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## Bridging Minds: International Academic and Research Collaboration workshop in Computing and Machine Intelligence





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 King Faisal University (KFU), Al-Ahsa, Saudi Arabia

 A Special Feature of ICMI'2026

King Faisal University is pleased to welcome researchers and faculty members from around the world to engage in meaningful academic and research collaboration. As part of the International Collaboration Workshop held alongside the ICMI'2026 Conference, we invite you to submit proposals that foster innovation, joint research, faculty exchange, or collaborative academic initiatives. This workshop aims to strengthen global partnerships and build long-term cooperation in computing and related fields. Proposals can be sent directly to Dr. Munam Ali Shah ([mashah@kfu.edu.sa](mailto:mashah@kfu.edu.sa)). We look forward to building impactful collaborations together.

### Workshop Highlights

-  Forge international research networks
-  Explore collaboration in AI, computing & interdisciplinary fields
-  Develop joint projects, dual degrees & exchange programs
-  Support inclusive, cross-border academic partnerships
-  Align with Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 for global innovation

## Featured Sessions

- ♦ Opening Remarks  
Welcome by KFU & ICMI'2026 leadership
- ♦ Keynote Address  
By a global expert in research strategy
- ♦ Expert Panels  
On sustainable collaboration, co-supervision, funding & more
- ♦ Interactive Roundtables  
Connect by interest: healthcare AI, smart agriculture, cybersecurity...
- ♦ Collaboration Matchmaking  
Pitch your research, meet partners, spark MoUs
- ♦ Outcome Session  
Concrete next steps: proposals, online follow-ups, academic alliances

## Who Should Attend?

- - ICMI'2026 attendees
- - International university representatives
- - Research directors & graduate program leaders
- - Innovation office delegates
- - Government & funding agency observers (optional)

## Impact Goals

- ☀ Joint proposals & publications
- ☀ Academic exchange & mobility
- ☀ Shared research labs & infrastructure
- ☀ Elevate KFU's international presence
- ☀ Contribute to a knowledge-based economy

**Be part of a global academic future.**

**Let's build bridges, not silos.**

 **Together in Computing and Machine Intelligence**