Inaugural talk for the PRIME CAFÉ- PLUS

**Topic- The importance of communication and presentation skills for researchers**

**Vision-** It is very important that Masters and PhD students acquire high quality oral and written communication skills before they graduate. This is essential to effectively write manuscripts, grant applications and confidently defend their thesis. By honing these skills, one will easily improve his/her chance in gaining employment in industry as well as in academia. An important asset today is to have the ability to work in a collaborative environment. In this talk, the skills that student should equip themselves with will be discussed, so that they become proficient not only in their chosen research programs in an academic setting, but also get familiarized with real-world situations to be successful in their chosen career.

I am happy to announce that DAILAB has been making efforts to help students for building their presenting, communicating and networking skills. Several students have already been benefited by such efforts and have established in their professional paths at highly regarded and renowned institutions worldwide. We hope that this series of PRIME CAFÉ-PLUS that has connected 17 young PI researchers to serve as mentors will be a great platform for education and networking at different levels. I wish you all an enjoyable and successful program.