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13TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH
CONFERENCE ON RULE OF LAW IN CONTEXT:
*JUST WORLD ORDER, DIGITAL LIFE, AI AND
EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES*

Date: 25th & 26th April 2025 Venue:
Symbiosis Law School, Pune
(Hybrid for International
Participants)



ABOUT SYMBIOSIS INTERNATIONAL (DEEMED UNIVERSITY)

Symbiosis International (Deemed University) is a multi-disciplinary university offering its students and faculty a vibrant learning ecosystem designed around its multi-cultural and innovative ethos. Symbiosis was established in 1971 by Prof. Dr. S. B. Mujumdar, Symbiosis is a 'home away from home' for International Students. The Institution is based on the principles of Vedic thought of "World as One Family." The University's Name fittingly captures the quintessence of the relationship with International students; a mutually beneficial bond between India and the International student community. Campuses of Symbiosis University, spread across 4 states and 6 cities in India and Dubai, are resplendent with the activities and students from more than 85 countries. All campuses epitomises the Symbiosis Vision of "Promoting International Understanding through Quality Education" and area bee- hive of International students from all across the globe being privy to Indian culture and hospitality. Symbiosis International (Deemed University) offers programmes across 8 faculties viz. Law, Management, Computer Studies, Medical and Health Sciences, Media and Communication, Humanities and Social Sciences, Engineering and Architecture and Design. SIU has 46 constituents, 11 research centers, 10 support Departments of Skills and Continuing Education. The University has been awarded Category-I status by UGC, and an 'A++' Grade by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). It has been ranked 31st in India by National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2024, and 10th by Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievement (ARIIA) 2021. The University has also been ranked 31st in QS World Ranking 2025 and 13th in Management Category and 5th in Law category under NIRF 2024. Symbiosis International (Deemed University) is committed towards generation of Knowledge innovations and its contribution towards the development of the Nation.



ABOUT SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, PUNE

Symbiosis Law School, Pune (SLS, Pune) stands for excellence in legal education and is nestled in the city of Pune. Symbiosis Law School, Pune piloted and enriched by the vision of Dr. S.B. Mujumdar, was established in 1977 under the illustrious banner of Symbiosis Society. SLS, Pune endeavors to secure all-round contribution for the betterment of the field of Law, to create world-class professionals, to produce committed academicians and law reformers, to train justice dispensers and invigorate community crusaders and, to create a strong watershed of new and upcoming expertise in law relating to business and corporate matters. Pune has been ranked 5th in 2024 by National Institution Ranking Framework (NIRF) by Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.

SLS, Pune has been ranked 1st by GHRDC and IIRF and 5th by NIRF in 2024. Since 2007, SLS, Pune has consistently been ranked top 10 amongst more than 1000 Law Schools in India by the India Today-Nielsen survey. This stature is attained through various programmes such as 5-year integrated BA. LL.B. (Hons.)/ BBA. LL.B. Hons., 3-year LL.B. and One-year LL.M with 9 specializations. SLS, Pune has an impressive track record on Internationalization comprising international project grants, collaborations with leading universities overseas, International Summer Schools, semester abroad to name a few. It is a recipient of the Jean Monnet (JM) Chair & JM Module. SLS, Pune has established SCALSAR which is the centre- stage for research, quality publications, government interface, host scholars in residence, undertakes interdisciplinary legal studies and research projects, training teachers and designing training modules.

ABOUT SCALSAR- FACULTY OF LAW



Faculty of Law, SIU has established Symbiosis Centre for Advanced Legal Studies and Research (SCALSAR). It is the centre-stage for research, quality publications, government interface, host scholars in residence, undertakes interdisciplinary legal studies and research projects, training teachers and designing training modules. It has 3 research clusters: Science Technology Innovation Law, Rule of Law in Context and Comparative Law. Every year SCALSAR organizes an International Research Conference which has become popular as SYMROLIC representing Rule of Law with Indian and Global perspectives, aligning it with the SIU's vision of an interdisciplinary conference and connecting to different fields such as that of Innovation, Science, Technology, Human Behaviour, Global Policy and Governance. The purpose of SCALSAR under the Faculty of Law SIU, Symbiosis Law School Pune is to centre-stage research, encourage quality publications, act as think-tank to government, host scholars in residence, undertake interdisciplinary legal studies and research projects, training teachers and designing training modules. SCALSAR contributes under three verticals viz. Science technology and Innovation Law, Rule of Law in Context and Comparative Law.

SLS Pune has showcased a strong research culture along with an internationalization agenda that has resulted in successful project applications under the Erasmus + program of the EU. SLS, Pune had the unique distinction of being the only Indian partner with the Erasmus Mundus Global Consortium of Law Schools since 2008. SLS, Pune has been the recipient of four Erasmus+ CBHE KA2 under EU projects namely EURASIA, 21 Teach Skills Training, Climate Change Policy and Law, and International Law and Forced Migration Studies. SLS Pune is also the proud recipient of the SPARC Project 'Legal and Ethical Framework for the use of Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare Sector with special reference to Patient Safety' to develop a legal and ethical framework for AI in healthcare. The project is funded by the Ministry of Education, Government of India. SLS Pune. SLS Pune is also engaged on a Joint DAAD-Project: funded by DAAD on the "Implementation of the SDGs – A Comparative Approach in India, Nepal and Germany." As of now, SLS Pune has received a total of 4,82,379 Euros as grant money for international projects and Rs 97,32,315 for national projects. SCALSAR has also a rich history of producing groundbreaking scholarly works on law and interdisciplinary areas. In 2024 SCALSAR published more than 98 research papers in SCOPUS and WoS indexed journals by the SLS Pune faculty members and some PG / Ph.D. students, taking the overall publications to 751.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Symbiosis Conference on “Rule of Law in Context Rule of Law: Just World Order, Digital Life, AI, and Emerging Technologies” (SYMROLIC-25) is an interdisciplinary conference on the repercussion of AI, Digital Life, and Emerging Technologies to the ideals of a just world order and the rule of law. SYMROLIC’s journey began as a national conference showcasing in-house research, building on research excellence within and as an avenue for developing new ideas as well as updating research ideas with skills in 2012. It grew into international participation by 2015. This has been drawing on Symbiosis International (Deemed University)’s new impetus to thrust areas, excellence centres and innovation. The conference will be held over two days and is specially designed to discuss and deliberate on various interdisciplinary areas and core issues and suggest a way forward to upholding the Rule of Law. SYMROLIC-25 continues our rich tradition of generating research-based ideas in our pursuit of academic excellence. A special feature of the conference will be the Plenary Session, which will focus on the repercussions of AI, Digital Life, and Emerging Technologies on the ideals of a just world order and the rule of law. Digital life and AI and emerging technologies refer to the increasingly interconnected world where our daily lives are influenced by artificial intelligence (AI) and other rapidly developing technologies, such as the Internet of Things (IoT), blockchain, augmented reality (AR), and machine learning, which are shaping how we interact with information, devices, and services around us. This year’s international conference is expected to generate 75-100 papers in different areas relating to the theme of the conference. In keeping with the goals of the Conference, the plenary session has been conceived as a meeting point for scholars and experts to discuss the issues and controversies surrounding AI and emerging technologies. The plenary is also expected to generate a robust intellectual corpus for channelling the benefits of AI and emerging technologies in our pursuit of a just world order. The Plenary Session will be addressed by eminent scholars like Prof (Dr.) Ketan Kotecha, Head, SCAAI, Prof (Dr.) Subhojit Basu, Leeds Univesrity. We are also expecting Prof (Dr.) Siobhan Mullally, University of Galway and Prof (Dr.) Patricia O Solluvan, University of California San Fransisco to address the gathering at the Plenary Session.

RULE OF LAW IN CONTEXT: JUST WORLD ORDER, DIGITAL LIFE, AI AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Rule of Law is a foundational principle of a democracy that establishes accountability and fairness of legal frameworks. It creates an assurance against arbitrary usage of power, and is a cornerstone of democracy. It promotes transparency and public assent to promulgating legal power, which is an indispensable characteristic, especially in the contemporary digital age. The focus of this theme is mainly within the context of technological advancements, with the advent of various innovations in the field. These emergences have created the requirements for more exhaustive and dynamic legal frameworks that accurately reflect the scope of the digital world. With more digitalisation, there have been more challenges that pre-existing legislations and policies cannot properly resolve and address due to insufficiency. The conference aims to explore and address the gap between the current legal framework and the ideal legal responses needed to regulate emerging technologies.

As technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, and Biotechnology continue to evolve, legal systems must adapt to govern them effectively. The various tracks of this conference will explore different aspects of this issue, both on a global and domestic scale. SYMROLIC aims to bring together faculty members, researchers, doctoral scholars, and students to engage in meaningful discussions on strengthening the Rule of Law in the digital age. Through insightful dialogue and analysis, the conference seeks to contribute to the ongoing development of legal frameworks that can effectively address the challenges posed by technological advancements. Eminent international scholars like Prof (Dr.) Martin Haug from University of Galway, Professor Martin Faix from Palacky University in Olomouc, Professor Ratna Kapoor from Queens Mary Univuer, Prof Subhajit Chatterjee from University of Leeds have agreed in principle to officiate the different tracks under the conference and also evaluate the papers submitted.

TRACKS

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LAW AND HUMAN BEHAVIOUR- NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

Privacy-preserving AI development, Fairness in AI systems, Data governance standards, Cross-border data flows, Ethical AI principles, Regulatory harmonisation.

2

BUSINESS, TRADE, COMMERCE, MANAGEMENT AND LAW

Blockchain technology, cryptocurrencies, and smart contracts, digital economy, AI-powered customer relationship management (CRM), Personalized marketing campaigns using AI, Fraud detection and risk management with AI, Supply chain optimization with AI, AI-driven pricing strategies, Ethical considerations of AI in commerce.

3

INTERNATIONAL LAW, POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

Human rights protection, transparency and explainability, accountability, fairness, privacy, safety and security, ethical considerations, risk management, international cooperation, and the need for a balanced approach between innovation and regulation.

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LANGUAGE, CULTURE, AND JUSTICE (SPECIAL TRACK UNDER SYMBIOSIS CULTURE, LANGUAGE, LAW AND JUSTICE LAB)

Linguistic Rights and Minority Language Preservation, Language and Algorithmic Bias, Decolonisation of Language and Knowledge Systems, Language and Educational Equity, Linguistic Barriers and Access to Justice, Language and Gender Norms, Language and Rule of Law.

5

INNOVATION SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND LAW

Artificial Intelligence; data science, 21st century teach skills; cyber security; technology transfer; IoT; digital transformation of legal services; technology and access to justice; IPR; data privacy and protection; ethical implications of AI and Technology; bio-ethics; dark web.

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PUBLIC LAW, SOCIETY AND GOVERNANCE

Transparency, accountability, fairness, privacy, safety, ethical considerations, human-centric design, oversight mechanisms, regulatory compliance, risk management, stakeholder engagement, continuous monitoring, and international collaboration.

Aside, from the tracks and the plenary session, this year's conference will also have a workshop on the Internationalization of the legal curriculum. For this, we have invited Dr. Angela Farrell Assistant Dean International (ADI) in the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, at the University of Limerick of Limerick who has agreed in principle to conduct the workshop.

We welcome and encourage faculty members, researchers, doctoral scholars, and students from your institute to submit abstracts/research papers for participation in the conference.

The details of the conference, abstract, and paper submission (along with the important dates) are available on our website – www.symrolic.com.

All submissions (abstract/ paper) must be made to symrolic@symlaw.ac.in.

Venue: This year, we will be holding the International Conference via hybrid mode with the option for International participants to join online.

IMPORTANT DATES

<i>Last Date for Abstract Submission</i>	20th March 2025
<i>Communication of Acceptance of Abstract</i>	25th March 2025
<i>Last Date for Full Paper Submission</i>	10th April 2025
<i>Last Date for Payment of Registration Fees</i>	10th April 2025
<i>Dates of the Conference</i>	25th and 26th April 2025

The details of the conference and registration available on the official website of the conference www.symrolic.com

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstract should be divided into various headings as mentioned in List 1. However, the mentioned headings are merely indicative. Authors can choose any suitable headings of their choice. Other technical instructions for writing abstracts are given in List 2.

List 1: Indicative headings for writing abstract

- Introduction / Background: Introduce the subject area of your work along with existing research gaps
- Purpose: What is the aim/objective of the research paper?
- Design/ Methodology/ Approach/ Materials and Methods / Experimental: How are the objectives attained? Include main method(s) used for the research. What is the approach to the topic and what is the theoretical or subject scope of the paper?
- Results / Findings / Results and Discussion / Findings and Interpretation: What is the likely outcome of your research? Research Implications / Limitations (If applicable): What are the applications of the current research work to the society, business or any other entity, impact on economy, etc. Identify limitations in the research process, if any.
- Originality/Value (Mandatory): What is new in the paper? And whom will it benefit?
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List 2: Technical instructions for writing abstract

- Abstract Language: English
- Paper size: A4
- Length: 300 words excluding title of paper, author(s) name, affiliation and address and references
- Margins 1 inch (2.54 cm) on all four sides
- Title of paper 14 point, bold
- Authors name 12 point; Put asterisk (*) to corresponding author
- Affiliation & address 10 point (mention address clearly indicating place, pin code, state, country, email id and cell no.)
- Font of text matter: Times New Roman, 12 point
- Headings: All headings in 12 point, bold
- Line Spacing: Single (Give one line space between title of paper, author's name, address and text matter)
- Title page: Title, author(s), affiliation(s), contact details
- Keywords: 4- 5 in alphabetical order

FINAL PAPER SUBMISSION

GUIDELINES

- Deadline for submission of Full Papers: *10th April 2025 (Thursday 11:59 PM IST)*

Title of Paper – Times New Roman – 14-point font – Capital letter

- Level 1 Heading – Times New Roman, 12-point font, Bold

Level 2 Heading - Times New Roman, 12-point font, Italics

Level 3 Headings - Times New Roman, 12-point font

- Text of the paper - Times New Roman, 12-point font
- 1.5 line spacing & Text Justified
- Page numbers to be inserted. No paragraph indentation
- No identifying headers and footers. Double spacing between paragraphs

- Citation/ Reference Style - APA style
- One inch margin on all sides in all pages.
- Correct punctuation, spelling and grammar
- Maximum 20 pages (5000-8000 words including references) (A4 size).

While submitting the full paper, the participants must submit the report containing 'No Use of AI' and Plagiarism Report' (upto 10%).

- Co-authorship of up to two authors is permitted. However, each co-author has to individually register himself/herself for the Conference and at least one of the co-authors should be physically available to present the paper.

- *Select papers will be published in conference proceedings which will be Scopus indexed.*
- *Registration and Payment details will be communicated soon.*
- *For any queries or information, you may write to symrolic@symlaw.ac.in*

PAYMENT DETAILS

- *For National Delegates (Maximum two authors):*

Single author: Rs. 1180/-

Double authors: Rs. 1770/-

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