



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

on

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, LEGAL GOVERNANCE, AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: CONSTITUTIONAL, REGULATORY AND SECTORAL PERSPECTIVES (AILGS-2026)

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THE TIMES GROUP

A 186+ YEAR JOURNEY OF LEADERSHIP,
INNOVATION & GROWTH MARCHES ON!

1835-95

1838 The original precursor of The Times of India (TOI) is launched as The Bombay Times and Journal of Commerce.



1861 The paper acquires The Telegraph and Courier to form Bombay Times & Standard & is then renamed as The Times of India. A truly national platform is born.

1892 TJ Bennett partners with FM Coleman to form Bennett, Coleman & Co Ltd (BCCL).

1940-86

1946 Ramkrishna Dalmia buys BCCL & the paper passes from British to Indian hands.



1947 Launch of Hindi newspaper Navbharat Times & the Delhi edition of The Times of India

NBT
नवभारत टाइम्स

1952 Movie industry magazine Filmfare is launched.

FILMFARE

1954 First edition of the iconic Filmfare Awards, to honour artistic & technical excellence in the Hindi-language film industry. These became an institution with the upgradation and broadcast of not just the national Filmfare Awards, but also their regional variants.

1987

1955 Sahu Shanti Prasad Jain buys BCCL from his father-in-law Ramkrishna Dalmia.



1959 Femina, magazine for women, is launched.

FEMINA

1961 The Economic Times, No. 1 business newspaper in India, is launched.

THE ECONOMIC TIMES

1962 Marathi newspaper Maharashtra Times is launched.

महाराष्ट्र टाइम्स

1964 The first Miss India pageant is held. This became a pathbreaking platform for women's empowerment, especially when it was telecast across the country in later years.



In 1987, a brand new era began with **Vineet Jain** joining the BCCL Group, transforming it from a newspaper and magazine company into one of the largest media and education conglomerates, with leadership across **Print, Radio, Digital, TV, and Out of Home Media.**

1988-2004

1990 Times School of Marketing is launched. It, along with Times' Media School (which was set up earlier), emerges as a major source of talent for the media industry.

1991 BBC features The Times of India among the world's six great newspapers. BCCL ventures into TV programme production for Doordarshan under the brand Times TV.

1993 Vineet Jain launches India's first private FM radio entity under the brand name Times FM for FM radio programming on a single channel shared by many media companies.

1994 Vineet Jain conceives of and launches TOI's trailblazing entertainment and lifestyle supplements namely Bombay Times, Delhi Times, etc. They were the first of their kind by any newspaper in the world and became a template for others.

1996 Launch of economictimes.com - ET's news website and timesofindia.com - TOI's news website - the Group's first foray into the Internet, as conceived of by Vineet Jain, followed by Indiatimes.com a year later.

1998 In a major initiative for a media company, the group launched Times Music which currently owns ~45,000 musical tracks across genres.

1999 Vineet Jain incorporated Times Internet Limited - India's biggest digital media entity.

2001 Radio Mirchi - Nationwide private FM broadcasting company is launched by Vineet Jain.

2004 Group enters TV broadcasting with the launch of Zoom, a Bollywood & Lifestyle channel.

2004 JV with BBC to form magazine publishing company Worldwide Media. Subsequently, the Times Group bought BBC's share to make WWM a wholly-owned company.

2005-15

2005 Times OOH, the No.1 Out of Home advertising company in India, is established by Vineet Jain. The Times of India is acclaimed as world's No. 1 selling English daily broadsheet newspaper.

2006 Vineet Jain conceives of and launches leading property services entity Magicbricks.com. Launch of leading TV news channel Times Now.

2007 Launch of Junglee Music, a brand of Times Music dedicated to film music, with acquisition of music rights of Akshay Kumar starrer 'Welcome'.

2009 Launch of ET Now business news channel.

2010 Launch of English movie channels Movies Now & Remedy Now 3 years later.

2013 Vineet Jain conceives of and launches Times Pro, an award-winning EdTech initiative, for Indians who want to advance their careers; tie-ups with IITs/IIMs for executive education courses.

2014 Vineet Jain expands Times Group into film production and distribution with the launch of Junglee Pictures, whose first movie (Dil Dhadakne Do) was released in 2015. It has released 10 award-winning movies till 2024 including Talvar, Bareilly ki Barfi, Raazi, Badhaai Ho, Badhaai Do, Doctor G, etc.

2014 ET Panache, the lifestyle supplement of The Economic Times conceived of and launched by Vineet Jain.

2015 Inaugural edition of India's leading business summit - ET Now Global Business Summit (GBS); graced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi as Chief Guest & in subsequent years.

2016



BENNETT UNIVERSITY

THE TIMES GROUP

A PEERLESS LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP & INNOVATION IS LAUNCHED - With the vision to nurture and empower the youth, Vineet Jain launches Bennett University - in the multi-disciplines of **Engineering, Applied Sciences, Management, Law, Media and Liberal Arts.**

2017-24

2017 Radio Mirchi expands to a total 74 stations in 64 cities and becomes the No. 1 radio company in India by revenue and number of stations. Extension of English news channel space through the launch of Mirror Now & Times Now World.

2021 Launch of Hindi general news channel (Times Now Navbharat) and Hindi business news channel (ET Now Swadesh).

2023 Times Music forges long term equity partnership with Primary Wave, USA-based music publishing company & home to legends like Bob Marley, James Brown, Whitney Houston, etc.

2023 Launch of Maverik Movies, a film production house focussing on South Indian languages. Mirchi expands its digital offering by acquiring Gaana.

2024 Entry into sports on global scale: Major presence in new age & fastest growing sport - Pickleball - with the launch of Pickleball World Rankings (PWR), the PWR World Series, PWR World Tour, PWR India Tour & League in partnership with Pickleball Asia.

ABOUT BENNETT UNIVERSITY

With a peerless legacy of over 186 years, the Times Group has been a pillar of trust, knowledge, and public service. Founded in 2016, Bennett University continues this proud tradition, shaping future leaders committed to excellence, integrity, and global impact.

Accredited with an A+ grade by NAAC and recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC), Association of Indian Universities (AIU), and the Bar Council of India (BCI), Bennett University upholds the highest educational standards. Its interdisciplinary curriculum fosters critical thinking, adaptability, and lifelong learning, empowering students to address global challenges.

A true beacon of academic excellence, Bennett University stands dedicated to creating responsible global citizens and thought leaders.

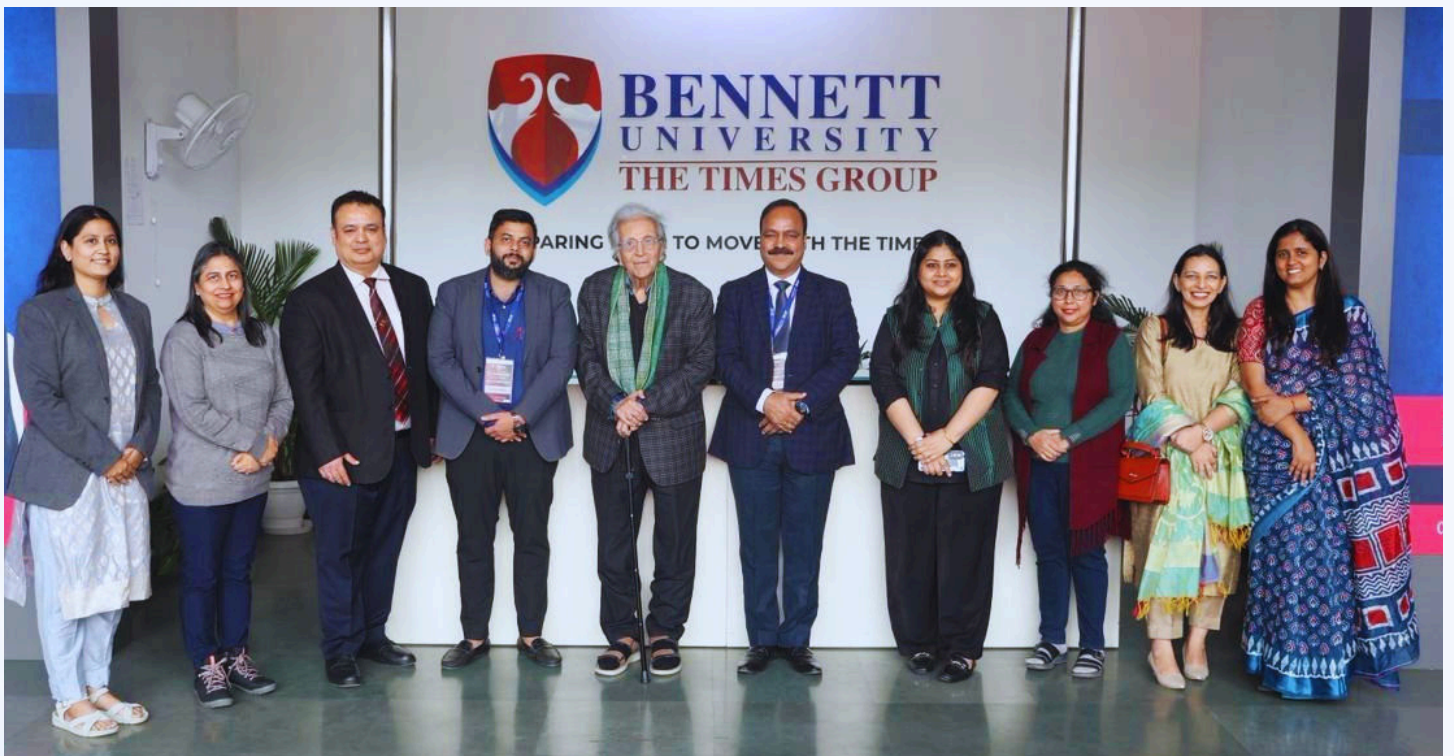
31150 Citations Scopus	16029 Citations Web of Science	2767+ Book Chapters	3636 Scopus Publications	1223 Web of Science Publications
121 High-End Teaching & Research Labs	110+ Books	75 H Index Scopus	55 H Index Web of Science	330 Active Ph.D. Research Scholars
46 Seed Grant Projects	64 Ph.D. Awarded	₹ 4.85 cr. Seed Grant Projects to BU Faculty Members	223 Patents Published/Granted	₹ 30+ cr. Research and consultancy



ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF LAW

Bennett University established the School of Law with a vision to strive for excellence in teaching, research, and advocacy towards justice for all by shaping thought leaders in public policy of national and international dimensions. The school at present is offering B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., and Ph.D. programs, imbibing the best practices in terms of curriculum, pedagogy, and innovation in teaching methods. Invested and promoted by the largest media enterprise, the School of Law is committed to educating the pioneers of the future through leaders in the field of law, the ones who can think out loud and clearly on the matter of justice and progress.

The School of Law is presently celebrating its decennial year, marking a decade of academic excellence and institutional growth.



ABOUT CENTRE FOR LAW, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

The Centre for Law, Technology and Innovation is a research centre established within the School of Law, Bennett University. It undertakes interdisciplinary research at the intersection of law and emerging technologies. The Centre seeks to promote critical inquiry, research and spread techno-legal awareness amongst members of the society. It aims to bridge the gaps between growing technology and governing legal provisions through various academic and student-oriented activities. Through conferences, publications, and awareness programmes, the Centre aspires to bridge the gap between theory and practice. The Centre aims to nurture future-ready legal professionals equipped with technological literacy and ethical sensitivity.

ABOUT THE INDIAN LAW INSTITUTE

Indian Law Institute (ILI) was founded in 1956 primarily with the objective of promoting and conducting legal research. The Institute is an autonomous body registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860. Hon'ble Chief Justice of India is the ex-officio President of the Institute. The Union Minister of Law & Justice is its Ex-officio Vice-President. The Attorney General for India, some Judges of the Supreme Courts and High Courts, Solicitor General of India, Chairman, Law Commission and University Grant Commission and other prominent lawyers and law professors etc. are the members of the Governing Council. The Indian Law Institute has been granted Deemed University Status in 2004 vide Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development.

ABOUT CASCA, RGNUL, PUNJAB

The Centre for Advanced Studies in Cyber Law and Artificial Intelligence (CASCA) at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala, Punjab, bridge the gap between technological advancements and legal frameworks, creating a comprehensive platform for scholars, practitioners, and students to engage with the pressing issues at the intersection of law and technology. The Centre's commitment to fostering interdisciplinary collaboration and promoting academic excellence positions it as a pivotal contributor to the development of effective regulatory policies that address the challenges of the digital era

ABOUT MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, MUMBAI

Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai, established under the Maharashtra National Law University Act 2014, on 20th March 2014, is one of the premier National Law Universities in India. The Act envisaged establishing National Law University in Maharashtra to impart advanced legal education and promote society-oriented research in legal studies for the advancement of the societal life of the people in the country. The prime goal of the University is to disseminate advanced legal knowledge and processes of law amongst the students and impart in them the skills of advocacy, legal services, law reforms and make them aware and capable to utilize these instruments for social transformation and development. In recent years University has taken long strides in areas of research and has established Research Centres to impart advanced legal education and promote society-oriented research in legal studies.

ABOUT THE JOURNAL: JANUS.NET



JANUS.NET, e-journal of International Relations is a peer-reviewed, open-access academic journal published biannually by OBSERVARE–Observatory of Foreign Relations at the Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa, Portugal. Established in 2010, the journal adheres to rigorous international standards of scholarly publishing, including double-blind peer review, and is indexed across major academic platforms. The journal adopts a holistic, interdisciplinary approach to International Relations, welcoming contributions from diverse fields such as law, political science, history, economics, sociology, and security studies. Its scope is intentionally broad, covering themes ranging from global conflicts and geopolitics to climate change, technology, human rights, and international governance.

A distinctive feature of JANUS.NET is its bilingual publication model: articles are published in English and, where applicable, in the author’s original language (Portuguese, French, Spanish, or Italian), thereby enhancing accessibility and intellectual exchange across linguistic boundaries. The journal does not adhere to any single theoretical or ideological framework; instead, it promotes plurality of perspectives and encourages critical debate.

In addition to full-length research articles, JANUS.NET includes sections for “notes and reflections” and “critical reviews,” facilitating both rigorous academic inquiry and reflective scholarly engagement. Overall, the journal functions as an inclusive platform for the dissemination of diverse, high-quality research on international processes and global interactions.

Following rigorous scientific and methodological standards, the journal is widely indexed in leading international databases, including **Scopus, SCImago Journal and Country Rank (SJR), EBSCO, ERIH Plus, Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), Latindex, Dialnet, REDIB, Redalyc, and b-on, along with national accreditation by ANVUR.** The journal is identified by its e-ISSN: 1647-7251, ensuring its traceability and recognition within global academic publishing systems.



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

As artificial intelligence (AI) continues to transform governance, economies, and social interactions, it has become one of the defining forces of contemporary society. While AI offers immense opportunities for innovation, efficiency, and growth, it also raises significant concerns relating to privacy, accountability, bias, transparency, and human rights. The Conference on “Artificial Intelligence, Legal Governance, and Sustainable Development: Constitutional, Regulatory and Sectoral Perspectives” seeks to provide a platform for meaningful engagement with these emerging challenges and opportunities. It aims to examine how legal systems can respond to technological disruption while safeguarding constitutional values and democratic principles. Organised on the occasion of the 10th year celebration of our Law School, the conference reflects a decade-long commitment to academic excellence and socially relevant legal discourse. It also aligns with the broader national vision of Viksit Bharat, where innovation and development must progress together.

The conference intends to bring together academicians, scholars, legal professionals, policymakers, researchers, industry experts, and students for interdisciplinary dialogue on the future of AI governance. Discussions will focus on themes such as algorithmic accountability, data protection, cybersecurity, digital sovereignty, competition law, intellectual property, and liability frameworks. Particular attention will be given to the constitutional dimensions of AI, including equality, privacy, freedom of expression, and due process. The conference will also explore sectoral implications of AI in areas such as healthcare, education, agriculture, labour, finance, and criminal justice administration. By encouraging diverse perspectives, the event seeks to identify both the promises and risks associated with rapid technological adoption. It aims to foster balanced approaches that support innovation while ensuring fairness, inclusion, and regulatory certainty.

A special focus of the conference will be the role of AI in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and promoting inclusive growth. It will critically examine whether AI can reduce inequalities, improve public service delivery, strengthen environmental governance, and expand access to justice. At the same time, the conference will address concerns that unregulated AI may deepen digital divides, reinforce discrimination, and weaken institutional accountability. Through rigorous deliberations and scholarly exchange, the conference aspires to generate practical recommendations for policymakers and regulators. It also seeks to contribute to academic scholarship on emerging technologies and law. Ultimately, the conference envisions building a just, resilient, and future-ready society where technological progress remains guided by constitutional morality, human dignity, and sustainable development.

SUB-THEMES

1) Constitutional, Jurisprudential, and Ethical Foundations of AI Governance

- Conceptualising AI as a regulatory object
- Rule of law, proportionality, and due process in algorithmic decision-making
- Constitutional limits on automated governance and public power discretion
- Human dignity, autonomy, and technological mediation
- Ethical principles in AI deployment and accountability frameworks

2) Algorithmic Justice and Human Rights in the Digital Age

- Privacy, data protection, and informational self-determination
- Bias, discrimination, and algorithmic fairness
- Freedom of expression, association, and assembly in AI-mediated contexts
- Access to justice, AI-enabled adjudication, and rights-based remedies
- Equity, social inclusion, and non-discrimination in AI systems

3) Artificial Intelligence, International Relations, and Global Governance.

- Global and multilateral AI governance and the role of international organisations
- Geopolitics of AI, regulatory competition, and strategic autonomy
- International human rights, digital sovereignty, and cross-border data governance
- AI, sustainable development, and international cooperation
- Sovereignty and digital jurisdiction

4) AI in Knowledge, Innovation, and Development

- Algorithmic decision-making in education, research, and evaluation
- Academic integrity, surveillance, and student privacy
- Intellectual property, AI-generated works, and innovation policy
- Knowledge commons, trade secrets, and open innovation
- AI as a driver of economic development, labour governance, and inclusive growth

5) AI, Sustainability, and Sectoral Development

- AI in energy, environment, and climate governance
- Algorithmic support for sustainability, resource allocation, and green AI
- AI for achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Addressing global inequalities, digital colonialism, and development justice
- International cooperation, accountability, and capacity-building in AI deployment

6) AI in Governance

- AI in Public Administration and Governance
- Smart Cities and Urban Governance
- Policy Design and Welfare Delivery
- Policing, Surveillance and Law Enforcement



PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY



Post presentation of papers in the Conference, some selected papers will be curated for publication by the editorial board in JANUS.NET (Scopus Indexed Journal). **No charges of publication are claimed.**

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The conference invites participation from academicians, researchers, legal practitioners, policy makers, industry experts, and professionals working in the domains of law, technology, governance, and allied disciplines. Submissions are also welcome from doctoral candidates, postgraduate, and undergraduate students with a demonstrated interest in the themes of the conference.

PARTICIPATION FEES

Category	Fee for Indian Participants (Sole participation)	Fee for Indian Participants (Joint participation)	Fee for Foreign Participants (Sole participation)	Fee for Foreign Participants (Joint participation)
Professionals/ Academicians	INR 2000	INR 3500	USD 25	USD 40
Ph.D. Scholars	INR 1500	INR 2500	USD 20	USD 20
Undergraduate and Post Graduate Students	INR 1000	INR 1500	USD 10	USD 15
Joint Authorship of Academician with Ph.D. scholar	INR 3000		USD 30	
Joint Authorship of Academician with UG/PG Student	INR 2500		USD 25	

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Manuscript Length

- Submissions should be up to 6,000-9000 words, inclusive of references.
- Manuscripts exceeding 9,000 words will not be considered.

Formatting and Structure

- Manuscripts must be submitted in .doc format.
- Each submission must include:
 - An abstract (maximum 2,000 characters, including spaces)
 - Five keywords
 - Images (diagrams, maps, tables and graphs) must include a caption, be numbered consecutively and have a source reference; iconography and infographics are the responsibility of the author(s) and must comply with copyright and intellectual property requirements. All infographics must be sent in a separate file in an editable format.
- Footnotes should be:
 - Numbered consecutively throughout the manuscript
 - Presented without parentheses

Referencing Style

- Submissions must follow the APA 7th edition citation style.

Submission Details

- Authors are required to initially submit an abstract of **200-250 words**, clearly outlining the purpose, research methodology, objectives, and key findings. The abstract must include **five keywords**.
- Upon acceptance of the abstract, authors must submit the full paper.
- All submitted abstracts will be subject to an initial screening by the organising committee for relevance to the conference theme and basic academic quality. Full papers, upon submission, will undergo a peer review process in accordance with the standards and requirements of the publishing journal.
- Submissions will be evaluated on the basis of **originality, thematic relevance, conceptual clarity, methodological rigour, and contribution to existing scholarship**.
- The full paper must include the following details for all authors:
 - Name
 - Institutional affiliation
 - Designation
 - Email address
 - Mobile number
 - ORCID ID
- The similarity index must be **below 10%** (as assessed through Turnitin), and the submission should be free from unacknowledged AI-generated content.
- If any AI tool is used to improve the quality of the paper, its use must be properly disclosed, including the name of the tool.
- The **registration fee (non-refundable) shall be payable only after the acceptance of the abstract**.
- Participants are expected to arrange their own accommodation

Formatting Requirements

- Font: Times New Roman
- Font Size: 12 (main text), 14 (headings)
- Line Spacing: Single
- Headings: Bold
- Referencing Style: APA (7th edition)

REGISTRATION & ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Please scan the following QR Code OR Click on the link for Registration and Submission of your abstract



Google Form Link: <https://forms.gle/gJLi9dsXfAKRhrDH9>

KEY DATES

Event	Date
Abstract Submission	May 28, 2026
Acceptance of Abstract	By May 30, 2026
Camera Ready Submission	July 15, 2026
Final Submission (after review)	As per notification
Last Date of payment of registration fee	July 1, 2026 or as notified in the acceptance email
Date of Publication (some selected papers)	To be notified

BENNETT UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP



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