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"Transforming International Dispute  
Resolution Mechanisms During a  
Paradigm Shift in Geopolitics"  
(Hybrid Mode)

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The mission statement of the University is “to provide quality education for leadership”. The vision is “to become a world-class university devoted to bringing knowledge and technology to the service of mankind”. The University aspires to serve the nation by fulfilling the needs of the society through the motto of taking knowledge and skills “from the campus to the community.”

The University's broadly perceived signature features include autonomous administration, financial self-sustenance, regular maintenance of the academic calendar, sustained trust of the international academic community, optimum contact between faculties and students and student-friendly environment, among others. The University's graduates have substantive exposure to the industry and the community, research competence, technological literacy, moderate to high-level communicative competence, teamwork and leadership spirit and global compatibility.

In its Silver Jubilee Initiatives Vision 2030 it pledges for quality, innovation, equity, identity, impact and global engagement. These initiatives will remain instrumental towards achieving the status of a world-class university.

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## SCHOOL OF LAW, KATHMANDU UNIVERSITY

Kathmandu University School of Law (KUSOL) is the seventh School in the Kathmandu University System. It is based in Dhulikhel municipality of Kavre District. The University has trained confident, creative, and socially responsible professionals ever since it was established in 1991.

Kathmandu University School of Law, believe that law is an honorable and valuable profession worthy of the public trust. The goal is to prepare our students to be critical thinkers, problem solvers, and leaders, with the flexibility to respond to changes in the legal profession. To that end, we blend practical skills training with legal theory throughout the curriculum as we strive for excellence in both teaching and scholarship.

## CONCEPT NOTE

It is our pleasure to invite you to the first International Dispute Resolution Conference 2023 (“Conference”) to be held on February 10-11, 2023, at IMS Unison University, Dehradun. The two-day Conference on the theme 'Transforming International Dispute Resolution Mechanisms During a Paradigm Shift in Geopolitics' is jointly organized by the School of Law IMS Unison University, India and Kathmandu University, Nepal.

Conflict is a global reality, as well as a common experience for every human being, but the ways of addressing conflict vary from country to country, region to region, and even person to person. This event will provide participants a unique opportunity to explore and approach conflict resolution from a global mindset. Understanding conflict and the role it plays in various cultures is essential to solve the world's most pressing challenges.

Changes towards the de-territorialisation of sovereignty and the corresponding emergence of various global institutions, associated with globalisation, can offer new incentives and possibilities for the resolution of seemingly intractable ethno-national conflicts, by revisiting them in a transnational context. Global shift in power will give rise to different forms of conflicts and will demand advancement in the current dispute resolution regime.

On 20 December 2018, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the United Nations Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation (“Mediation Convention”). It creates fair and effective approach to resolve international/cross-border commercial disputes and particularly helps in efficiently enforcing the settlement agreements across the border. It opens enormous business opportunities for enterprises and dispute resolution professionals. The term 'paradigm shift in geopolitics' in the theme of the Conference aims to foster discussion on emerging trends in dispute resolution and the impact of the Mediation Convention on International Business Environment and World Politics.

During these two days, scholars, lawyers, and ADR practitioners will share views and experiences as to how their unique perspectives on mediation, negotiation, arbitration and other forms of dispute resolution mechanisms have the capacity to shape and transform conflict resolution across the globe.

The conference aims to foster discussion on emerging trends in dispute resolution and the impact of the “Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation” as approved by United Nations on International Business Environment.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Research papers are invited from research scholars, academicians, lawyers, jurists and students on the abovementioned theme. The following sub-themes are only illustrative in nature and may include any paper covering the major themes of the Conference. For the convenience of the participants and paper presenters the following sub themes have been proposed.

### SUBTHEMES

- Trend of using IDR to address Trading and Investment Disputes
- The Evolving World of Commercial Dispute Resolution
- Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation
- State to State Dispute Resolution
- Investor State Dispute Resolution
- Mediation a Smart Way to Resolve International IP Disputes
- International Arbitration in the Digital Era
- Challenges and Opportunities in Commercial Arbitration and Commercial Mediation
- Dispute resolution mechanisms and climate change/environmental issues
- Role of International Dispute Resolution for stakeholders such as judges, government officials, legal practitioners, business owners, academics, and NGOs.
- Dispute Resolution with internationally unrecognized Governments
- The Global Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Commercial Dispute Resolution
- Investor-State Dispute Settlement Cases Influencing Domestic Environmental Regulations
- Law Development by the International Criminal Court a way to Enhance the Protection of Minorities—the Case for Intersectional Consideration of Mass Atrocities
- Domestic Contestations against International Courts and Tribunals

- Quasi-judicial Bodies and the Establishment of Standards and Principles for Assessing Mental Harm Sustained by Civilians Exposed to Hostilities
- From Inter-State to Intra-State Conflict issues under International Dispute Resolution
- IDR methods shift from State-centric, power-based approaches to interest -based approaches that promote resolution between non-State actors
- The harmonization of procedural rules on the global level and its impact on national systems of civil litigation
- Non-Legal Adjudicators in National and International Disputes

**The above sub themes are not exhaustive, the author(s) may select any other relevant issue giving a comprehensive and indispensable review of developments in the area of International Dispute Resolution.**

## **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

### **ABSTRACT:**

- The abstract must be developed on A4-sheet in Word Document Format typed in Times New Roman in 12 font size with 1.5 line spacing in not more than 300 words. It should not contain more than Eight Keywords.
- The abstract should contain personal details of the author(s) in the order: Title of the paper, Name, Designation, Institute/ University/ College/Organization, Contact number, E-mail and address of correspondence of the author(s).
- Kindly indicate the name of the main author for correspondence in case of more than one author. All abstracts will be peer reviewed and evaluated on the basis of originality, research rigor, relevance to the conference, and contribution to the theory and practice.
- Acceptance of Abstract will be communicated via Email by 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### **SUBMISSIONS:**

- Submissions are to be made only in electronic form. The same may be e-mailed to [iuuconferencelaw22@iuu.ac](mailto:iuuconferencelaw22@iuu.ac) in MS Word format along with a covering letter addressed to Organizing Secretary.
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- Footnoting should be done strictly according to Bluebook 20th Edition, Times New Roman, Size 10, Line -Spacing 1
- Word limit of articles should be of 3000-5000 words (excluding references and footnotes).

### **RULES FOR PARTICIPATION**

- No abstract or full paper shall be accepted after the last date of submission.
- Registration is mandatory on confirmation of acceptance of abstract, with the payment of required fees to be deposited in the Bank Account (No registration fee for participants outside of India).
- Only registered participants will be allowed to take part in International Conference.
- No refund will be allowed once a participant/paper presenter is registered.
- All the registered participants will be provided participation certificate.
- The selected papers of each session will be acknowledged and published in form of an edited book.
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- Breakfast and lunch to the participants will be provided by the university.
- Up to two co-authors are allowed.
- No in-absentia presentations will be allowed. At least one author must present for presentation.

## IMPORTANT LAST DATES

<b>Abstract Submission</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>
<b>Date for confirmation of acceptance of Abstract</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>
<b>Last Date for Registration</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>
<b>Submission of full Paper</b>	<b>07<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>

The participants are requested to send their abstracts & papers to [iuuconferencelaw22@iuu.ac](mailto:iuuconferencelaw22@iuu.ac)

## REGISTRATION FEE

<b>Academicians / Organization Representatives</b>	<b>Rs. 1500</b>
<b>Research Scholars/ Students</b>	<b>Rs. 1000</b>

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