The 16th International Conference on Communication Systems and Networks (COMSNETS 2024) Graduate Forum offers early-career graduate students a platform to present and showcase their research ideas along with preliminary results. Participants receive valuable feedback from senior researchers in academia and industry. The COMSNETS 2024 Graduate Forum presentations will be conducted in person. Senior researchers and mentors stress the importance of attending conferences aligned with students' research areas for career development. COMSNETS 2024, a renowned conference in communication systems and networking, organizes the Graduate Forum to provide students in research programs with detailed feedback, suggestions, and networking opportunities with senior researchers and peers. The Graduate Forum encourages active participation in the conference and staying abreast of cutting-edge research.

This year, the Graduate Forum adopted a three-page extended abstract format for review, facilitating comprehensive presentation, and pitching of ideas. Of the 31 registered papers, only 25 high-quality papers were accepted, covering diverse topics such as 5G, mobile sensing, network security, applied machine learning, and wireless communication. Each presentation includes a 5-minute lightning talk followed by a 2-minute Q&A session and feedback from judges and the audience. To recognize excellence, awards for "Innovation Excellence", "Smart Future Impact" and "Honorable Mention" will be given. The awards are dedicated to the memory of Himanshu Gandhi, an exemplary Ph.D student from IIT Delhi, known for knowledge, confidence, determination, hard work, and selfless service to the COMSNETS community. Accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings on IEEE Xplore digital library, unless authors opt out. Invited speakers for this year include Dr. Snigdha Das from
Ericsson Research, India, and Dr. Salil Kanhere from the University of New South Wales, Australia.

As Co-Chairs of the Graduate Forum 2024, gratitude is extended to the program committee, external reviewers, conference chairs, steering committee, and publications chairs for their valuable contributions. Co-hosting the Graduate Forum of COMSNETS 2024 was a rewarding experience.