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National Conference on International Law in Times of Crisis

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Indian Society of International Law, New Delhi (ISIL)

and

VIT-AP School of Law, VIT-AP University

8-9 March 2024



Registration link:

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Last date for submission of abstracts: 12th February 2024

Concept Note

Currently, the international community is facing challenges from on going conflicts at Palestine and Israel, Russia and Ukraine. Where the conflicting parties have violated the all the normative rules of international humanitarian law during the war without due regard to the rules, moreover they justify their actions on ground. Further, the global community is perceiving an increase in cross-border data transfer and breaches orchestrated by state and non-state actors due to increasing growth of new and emerging technologies. They are both positively and adversely affecting the international community in several ways. Particularly the issues relating to weaponisation of AI, cross border data transfer may have led the friction among the states to localize or globalize the data and to provide regulatory framework. The data warfare or information war operations often not covered under conventional rules, however, they categorized as acts of espionage and subject to domestic regulations. As such the operations are used to achieve a variety of objectives, including, stealing sensitive information, spreading propaganda, and causing economic damage.

With regard to climate change, the COPs and UNFCCC are playing active role speeding up global climate action by seeking the state parties while advancing accountability and spurring more climate action, meaningfully addressing equity and climate justice, harnessing the momentum driven by business, cities, communities and citizens, expanding climate dialogues beyond the UNFCCC. In addition, renovation of international institutional system and its adjudicatory mechanism has been on the agenda for far too long. In the light of the above on going issues it is pertinent the ISIL and academic community must debate, discuss and create more tangible dialogues on it. In this context the ISIL and the VIT-AP School of Law are holding the two-day conference on international law during 8-9 March 2024 at the Campus of VIT-AP School of Law, near Vijayawada Andhra Pradesh.

Key Themes:

Climate Change and the Law- on going debates

Emerging Technologies and International Law

Contemporary Conflicts and IHL

Enforcement and Adjudication of International Law: Rise or Decline

ABOUT VIT-AP SCHOOL OF LAW (VSL)

Legal education plays a significant role in nation building. VIT AP School of Law, VIT University is a novel endeavour in the direction of providing quality legal education and equipping the young minds with knowledge of law. Pursuing legal studies at VIT-AP School of Law (VSL), one of India's leading academic institutions, is taking a path to innovative learning and skill development. VSL offers an impressive curriculum that ranges wide and is determined to prepare students towards a global legal profession and assures that the graduates are practice ready for today's world. VSL courses are blended with business leanings and prepare graduates for taking up leadership roles in business positions with a sound legal background. This is achieved by the strong and rigorous practice sessions that are provided to the student's right from the first semester. VIT-AP School of Law (VSL) established as part of VIT-AP University, near Vijayawada. VSL is established to impart quality legal education with a robust curriculum that prepares students for future legal challenges. The main objective is to promote global legal professionals with a passion for the ideals of social justice. VSL has impressive infrastructure with a wide range of facilities. Law Students can have an opportunity to work with and learn from engineering faculty while studying law particularly issues relating to Law and Technology, Cyber Security Law, Blockchain Technology, Machine learning, Artificial Intelligence, and Data protection. "With our moot court, legal aid clinics, human rights clinic, digital and data clinics, environmental clinics and intellectual property rights clinics, our students get an opportunity to work with experienced faculty and advocates in solving real-time legal problems and providing solutions as well.

ABOUT INDIAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

The Indian Society of International Law (the Society), a premier national institution for the promotion of international law, teaching and research was established in 1959, primarily due to the efforts of V. K. Krishna Menon and was inaugurated in the same year by the then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. The Society has on its rolls honorary members who are distinguished international jurists. Judge Radha Binod Pal, Dr. K. Krishna Rao, Judge Nagendra Singh and numerous other international lawyers of eminence have served the Society at one time or the other. In the year 1960, the Society started publishing Indian Journal of International Law, a quarterly journal, recognized and acknowledged worldwide. In 2001, the Society started publishing ISIL Year Book of International Humanitarian and Refugee Law focusing on the development of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) and Refugee Law. In addition to these two publications, the ISIL has started publication of a quarterly Newsletter.

The ISIL has also published and continue to publish several books and monographs on international law. The Indian Academy of International Law and Diplomacy (the Academy), the teaching wing of the Society, was founded in October 1964 to further the objective of dissemination of knowledge of International Law. It is a matter of pride for the Academy that its post-graduate diploma courses are not only rated highly in India but also throughout the world. The courses offered by the Academy cover a wide range of topics



The Academy offers Post-Graduate Diploma courses in International Law and Diplomacy, Law of International Institutions. Encouraged by the success of these courses, the Academy has introduced Post-Graduate Diploma courses in Human Rights and International Humanitarian and Refugee Laws and International Trade and Business Law from the year 1999. From the year 2010, the Academy also started Post-Graduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights Law and Post-Graduate Diploma in International Environmental Law. The Academy also offers six month certificate courses in Law of Air Transport and Aviation Liability and Private International Law. The Academy strives to impart knowledge on legal problems involving the interests of developing countries of Asia, Africa, Latin America and Oceania.

Important dates:

Last date for submission of abstracts: 12th February 2024

Date for result of selected abstracts: 19th February 2024

Last date of Registration for selected participants and attendees: 1st March 2024

Submission of Draft Papers by selected participants: 5th March 2024

Registration fees:

Students, Research Scholars- Rs 500; Academics and Professionals - Rs 1000

No Registration Fee for ISIL Life Member and Associate Members

Submission Guidelines:

Abstract Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts should not be more than 300 words.
- There can be a maximum of one co- author in one submission. Each author must register separately for the conference.

Draft Paper Submission Guidelines -

- The research paper must be original and unpublished work of the author(s).
- The font of the text should be Times New Roman, font size 12, line spacing 1.5, justified alignment (except the title and 'abstract' caption which should be centrally aligned). All pages shall be numbered. The footnotes must be typewritten in the font Times New Roman, font size 10, line spacing 1.0 and justified alignment. The word-limit of the draft paper inclusive of footnotes should be between 5000 - 7000 words.
- All entries should be submitted electronically in .doc or.docx format. All manuscripts must be accompanied by: A cover letter with the name(s) of author(s), designation, institution/affiliation, the title of the manuscript and contact information (correspondence address, email id, phone number.)
- After the conference, selected papers will be published. Authors will be informed well in advance about the same and the manuscript has to be prepared accordingly.
- Mode of Citation: All citations shall be placed in footnotes. OSCOLA standard style of citation may be followed.

Email Address- the abstracts and the draft Papers should be submitted to the following email address: vsl.events@vitap.ac.in

Registration Link- The registration fees should be paid using the following link:

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