



ICFIF 2026 FRONTIERS OF INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Infrastructure is the **engine of development**. ICFIF 2026 brings together global stakeholders from academia, industry, government and policy to exchange knowledge and build a roadmap for infrastructure creation and financing in the developing world — focusing on transportation, power, water, and emerging sectors.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- 9** THEMATIC SECTIONS
- 2** BEST PAPER AWARDS
- 3** DAYS OF EXCHANGE
- ★** ECONLIT PUBLICATION

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Academics
- Researchers
- Engineers
- Economists
- Financial Analysts
- Statisticians
- Industry Professionals
- Policymakers
- Young Researchers
- Corporate Analysts
- Consultants
- Media

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INTRODUCTION

Sustainable economic growth requires infrastructure — the very **wheel and engine of development**. In most developing nations including India, infrastructure demand far outpaces supply. The main barrier is the **non-availability of infrastructure finance**. Within this context, private sector investment through **privatisation and PPP schemes** is critical. ICFIF 2026 is the platform where this challenge is tackled collectively by global experts.

IMPORTANT DATES **KEY DEADLINES**

PAPER SUBMISSION Aug 30 2026 Full paper - IEEE format	ACCEPTANCE NOTICE Sep 15 2026 All authors notified	REGISTRATION DEADLINE Sep 30 2026 Required for publication
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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Format:** IEEE • MS Word 2003+ • **Times New Roman 12pt** • Double-spaced • Single side
- Length:** Maximum **5,000 words** including tables & figures
- Abstract:** Not more than **200 words** • Title page with full author details
- Submit to:** icfif2026@vgsom.iitkgp.ac.in / rudrap@vgsom.iitkgp.ac.in
- Publication:** **EconLit-indexed journal** or edited volume by reputed publisher
- Copyright:** Declaration required upon acceptance - Invitation letters for VISA/grants on request

BEST PAPER AWARD **WIN CASH BACK**

Two Best Paper Awards — Full Registration Fee Refunded
All submitted papers are automatically considered for **TWO Best Paper Awards**. Winners receive citations at the closing ceremony and a **complete refund of registration fees**. Papers judged by an international panel of experts.

REVIEW CRITERIA

RELEVANCE Appeals to conference attendees' interests	METHODOLOGY Uses appropriate research methods	ORIGINALITY Adds new findings & insights to literature
RESEARCH Compares with existing body of work	CONCLUSIONS Sound, justified, well-argued	POLICY IMPACT Relevant managerial & policy implications

BROAD THEMATIC SECTIONS (A-I)

- A FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE**
Capital Markets | PPP Model | Financial Modelling | Islamic Finance | Derivatives | Financial Inclusion | Options & Futures | SWAPS | Taxation & Subsidy
- B SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE**
Water Sector Finance | Housing Finance | Education & Health | Social Capital | Social Media | PDS & Others
- C TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE**
Aviation Sector | Roads & Railways | Inland Waterways & Ports | Telecommunication | Satellite & Internet
- D ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**
Power Generation | Power Distribution | Coal, Oil & Gas | Power Equipment | Regulation | Renewable Energy
- E INTERNATIONAL FINANCE**
FDI & FII | Global Financial Crisis | Portfolio Management | M&A Valuation | IPO Valuation | Credit Assessment | Applied Econometrics | Special Purpose Vehicle
- F STRATEGY FOR INFRA FINANCE**
Public Private Partnerships | Project Financing | Debt & Equity | Credit Enhancement | Budgetary Financing | Third Party Financing | Customer & Contractor Financing
- G PROJECT FINANCE**
Islamic Project Finance | Risk Management | SPV | Cost Recovery | Market Microstructure | Resource Allocation | Corporate Governance | Risk Hedging
- H MICRO FINANCE**
Urban MFI | SHG Bank Linkage | Micro Insurance | Financial Literacy | Technology in Microfinance | Social Performance | Investment Opportunities
- I INFRA POLICY & OTHER ISSUES**
Public Policy | Urbanisation | Good Governance | Climate Change | SEZs | Legal Issues | Human Development | Socio-Economic Policies | Industrial Policies

CALL FOR PAPERS — OPTIONS AVAILABLE

- Full Paper
- Extended Abstract
- Case Study
- Poster Presentation

Research papers, case studies, and ideas focusing on any stated theme are invited. All papers assessed by a panel of experts. At least one author must register and attend. Certificate issued to all participants from Office of Dean (CE), IIT Kharagpur.



REGISTRATION FEE **NON-REFUNDABLE**

CATEGORY	NATIONAL (₹ + 18% GST)	INTL. (USD)
Corporate / Industry	₹ 10,000	\$ 600
Academicians	₹ 6,000	\$ 300
Students	₹ 3,000	\$ 150

Includes: conference materials • refreshments • lunch & dinner on all conference days. Spouses entitled to all facilities except conference kit. International participants: airport transfer from Kolkata arranged. Payment via electronic fund transfer — details provided in due course.

CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

Single Room AC TGH - per person ₹ 2,000/night	Twin Sharing AC TGH - per person ₹ 1,200/night
Student Hostel Sharing basis ₹ 800/night	Student No-AC Sharing basis ₹ 400/night

Booking Deadline: September 30, 2026. Payment settled directly at guest house. No booking entertained after deadline. Invitation/acceptance letters available on request for grants or VISA.

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