

Symposium

In this issue's Symposium section too, we take forward *UCR*'s commitment to advance multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary interests in research. This year's first issue carries the three keynote speeches delivered at the Annual Research Symposium (ARS) 2023 of the University of Colombo. In keeping with the theme of last year's ARS, "Research Excellence and Beyond", the speakers discussed how interdisciplinarity enhances research in economics, health, and Artificial Intelligence.¹ We hope that the ideas presented in these keynotes will encourage research that crosses disciplinary boundaries and stimulate critical engagement. We look forward to publishing such research in *UCR*.

¹ All three keynotes speeches are available on the FOS Media YouTube channel, titled "Annual Research Symposium 2023 - University of Colombo"