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REPORT ON CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS WORKSHOP

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Date of Participation: 9th April, 2025

Event: Library Connect - Bridging Academia and Resources

Venue: Renaissance Hotel, Ahmedabad

Participants:

Dr. Mahesh Solanki (Librarian)

Summary:

Dr. Mahesh K. Solanki - Librarian, GTU Central Library attended the Cambridge University Press Workshop held at Ahmedabad on 9th April 2025. The workshop aimed to provide an in-depth understanding of the latest developments in academic publishing, digital resources and the evolving role of libraries in supporting academic research and publication.

Workshop Overview:

The Cambridge University Press Workshop offered a platform for librarians and academic professionals to engage with experts in the field of academic publishing. Key topics covered included:

- **Emerging Trends in Academic Publishing:** The workshop highlighted the shift towards open access, digital publishing, and the increasing importance of research data management.
- **Library Resources and Digital Tools:** Participants were introduced to new digital tools and platforms that can help enhance library services, improve access to research materials, and support scholarly communication.
- **Role of Libraries in Research Dissemination:** The workshop emphasized how libraries can actively contribute to improving access to scholarly works through collaboration with publishers, ensuring quality control, and managing subscriptions and licensing agreements.
- **Maximizing Research Visibility:** Discussions on how GTU can increase the visibility of its research through the use of digital repositories, academic databases, and open-access journals.

Key Learnings and Insights:

1. **Digital Transformation:** The workshop emphasized the importance of embracing digital tools for better library management, resource sharing, and research dissemination. The attendees learned about the latest platforms for accessing and distributing academic publications.
2. **Collaboration with Publishers:** we know that about further explore collaborations with academic publishers like Cambridge University Press to provide more comprehensive access to research content for faculty and students.
3. **Enhanced Research Impact:** Attendees learned how to improve the visibility of research conducted at GTU through open-access platforms, citations, and collaborations with global academic networks.
4. **Updated Publishing Policies:** The workshop provided insights into the changing landscape of academic publishing, including trends toward open-access publishing, which can positively impact GTU's research visibility.

Glimpse of the EBSCO Day



Conclusion:

The workshop provided valuable insights that can be directly applied to the Content efficiency regarding operations. Dr. Mahesh K. Solanki will implement these strategies to improve the library's digital resource management and increase the accessibility of research output. The knowledge gained will also help streamline library services, foster better collaboration with publishers, and ensure that any academic community benefits from the latest advancements in academic publishing and research visibility.