

# International symposium on bilingualism and cognition

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Participants of the three-day international symposium on Bilingualism and Cognition? held at BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus, Zuarinagar-Vasco.

ment of communication impairments, cognitive control focus on language switching, psychology of language and communication with a focus on syntax and semantics and many more.

Prof Jubin Abutalebi, Cognitive Neurologist and Associate Professor of Neuropsychology at the University Vita Salute San Raffaele in Milan, Italy was the chief guest for the inaugu-

ration. Prof G Raghurama, director; Dr Veeky Baths, in-charge of the Cognitive Neuroscience Lab and associate professor at the Dept of Biological Sciences (BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus); and prof Ramesh Mishra, co-convenor and Dean, Centre for Neural and Cognitive Sciences (University of Hyderabad) addressed the gathering during the inaugural function.

As many as 12 keynote addresses were organised as part of the conference by the Indian and international research experts in the field of bilingualism and its effect on Neurophysiology and Cognition.

Dr Suvarna Alladi from NIMHANS, Bangalore spoke about how bilingualism could provide resilience against dementia. Prof Bhoomika Kar from the Centre for Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences at the University of Allahabad spoke about the temporal dynamics of proactive control in bilinguals in her keynote address.

Oral and poster presentations were also organised as part of the conference. Best poster and oral presentations were sponsored by the Journal Bilingualism: Language and Cognition (Cambridge University Press).