## **International Conference on Management and Economics-2013 (ICME-2013)**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Management and Economics was held on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February 2013 at the University of Ruhuna. The theme of the ICME-2013 was 'Managing Turbulence in Economic Environment through Innovative Management Practices'. The ICME-2013 was an excellent platform for researchers to share their knowledge and experiences with expertise.

A core element of the conference was to develop a network of researchers fed by Asian culture and roots in their diversity and their specificities to facilitate, promote and foster the research on both Management and Economics.

Sixty research papers were selected from 224 research papers received from different countries such as United Kingdom, Japan, Germany, Norway, Pakistan, Bangladesh, India, Iran, Kuwait and Sri Lanka. Seventy two authors and co-authors participated and presented their papers at the conference.

The inauguration ceremony was held with the participation of the Vice Chancellor, and the Deputy Vice Chancellor of the University of Ruhuna, as the Chief Guests and the Consul General of Indian High Commission at Hambantota as the Guest of Honor.

Keynote speeches were delivered by Professor Danture Wickramasinghe (UK), Professor Andreas Falkenberg (Norway), Professor Danny Atapattu (Sri Lanka), Professor Bjørn Willy Åmo (Norway) and Professor Yasushi Suzuki (Japan). All keynote speeches and the papers presented at the conference were published in the Conference Proceedings bearing ISBN: 978-955-1507-23-7.

The Faculty of Management and Finance organized the ICME-2013 to mark its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in collaboration with COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Sahiwal Campus, Islamic Republic of Pakistan; Chinese-German Institute for Intellectual Property, Huazhong University of Science & Technology, P.R. China, University of Nordland, Norway, University of Agder, Norway and StrategizeBlue, USA.

