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 **Participants selected will be notified by February 16, 2019**

 **Registration for participation is open till February 18, 2019**

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“It’s not just the effect of technology on the environment, on religion, on the economic structure, on society, on politics, etc. It’s that everything now exist in technology to the point where technology is the new and comprehensive host of nature of life”.

-Godfrey Reggio

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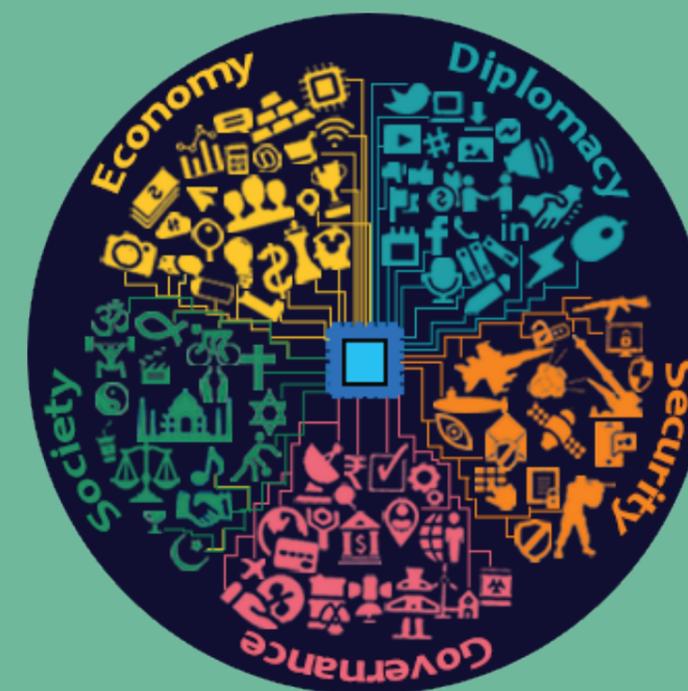
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THE COLLEGE

Stella Maris College is a Catholic minority institution of higher education for women, founded on August 15, 1947. It is affiliated to the University of Madras. Stella Maris became autonomous in 1987 and it has 19 undergraduate, 12 postgraduate, M.Phil and Ph.D programmes.

THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of International Studies was established in 2002, as a pioneering step in this branch of study and it is the only department under the University of Madras offering a Masters Degree programme in this discipline. It is the first of its kind to educate young women in the field of international affairs and equip them with the knowledge and skills to excel in their field.

KRIYA 2019

Kriya 2019 themed '**Contemporary Technology and International Relations: Prospects, Priorities & Paradigms**' aims to explore the impact of technology on International Relations. Kriya 2019 also hopes that through a constructive dialogue one may develop a greater understanding of these changing dynamics that produce unique challenges and opportunities.

INTRODUCTION

Technological advancements in the 21st century have greatly changed the way people interact with each other. These advancements have greatly influenced International Relations and have drastically changed the nature of Inter State interactions and diplomacy. The inclusion of technology as an important variable in the discourse of International Relations is indicative of the dynamic nature of the field.

The impact of Science and Technology on International Relations, politics, society and governance have led to newly emerging paradigms that are intricate and multidimensional and therefore merit scholarly analysis.

OBJECTIVES

- To understand the impact of technology on the hitherto exclusively theoretical field of International Relations.
- To identify areas of opportunities and challenges.
- To assess the role of State and its institutions in this new dynamic.
- To challenge the perception that the fields of scientific advancement and International Relations are mutually exclusive.

PAPER PRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION

Students from any academic background are encouraged to participate in this seminar. Those students interested in presenting papers in the seminar must email the abstract to kriya19stella@gmail.com by February 14, 2019.

The abstract of the presentation should not exceed 300 words and must be sent as an MS word document - Times New Roman font, 12 pt and 1.5 line spacing. The abstract should contain the title of the paper, the author's name, email address, College / Institution name and mobile number. Participants whose papers are selected will be notified by February 16, 2019.

Students interested in attending the seminar as participants can register by e-mailing their name, college, department number and phone number to kriya19reg@gmail.com by February 18, 2019.

Participants will present papers on the topic under the framework of any one of the following sessions:

Session I: TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY

This session aims at identifying the nature and type of security challenges that arise due to technological advancements in various fields such as outer space and satellites, military, nuclear and smart weapons systems.

Session II: TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY

Technology has altered the nature of social interactions and has made a profound impact on ideas, awareness, ethics, values, human relationships and behaviour which needs a thorough and timely analysis.

Session III: TECHNOLOGY AND DIPLOMACY

With the rise of social media and the easy accessibility of information, the domain of diplomacy is no longer restricted to boardrooms and conference halls. Technology has elevated the practice of diplomacy to newer heights and provided scope for projection of Soft Power.

Session IV: TECHNOLOGY AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION

The field of economics and economic policy making is experiencing major changes due to the advancements of Artificial Intelligence. The use of technological innovations as a part of the IV Industrial Revolution may lead to changes in the labour market.

Session V: TECHNOLOGY AND GOVERNANCE

Structures of governance and State institutions need to progress and adapt to the change that technology brings along. In this context, technology spans a range of areas such as process digitisation, e-governance, Internet of things, analytics and mobility first focus.