (Benetech) and many others, as will be published in the programme schedule, soon to be updated in the conference website (<https://empower2022.in/>).
- Technical paper and poster presentations on AT solutions that support access to community, activities of daily living, communication, mobility and entertainment.
- Product exhibition and presentations by AT startups and innovators from all over India and abroad.
- Technical Workshops with hands-on experience on diverse topics ranging from Alternative and Augmentative Communication (AAC), AT for seating, positioning and mobility, AT for hand rehabilitation etc.
 - Student Design Challenge with exciting prizes and entrepreneurship support for the winners.
- The final awarding ceremony of **India's first Assistive Technology awards: ATF Awards 2022** by the **AssisTech Foundation (ATF)** will also be conducted at EMPOWER 2022.

Hence, this is a one-of-a-kind mutual knowledge exchange opportunity for Assistive Technology start-ups to:

1. Meet and interact with peers, pioneers, mentors, industry experts and all the stakeholders in the assistive technology sector, including researchers, user organizations, and policy makers. This will therein help in identifying, exchanging and understanding the issues pertaining to sustainable development goals in order to scale up the Assistive Technology ecosystem in India.
2. Build awareness on existing solutions in your focus domain and also to brainstorm and seed ideas for future solutions.
 - Join hands to inspire and skill building of young entrepreneurs and college students in the area of Disability and Assistive Technology.
3. Showcase your invention to the network of intended end-users, fellow developers and leading investors. (Exhibitors will get the space and also a time slot for presentation of their products).

Also, if you would like to exhibit your product, kindly fill out the below form after your registration.

Google form for sharing your product details:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfB7SsutpTF-U6vzP3Pc41eH9XZZaj_cVdZDI-lkBC14kxAhw/viewform

Therefore, please register as soon as possible to witness the never seen before gala of the Assistive Technology Sector.

With best regards,
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Register Now!!

EMPOWER 2022
India's Foremost Conference on Creating Assistive Technology Solutions
in partnership with
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Accelerating Social Impact
13th - 15th, Oct 2022
at IIT Madras Research Park

AssisTech Foundation Awards

India's first AT Awards honoring indigenous AT Startups

New Product Launches

Launch of innovative AT products and solutions

Paper Presentations

Technical paper presentations, advocacy & policy reform, access to AT community

AT Solutions Exhibition

100+ startups exhibiting AT products, innovative solutions and prototypes

Interactive Workshops

Engaging workshops on Alternative & Augmentative Communication (AAC) Positioning, mobility & more

Talks @ Empower

Talks by industry experts and distinguished speakers regarding current challenges & future scope

AT Startup Presentation

Presentations by entrepreneurs & networking with innovators in the AT sector

Global Rainbow Foundation

Talks by GRF Partners, special performances & community engagement

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