

Institute of Law, Nirma University

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

ON

LAW & GOVERNANCE

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

12th - 13th April, 2025

Mode of Conference: Virtual/Online

ABOUT INSTITUTE OF LAW

Founded on the vision of Dr. Karsanbhai K. Patel, the Institute of Law, Nirma University (ILNU), established in 2007, focuses on bringing a paradigm shift in the delivery of legal education in the country. ILNU aims at adding newer dimensions to legal education that incorporate international standards and provide an environment for innovation and dynamic scholarship, embodying the principles of justice education, excellence, and professionalism, ILNU is a globally recognized institute of academic excellence and has been ranked among the top law schools in India. Further, it was awarded the highest grade i.e., A+ by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). ILNU has professional and academic arrangements internationally with several Universities, Institutes as well and Professionals. The motto of ILNU explains how to lead a life away from ignorance, towards knowledge - as the only remedy from darkness is light, and the only remedy from ignorance is knowledge.

ABOUT STUDENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

With the objective of developing and promoting aptitude of research and encouraging research activities among all sections of students and to offer necessary help to researchers and scholars in conducting research pursuits of varied nature which include social, economic governance, trade and business, environmental and other areas of law and other disciplines connected to law, Student Research Council (SRC) has been constituted at the Institute level. It has been established to stimulate the trend of academic research among the students of the Institute and to provide an effective mechanism for research and development in ILNU through events, mentorship programmes. and other initiatives. The Council also serves as the channel for sending out participation to Paper Presentation Conferences and academic writing competitions.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The International Conference on Law and Governance, to be held on 12th and 13th April, 2025, at the Institute of Law, Nirma University, seeks to delve deep into the various amalgamations and intersections of law with dimensions such as society, environment, and technology. The conference also intends to showcase light upon the interplay between these fields and the nuances of the same, keeping in mind contemporary legal issues spread throughout the world. With themes that range from the dynamic realm of trade, economics, and corporate law to global environmental governance to technology in a globalized world to the area of constitutional checks and balances, the conference aims to address prevalent and emerging issues in these fields in the modern world. All of these themes have an underlying inter-connectedness which helps paint a holistic picture of law and governance and how the two are inherently intertwined.

This conference serves as a medium and platform for in-depth discussions and knowledge exchange regarding these topics over a period of two days. The conference will feature a combination of keynote speeches, panel discussions, and paper presentations which will aim to facilitate not only sharing of knowledge but also the creation of an academic atmosphere. The presence of various dignitaries who are experts in their field will further enrich this event and the various stakeholders will get to immerse themselves in an environment of learning and scholastic activities.

Apart from the above activities, parallel workshops in important spheres of law will also be conducted which will be faculty and student led initiatives, granting more and more opportunities for valuable academic interaction to the participants. Certificates for being a part of the same shall be granted as well to the participants. All interested stakeholders are invited to take a part in the same and enrich the conference with their research and ideas which ultimately form the bedrock of this conference.

CONFERENCE THEMES

GLOBAL DYNAMICS IN THE REALM OF TRADE, ECONOMICS, AND CORPORATE LAW

The theme "Global Dynamics in the realm of Trade, Economics, and Corporate Law" explores the intricate interactions shaping the modern global economy. This theme encapsulates the discussion revolving around trade agreements and their impact on global markets, economic policies' implications on stability and growth, corporate strategies for navigating global markets, and legal frameworks. It governs cross-border transactions in context with competition laws, corporate governance standards, and emerging economic models providing a comprehensive framework for discussing the multifaceted aspects of global dynamics in trade, economics, and corporate law. This further fosters interdisciplinary dialogue facilitating a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the modern global economy.

SUB-THEMES

- Global Supply Chain Resilience and Risk Management
- Cross-Border Dispute Resolution and International Law
- Intellectual Property Rights and Innovation
- Developments in Global Securities Laws and Capital Markets Regime
- Trade Liberalization and Protectionism
- Financial Regulation and Banking Reforms
- Trade Disputes and Global Market Conflicts
- Economic Development Strategies in Emerging Markets
- Anti-Trust Law and Digital Economy
- Corporate Law Dynamics in CSR, M&A and Insolvency

CONFERENCE THEMES

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE AND STAKEHOLDERS' ENGAGEMENT

The theme "Global Environmental Governance and Stakeholders' Engagement" focuses on addressing pressing environmental challenges through effective governance mechanisms and active engagement of stakeholders. It encompasses various aspects of environmental management, policy formulation, and collaborative approaches to sustainable development ranging from Corporate Environmental Responsibility, climate change mitigation, environmental regulations, equitable energy access to collaborative actions to protect the environment.

SUB-THEMES

- Environmental Justice and Equity
- Green Finance and Sustainable Investments
- Technological Innovations for Environmental Governance
- Circular Economy and Resource Efficiency
- Science-Policy Interface and Knowledge Exchange
- Environmental Legal Frameworks Analysis
- Industry Impact Assessment: Environmental & Social
- Assessing Climate Justice: Impacts on Vulnerable Communities

CONFERENCE THEMES

TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA AND IPR: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

The theme "Technology and Law: Issues and Challenges" explores the intersection of technology and legal frameworks, addressing the complexities and implications arising from rapid technological advancements. In an era characterized by digital transformation and innovation, this theme delves into various dimensions where technology intersects with legal systems, including privacy rights, cybersecurity, intellectual property, artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, and digital governance. This theme encompasses emerging issues such as data protection, algorithmic bias, online surveillance, and the regulation of emerging technologies critically analyzing these challenges while propose legal strategies, policy recommendations, and regulatory frameworks to address the evolving landscape of technology and law, ensuring a balance between innovation, accountability, and societal well-being.

SUB-THEMES

- Digital Governance and Policy Development
- Ethical and Legal Implications of Artificial Intelligence
- Developments in Media and Entertainment Laws
- Legal Challenges in Cloud Computing
- Legal Implications of Biometric Data Usage
- Internet of Things (IoT) and Legal Considerations
- Artificial Intelligence Governance: Ensuring Accountability
- Cybersecurity Law and Cyber Threats Across Borders
- Patent Law and IPR Dynamics
- Technology Deployment Impacts on Telecom Regulation

CONFERENCE THEMES

CONSTITUTIONAL CHECKS AND BALANCES: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

The theme of "Constitutional Checks and Balances: Issues and Challenges" explores the foundational principles of democratic governance and the mechanisms designed to ensure the separation of powers and prevent abuse of authority within constitutional frameworks delving into the complexities of maintaining equilibrium among the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government, as well as the role of independent institutions, such as electoral commissions and ombudsman offices, in upholding constitutional principles. The key topics include the effectiveness of checks and balances in preserving democratic norms, challenges posed by executive overreach or legislative dominance, judicial activism versus judicial restraint, and the impact of emerging issues such as digital governance and global interdependence on traditional systems of checks and balances.

SUB-THEMES

- Constitutional Interpretation
- Federalism and State Autonomy
- Public Trust in Government Institutions
- Checks and Balances in the Digital Age
- Constitutional Checks & Judicial Review
- Addressing Gender Bias in Law: Constitutional Review
- Judicial Role in Constitutional Interpretation: Activism vs. Restraint
- Executive-Legislative Constitutional Boundaries Assessment

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Only original, unpublished work on the conference is requested. Submissions that include essentially the same work that has previously been published or is under reviewed for publication at another conference or journal will not be accepted.
- An Abstract of not more than 400 words accompanied by 5-6 keywords has to be submitted by **20th March, 2025**.
- The abstract submission must include a title/cover page.
- The final paper shall be in the range of 4,000 - 7,000 words, exclusive of abstract and footnotes.
- All submissions should strictly follow the given formatting style: Heading Times New Roman 14 point; Text Font – Times New Roman 12 point; Margin– 1 inch all sides; Line spacing – 1.5 lines, single column.
- Co-authorship is restricted to **two members** only.
- All submitted work must not have a similarity index above 10%.
- The Citation style shall be OSCOLA 4th edition.
- The decision of the screening committee regarding the selection of the paper for the Conference shall be final.
- Upon selection of the abstract, the participants shall register by paying the prescribed registration fee.
- The mode of payment of the registration fees shall be notified once the abstract is selected.
- The abstract submission must be made using the following form link: <https://forms.gle/njfkKk6B62CvtFDQA>. Submissions through any other medium shall not be considered for review.
- Any query related to the Conference can be addressed through src.il@nirmauni.ac.in.

IMPORTANT DATES

PARTICULARS	DATES
Abstract Submission Deadline	20.03.2025
Registration Fees Payment Deadline	31.03.2025
Paper Presentation Conference Dates	12.04.2025 - 13.04.2025
Full Paper Submission Date	30.04.2025

REGISTRATION FEES

PARTICIPATING CATEGORY	AMOUNT
Single Authorship (Student)	INR 1500/- each (General) INR 500/- (ILNU Students)
Co-Authorship* (Student)	INR 2500/- per team (General) INR 1000/- per team (ILNU Students)
Research Scholars & Academics	INR 2500/- each

*The co-authorship is limited to two authors

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