

## **APIIT in collaboration with the University of Colombo opens new frontiers for research**

Under the purview of the APIIT Lab Pillar, the Research Hub of the APIIT Law School, in collaboration with the Legal Research Unit of the Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, has initiated its first edition of the “Research Week 2023” with the theme “Connecting Academics, Students and Society: Towards New Research Frontiers”.

Quality research plays a crucial role in the international ranking of universities and this endeavor was an opportunity for the two universities to foster a research culture among the undergraduate and postgraduate students, and early career academics of the two institutions.

The event was held at APIIT Law School premises from 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2023. The Inauguration was graced by Justice Dr. Ruwan Fernando, Prof. Sampath Punchihewa, Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, Mr. Bandula Egodage, Chairman of APIIT Sri Lanka, Dr. Chathura Warnasuriya, Head of APIIT Law School. The first day concluded with a panel discussion where meaningful insights were provided on the importance of engaging in rigorous research and its prospects and challenges, by the scholars - Prof. Rose Wijesekara, Prof. Wasantha Seneviratne, Prof. Naazima Kamardeen from University of Colombo and Dr. Chathura Warnasuriya, Head of APIIT Law School.

The technical sessions were held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2023 with fifty participants, inspiring a generation to explore,innovate and discover new knowledge in emerging areas.

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