



CARTAL
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**Reconciling Tradition with Innovation:
Future Proofing the Dispute Resolution
Processes**

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About Us



National Law University, Jodhpur (“University”) is a leading institution in India, dedicated to fostering exceptional legal professional skills. The University has achieved excellence in traditional legal education while adopting an innovative, practical approach to emerging areas of law. It is highly regarded for its outstanding hospitality and management abilities, and is well-equipped with all the necessary facilities for hosting such events.

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Centre for Advanced Research & Training in Arbitration Law

CARTAL (“Centre for Advanced Research and Training in Arbitration Law”) is a research center at NLU Jodhpur dedicated to the study and advancement of arbitration law. It was established to promote academic and practical engagement with arbitration and has become a notable platform for research, workshops, and conferences in arbitration and dispute resolution.



The Indian Journal of Arbitration Law (“IJAL”) combines arbitration theory with practical insights, featuring contributions from professionals, scholars, and students. While “Indian” reflects its origin, the journal focuses on globally relevant topics and covers a broad range of contemporary arbitration issues. It has also released theme-specific issues to explore specific developments in depth.

Who Can Participate

Eligibility for the Paper Presentation

The Conference is open to Academicians, Practitioners, Professionals (such as In-house Counsels) Research Scholars, and Students of Law pursuing their Five-Year LL.B. (Hons.)/Three Year LL.B./LL.M. from any recognized university.

Themes

Individuals desiring to participate in the Conference are encouraged to bring a diverse perspective to the subject matter, while also considering a wide range of issues related to arbitration. The submissions should be contemporary and relevant, showcasing in-depth research and excellent scholarly standards. The themes for this year's conference are as provided in the next page.

Theme I

Revolutionizing Arbitration with Emerging Technologies

The following sub-themes may be discussed under the above-mentioned general head:

- a) **AI in Arbitration:** Leveraging artificial intelligence for faster and more accurate decision-making.
- b) **Blockchain for Arbitration:** Ensuring transparency and security in arbitration processes using blockchain technology.
- c) **Virtual Hearings and E-Arbitration:** The rise of remote arbitration proceedings and its impact on access to justice.
- d) **Data Analytics in Arbitration:** Using big data to improve case management and predict arbitration outcomes.
- e) **Cybersecurity in Arbitration:** Protecting sensitive data in tech-enabled arbitration processes.
- f) **Regulatory Challenges for Tech-Enabled Arbitration:** Navigating the legal frameworks and standards for tech-driven arbitration.



Theme II

Institutional Arbitration: Navigating Legal Frameworks and Enhancing Procedural Efficiency

The following sub-themes may be discussed under the above-mentioned general head:

a) **Role of Institutional Support in Complex Arbitrations:** How institutions handle multi-party or multi-contract cases.

b) **Standardization of Arbitration Rules:** Impact of unified procedural guidelines on global arbitration efficiency.

c) **Innovations in Case Management:** Technology and tools to streamline procedural efficiency in institutional arbitration.

d) **Jurisdictional Challenges in Institutional Arbitration:** Navigating cross-border legal frameworks and harmonizing international standards.

e) **Appointment of Arbitrators:** How institutions ensure neutrality and expertise in arbitrator selection.

f) **Balancing Costs and Efficiency:** Institutional strategies for controlling arbitration costs while maintaining procedural effectiveness.

g) **Confidentiality v. Transparency in Institutional Arbitration:** Addressing the tension between privacy and public accountability.

Note: Please note that the list of sub-themes is only indicative in nature, participants are welcome to write on other sub-themes provided they fit within the broader theme.



Registration Details

Only in-person participation would be permitted. Co-authorship is permitted up to a maximum of two (2) authors. In case of co-authorship, separate registration would be required for both authors.

Presenters

- a. Academicians/Practitioners/Professionals: INR 6000/- only (per person)
- b. Students(Undergraduate/Postgraduate)/Ph.D. Research Scholars: INR 3000/- only (per person)

Non-Presenters

- a. Academicians/Practitioners/Professionals: INR 3000/- only (per person)
- b. Students/Ph.D. Research Scholars: INR 2000/- (per person)

This Fee payable would be adjusted towards the accommodation, food and conference participation costs. The Participants must bear their individual travel expenses. However, the Conveyance from the Accommodation to the University, would be provided for.

Note: For Participants intending to present their Papers, the payment of Registration Fee is to be only upon the intimation of the final shortlisting of the entries.

Selection Procedure of the Entries

Considering the necessity for upholding the qualitative aspects, the following procedure shall be implemented for the Shortlisting of Manuscripts:

Step I: The Call for Papers shall be released, seeking submission of an Abstract (not more than 300 words). The Abstract should include at least Five (5) keywords.

Step II: The Abstracts would be shortlisted on the basis of the Contemporary Relevance and Propensity to Contribute to the existing literature. The Authors of the shortlisted Abstracts, would be intimated of the same and also informed about the further shortlisting procedure.

Step III: The final shortlisting process, would require the Authors of the shortlisted Abstracts to submit two separate documents: (i). An Extended Abstract (not more than 1500 words)(the Abstract should have at least Five (5) Keywords); and (ii). Final Manuscript (between 7000 – 10,000 words).

Step IV: Both the Extended Abstract and Final Manuscript, shall undergo, a Two-Stage Review Process and the Top 20 entries shall be selected to be presented at the Conference. Authors would be intimated of the Selected Entries and would be provided with further instructions regarding the completion of the Registration Process.

Note: The above Procedure is not applicable to Participants who wish to Attend the Conference as Non-Presenters. The Non-Presenting Participants, may directly register themselves following the Registration Link.

Contribution Guidelines

1. Word Limit:

(a) Abstract: 300 words

(b) Final Manuscripts: 7000 - 10,000 words

** The word limit is exclusive of abstract and footnotes.*

2. The manuscript must be original and an unpublished work.

3. Co-authorship of maximum two authors is allowed.

4. The manuscript must be in conformity with the Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (21st edition).

6. The Abstract/Manuscript must not contain any details or reference to the author's name, affiliation or credentials.

7. The acceptable similarity limit is 10%, and that for AI usage is 30%. Manuscripts with similarity index and/or AI usage exceeding these thresholds will be outrightly rejected.

8. The Manuscript should be on A4-sized paper, in Garamond, font size 12, 1.5 line spacing, justified and 1 inch margin on each side. Footnotes should be in Garamond, font size 10, and with single line spacing.

9. The manuscript must be contained in a Microsoft Word (.doc/.docx) document.

Important Dates and Links

Dates	Event
25th November, 2024	Last Date for Submission of the Abstracts for Preliminary selection process
7th December, 2024	Releasing the Preliminary Shortlist of the Abstracts and Intimating the shortlisted Authors, regarding further shortlisting process.
9th February, 2025	Last Date for Submission of the Extended Abstracts & Final Manuscripts, for the final shortlisting process.
28th February, 2025	Intimation of the results of the Final shortlisting process and intimating the Shortlisted Authors for completion of the Registration Process
7th March, 2025	Closing Date for Registration Process
21st March – 22nd March, 2025	Conference Dates

Registration Link

All submissions must be completed by filling our abstract submission form, available [here](#).

Payment Link

The Payment of the Registration Fees can be made following this link: <https://nlujodhpur.ac.in/nlu-fees/>.

AWARDS

Winners

Cash prize worth Rs. 10,000

Internship opportunities

Certificate(s) of merit

3 months of access to the premium paid version of Jus Mundi

Certificate of Merit shall be awarded to the Top 6 Entries

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES

The submitted entries may be considered for publication in the upcoming Special Issue of Indian Journal of Arbitration Law (Vol. XIII, Issue 2) and may also be considered for publication in an edited Book subject to the review process carried out by the editorial board.

Additionally, all participating teams can request up to 3 days of trial access to Jus Mundi.

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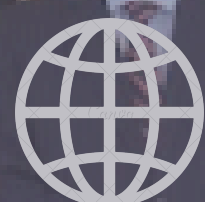
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