



Islamic World Science & Technology
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D-8 Organization for
Economic Cooperation

WEBINAR

Introduction of ISC to the Members of the D-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation

ISC Services and Products for D-8 Member States

📅 10 July, 2023

🕒 11:30-13:45 (Shiraz Time/GMT+3:30) / 11.00-13.15 Istanbul time.

🔗 <https://vc.isc.ac/oisc> (Adobe Connect Platform)

Introduction:

The Developing Eight Organization for Economic Cooperation (D-8) is an inter-governmental organization established by Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Türkiye in 1997. Guided by its Charter, the D-8 objectives are to improve developing countries' positions in the world economy, diversify and create new opportunities in trade relations, enhance participation in decision-making at the international level, and provide a better standard of living. In so doing, the D-8 focused its cooperation in six priority areas, namely trade, energy, agriculture & food security, transportation, and tourism. Noting the global development, the D-8 also expanded its attention to information and communication technology, health, and human resources development.

Islamic World Science & Technology Monitoring and Citation Institute (ISC) is an internationally recognized centre for scientific information services, established during the 4th Meeting of the Ministers of Higher Education and Scientific Research held by ISESCO in Baku, Capital of the Republic of Azerbaijan, in 2008. As the third indexing system of the world, ISC aims to promote the visibility, impact, and quality of scientific research from the Islamic world by providing: essential citation analysis; tracing performance of universities, journals and faculty members and providing guidelines on how to improve it; university and journal ranking systems; science, technology and innovation platforms like Needs and Ideas Platform; ISC-ID to researchers of the Islamic countries; DOR (Digital Object Recognizer) code to journal articles; indexing of journals, and other related services.

The D-8 and ISC signed an MoU on 13 February 2023, reaffirming their intentions for cooperation in the fields of scientometrics, technology, innovation, and other areas of mutual



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interest. Among the activities delineated in the MoU are awareness-raising campaigns and joint activities in the education sectors.

Against such background, the D-8 and ISC plan to co-organize a webinar on the role of ISC and its services in promoting the status of science, research, technology and innovation in the D-8 region.

Purpose:

The purpose of this webinar is to increase the share of the D-8 countries in using ISC's services which have a lot of applications for global research and scientific communities. The webinar could serve as a platform to introduce the services and capacities of ISC in promoting science, research, technology and innovation in the Islamic world. The webinar will provide a platform for participants to learn about the various services offered by ISC and how they can benefit from them in their respective countries. As a result of the webinar, it will be demonstrated that ISC's services will be a great help in attaining to more comprehensive scientific, research, technological and innovative networks and collaborations in the D-8 region and the Islamic World as a whole.

Objectives:

- To introduce ISC and its mission to the audience.
- To highlight the services and products offered by ISC, including citation analysis, indexing, journal evaluation, university ranking, etc.
- To discuss the importance of these services for scientific research and their impacts on innovation in the D-8 Member States.
- To showcase successful examples of ISC's collaborations with various institutions in the developing world.
- To introduce ISC's main services, i.e. ISC's Needs and Ideas Platform, DOR, ISC-ID, etc.
- To provide an opportunity for participants to ask questions and engage in a discussion with ISC representatives and vice versa.

Target Audience:

The webinar is targeted toward rectors and vice rectors of universities; editor-in chiefs and staff of scientific journals; researchers and academicians, experts from industries; journal accreditation systems; university ranking systems; and policymakers from the D-8 Member States, particularly those who are interested in availing themselves of ISC's services and enhancing the quality and visibility of their scientific research.



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Format:

The webinar will be conducted virtually on Adobe connect Platform (<https://vc.isc.ac/oisc>), with presentations by ISC representatives on various services offered by the centre, followed by a Q&A session. The duration of the webinar will be approximately 2 hours.

Speakers:

- The D-8 Secretary-General (Keynote Address)
- The President of ISC (Opening Remarks)
- Panel presentation by experts from ISC and D-8 Member States.

Expected Outcomes:

- i. A better understanding of ISC and its role in promoting science, research, technology and innovation in the Islamic world and utilizing this knowledge for promoting cooperation among the D-8 Member States in related fields.
- ii. Awareness of the services and products offered by ISC and how they can provide D-8 Member States with grounds to promote their status of science, research, technology and innovation in their respective countries and the world.
- iii. Gaining inspiration to collaborate with ISC to enhance the visibility and impact of their scientific research.
- iv. Cohesiveness of the academic world in the D-8 region.

Conclusion:

This webinar provides an excellent opportunity for researchers, academicians, and policymakers from the D-8 Member States to learn about the services and capacities of the Islamic World Science & Technology Monitoring and Citation Institute (ISC) and on how to use them. By participating in this webinar, they can benefit from ISC's expertise in enhancing the visibility and impact of their scientific research through creating connections between the needs of society, public and private industry sectors, on one side, and researchers, knowledge-based and creative companies, science and technology parks and growth centres on the other.



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Timetable of D-8-ISC Webinar on:

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#	Agenda Item	Presenter	Time *
1	Recitation of the Holy Quran	Recorded File	11:30
2	Announcement of the Program	Webinar Host	11:35
3	Keynote Address	D-8 Secretary General	11:40
4	Opening Remarks	ISC President	11:55
5	Brief History of ISC and Its International Collaborations	ISC's Expert	12:05
6	Introduction of ISC's Services	ISC's Expert	12:20
7	Q&A Session: Speech, Questions, and Comments by the Respected Attendees (Each Attendee 3 minutes)	Webinar Attendees	13:10
8	Closing Remarks	Webinar Host	13:40

* Shiraz Time/GMT+3:30