



INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY
RIGHTS

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

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ABOUT NLUJAA

The National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam (NLUJAA) has been established by the Government of Assam by way of enactment of the National Law School and Judicial Academy, Assam Act, 2009 (Assam Act No. XXV of 2009).

The word 'School' was replaced by the word 'University' by amending the National Law School and Judicial Academy, Assam (Amendment) Act, 2011. The Hon'ble Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court is the Chancellor of the University.

NLUJAA promotes and makes available modern legal education and research facilities to students and scholars drawn from across the country, including the North East, coming from different socio-economic, ethnic, religious, and cultural backgrounds.

CONCEPT NOTE

Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) is that field of law which seeks to reward and protect the creation of the intellectual labour and skill of individuals. With the ever-increasing needs of the society, there is a constant requirement of creative thinking to address the needs and wants of mankind.

Intellectual Property Rights was hence created with the objective of promoting creativity and to reward the creator with economic and moral achievements. But with the changing environment in industrial and economic sectors, the subject matter of IPR changed from protection of creativity to economic exploitation of the tangible property derived from the intangible idea.

India, whose constitution mandates a social welfare state, is most looked upon rising economy. Amongst the MNCs and the nations, there exists a legitimate expectation for the legal regime of India to be in concurrence with the legal regime accepted by the majority of the world in the field of IPR. In this conference, we would be trying to analyze the dilemma and the solutions taken by the Legislature, Executive, and the Judiciary to address the question of balancing the commercial interest and the social interest. The conference would also revisit the foundational objective of IPR where the purpose of grant of protection would be reconsidered.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Original and well researched- research papers, case studies, and survey reports are invited from the academics, practitioners, researchers, scientists, students, and other stakeholders working and interested in the field of IPR. Research papers shall be subject to the approval of Editorial Board for inclusion in the seminar proceedings. All research papers shall be subject to the scrutiny of anti-plagiarism software.

THEMES

- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Harmonization of IP & Anti-Trust laws
- Innovation Ecosystem & Intellectual Property
- IP Litigation & Growing Trends in India
- Plant Genetic Resources and Intellectual Property Rights with special emphasis on North East India

SUB-THEMES

- The legal theory of intellectual property rights ('IPRs')
- National IPR Policy
- Challenges in the extant IPR laws in India
- Data Privacy and IPRs
- Artificial Intelligence and IPRs
- Bio Piracy and IPRs
- Genetics and IPRs
- IPR vis-à-vis Traditional Knowledge
- Cloning and IPRs
- Evolution of Biotechnology and Patents
- Copyright Issues in Cyberspace
- Free Trade Agreement vis-à-vis Bio Drugs
- IPRs and the challenges of the industry
- Enforcement of IPRs

The list is suggestive and meritorious contributions on other sub-themes related to IPRs are also invited.

NATURE OF SUBMISSIONS

The “International Conference on Intellectual Property Rights” invites original, unsolicited, and unpublished articles from all academicians, authors, legal professionals from India and abroad, under the following categories

1. Long Articles- (6500 -8500 words, including footnotes)

This category is designed to comprehensively deal with and provide a sustained analysis of a particular legal topic. It must analyse the current position in the field, identify the lacunae therein, along with rendering constructive suggestions.

2. Short Articles- (3500–6000 words, including footnotes)

Papers in this category, must undertake a more comprehensive study of specific topics, providing a new perspective and critical insight into the subject.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. General Instructions

- o Long articles and short articles must be accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words.
- o Up to 2 co-authors are allowed.
- o All works must be original and unpublished, and not pending for review anywhere else.
- o Theme must be mentioned on the paper.
- o Submissions that exceed the word limit will not be accepted.

2. Format

- o The main body of the manuscript should be in Times New Roman font size 12, with 1.5 line spacing and footnotes in Times New Roman size 10, with 1.0 line spacing. All headings must have uniform formatting.
- o Text and footnotes should conform to The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (preferably 20th ed. 2015) (“The Bluebook”).
- o The first page of the manuscript should only contain the name of the paper followed by a 300-word abstract. The main body of the manuscript must begin from the second page onwards.

3. Submission through email

- o All submissions must be mailed in Word format (‘.doc’ or ‘.docx’) as an attachment to ***iprconference@nluassam.ac.in*** with the subject ‘Abstract submission for the IPR Conference & Final Submission for the IPR Conference’ for the abstract submission and final submission respectively.
- o The body of the email must mention the name of the author(s), contact number, academic year (if applicable), Name of the Institution.

HOW TO SUBMIT

All submissions are to be made via e-mail as word documents (preferably Microsoft Word 2007 or 2010). Authors can submit their manuscripts at ***iprconference@nluassam.ac.in***

IMPORTANT DATES

- Submission of Abstracts: 30th June, 2018.
- Acceptance of Abstracts: 5th July, 2018.
- Final submission: 31st July, 2018.
- Conference Date: 18th – 19th August 2018.

Authors who do not follow these guidelines may have their submission returned to them without being reviewed.

REGISTRATION FEE & AWARDS/PRIZES

Participants may register as paper presenters or as delegates.

Registration fee -:

1. Professional and Academicians: Rs.2000/-
2. Students and Research Scholars: Rs.1000/-
3. Students of NLUJA, Assam: Rs.500/-
4. Delegates: Rs.750/-

Co-authors must register individually.

The registration fee includes admission to all technical sessions, conference kit, materials, lunch and high tea during the designated breaks for the duration of the conference.

Every presenter shall get a Certificate of Presentation and Delegates will get a Certificate of Participation. The following shall be the reward scheme for the research work.

3 Best Research Presenters – Cash Prize of Rs. 2000/- for each.

Selected research papers shall be published in the University journal bearing an ISSN number subject to quality, plagiarism and editorial selection.

No TA/DA shall be provided by the university.

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