



A Global Vision Realised ✨

Horizon JHSSR's Expanding Network of International Academic Partnerships and the Journey Towards Global Scholarly Leadership

International Collaborations

In a remarkably short period, the Horizon Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences Research (Horizon JHSSR) has transformed from an emerging scholarly publication into an internationally respected academic partner, building a dynamic network of strategic collaborations with distinguished universities across Malaysia, India, and Vietnam. These partnerships represent far more than institutional agreements; they embody a shared vision of advancing knowledge through trust, mutual respect, innovation, and enduring academic cooperation.

The journey began with **Infrastructure University Kuala Lumpur (IUKL)** in August 2024, the first institution to place its confidence in Horizon JHSSR's vision of creating an internationally connected platform for scholarly communication. This pioneering collaboration established the foundation upon which the Journal's expanding global network would be built.

The momentum continued with **GlobalNxt University**, whose commitment to innovation and digitally enabled education reinforced Horizon JHSSR's aspiration to connect scholarship with the evolving landscape of higher education. The subsequent partnerships with **Punjab Agricultural University**, **UNITAR University College**, and **UNITAR International University** further strengthened the Journal's role within Malaysia and the wider Asian academic community,

creating new opportunities for collaborative research, scholarly publishing, faculty engagement, and research capacity building.

In July 2026, Horizon JHSSR entered a particularly significant phase of international growth through the signing of landmark Memoranda of Understanding with **Chaudhary Devi Lal University** and the **Centurion University of Technology and Management** in India. These collaborations demonstrated the confidence placed in Horizon JHSSR by leading public universities and highlighted the Journal's increasing contribution to international research cooperation, ethical scholarly publishing, interdisciplinary innovation, and responsible engagement with emerging technologies, including Artificial Intelligence.

The forthcoming partnership with the **University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Viet Nam National University, Ho Chi Minh City**, marks the next important chapter in this journey. It extends Horizon JHSSR's vision into Southeast Asia through one of Vietnam's most distinguished centres of scholarship, reinforcing the Journal's commitment to fostering intercultural understanding, regional academic integration, and collaborative research that transcends geographical and disciplinary boundaries.

Collectively, these strategic alliances illustrate a broader transformation. Horizon JHSSR has evolved beyond its traditional role as a scholarly journal to become a trusted international partner supporting universities in research dissemination, editorial collaboration, academic publishing, professional development, scholarly communication, and institutional capacity building. By working alongside leading universities, the Journal contributes not only to the publication of research but also to the cultivation of academic communities that value integrity, innovation, inclusivity, and global engagement.

At the heart of every Memorandum of Understanding lies a simple yet profound principle: that knowledge achieves its greatest impact when it is shared across cultures, disciplines, and nations. Each partnership therefore serves as a bridge—connecting researchers, educators, students, and institutions in the collective pursuit of discovery, understanding, and societal progress.

The significance of these collaborations extends well beyond institutional recognition. They represent an emerging model of academic diplomacy in which universities and scholarly publishers work together to address contemporary challenges through interdisciplinary research, ethical scholarship, and international cooperation. In an increasingly interconnected world, such partnerships provide the foundations upon which future generations of researchers can build meaningful solutions to complex global issues.

As Horizon JHSSR continues to expand its international footprint, its commitment remains unwavering: to uphold the highest standards of scholarly publishing, champion responsible

research, encourage intellectual curiosity, and provide an inclusive platform where diverse perspectives contribute to the advancement of the humanities and social sciences.

The Journal's growing family of international partners is a testament to the confidence, goodwill, and shared aspirations of universities that recognise the value of collaboration in shaping the future of higher education. Together, these institutions are creating opportunities that extend beyond publications and conferences—they are nurturing enduring relationships that inspire innovation, strengthen academic communities, and enrich global scholarship.

The story of Horizon JHSSR's international partnerships is, therefore, not merely a record of signed agreements. It is the story of a collective commitment to excellence, the forging of lasting friendships across borders, and the creation of a vibrant global network dedicated to the advancement of knowledge for the benefit of humanity.

 **As Horizon JHSSR looks towards the future, its vision remains clear: to continue building bridges between institutions, empowering researchers across continents, and advancing a world where scholarship knows no boundaries, collaboration knows no borders, and knowledge becomes a universal force for progress, peace, and sustainable human development. ☀️**