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The Indian Legal Profession in the Age of Globalization

Featured Guests Invited

- Arun Jaitley
  Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs
- Dhananjaya Y. Chandrachud
  Judge, Supreme Court of India
- Natarajan Chandrasekaran
  Chairman, Tata Sons
- Nandan Nilekani
  Non-Executive Chairman, Infosys
- Calin Rovinescu
  President and CEO, Air Canada
- Harish Salve
  Senior Advocate
- Zia Mody
  Founding Partner, AZB & Partners
- Ashok Gupta
  Group General Counsel, Aditya Birla Group
- Bharat Vasani
  Senior Adviser & former General Counsel, Tata Sons
- Pratap Bhanu Mehta
  Vice-Chancellor, Ashoka University
- Bibek Debroy
  Member, NITI Aayog; Chair, Economic Council of the Prime Minister
- David B. Wilkins
  Professor, Harvard Law School
- Tarun Khanna
  Professor, Harvard Business School

...And many others

Mumbai – Taj Lands End
The Rise of the Corporate Legal Sector
Friday, December 8, 2017
Keynote, Panel Discussion, & Reception
From 5:00 PM
Saturday, December 9, 2017
Symposium
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Delhi – Taj Mahal Hotel
The Corporate Legal Sector's Impact on India
Friday, December 15, 2017
Keynote, Panel Discussion, & Reception
From 5:00 PM
Saturday, December 16, 2017
Symposium
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Click here to register
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Please feel free to forward this invite to interested parties. Registration required as space is limited. There are no costs to attend.
Book Launch Events

The Indian Legal Profession in the Age of Globalization: The Rise of the Corporate Legal Sector and its Impact on Lawyers and Society

Who are we?

The Harvard Law School Center on the Legal Profession (CLP) seeks to make a substantial contribution to the modern practice of law by increasing understanding of the critical changes currently taking place in the global legal profession. In pursuit of this mission, we:

- Conduct, sponsor, and publish world-class empirical research on the profession;
- Innovate and implement new methods and content for teaching law students, practicing lawyers, and related professionals about the profession; and
- Foster broader and deeper connections bridging between the global universe of legal practitioners and the academy.

The Center is led by its Faculty Director, David B. Wilkins, the Lester Kissel Professor of Law and Vice Dean for Global Initiatives on the Legal Profession of Harvard Law School. For more information about the Center, visit clp.law.harvard.edu

Event descriptions

The Center will host two major events in India to celebrate the publication of The Indian Legal Profession in the Age of Globalization: The Rise of the Corporate Legal Sector and its Impact on Lawyers and Society (Cambridge University Press) in early December 2017. The book, which contains 20 original studies on a wide range of topics including law firms, in-house legal departments, senior advocates, legal education, regulation, and trade and investment, is already being hailed as the most comprehensive and important study ever done on the Indian legal profession. (For more on the book and its findings see below.) These events will offer an opportunity to celebrate the book’s launch, report on its major findings, and discuss plans for how to move the project forward.

The first event will be held in Mumbai at the Taj Lands End and will focus on The Rise of the Corporate Legal Sector. On Friday, December 8 (5:30PM; registration from 5:00PM), we will host a public gathering with a keynote, panel discussion, and reception to celebrate the book’s launch. On Saturday, December 9 (10:00AM-4:00PM) we will host an in-depth symposium on the rise the corporate core, including the growth and development of large law firms, the emergence of increasingly powerful in-house legal departments, issues in cross-border M&A, and other related factors.

The second event will be held in New Delhi at the Taj Mahal Hotel (Mansingh) and will focus on The Corporate Legal Sector’s Impact on India. On Friday, December 15 (5:30PM; registration from 5:00PM) we will again host a public gathering with a keynote, panel discussion and reception. On Saturday, December 16 (10AM-4PM), we will also host a symposium on the corporate legal sector’s impact on India, including changes in legal education, the regulation of foreign law firms, increasing “South-South” relationships, and other related topics.

For more information and to register, click here.
Who attends?

We anticipate a high-level group of senior leaders of law firms, in-house legal departments, the bar, academia, government, and thought leaders to be in attendance. We expect more than 600 delegates to attend the various events.

Our experience in India

The Center has a long history of running major events in India. In addition to conducting the 20+ on-the-ground empirical studies that underpin the book’s findings, the Center has held more than a dozen colloquia and seminars as well as two major events in the country:

- *The Indian Legal Profession in the Age of Globalization* – October 2011 in partnership with the Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi
- *The Future of Corporate Business in India and the Role of the Legal Profession* – December 2012 in partnership with the Indian School of Business in Hyderabad

Each conference has featured high profile speakers, including senior government officials, such as Salman Khurshid, then-Minister for Law & Justice of the Government of India and the Honorable Justice J.S. Verma, then-Chief Justice of India, as well as leading CEOs, managing partners, and general counsel from around the world. These events have attracted distinguished audiences of more than 350+ thought and opinion leaders. As a result of all of this activity, the research has received significant attention from students, practitioners, policymakers, and scholars from around the world.

The book and research

The major impetus for our events in India is the recent publication of *The Indian Legal Profession in the Age of Globalization: The Rise of the Corporate Legal Sector and its Impact on Lawyers and Society* (Cambridge University Press). The book, which will be available at the events, provides the first comprehensive analysis of the impact of globalization on the Indian legal profession. Employing a range of original data from twenty empirical studies, it details the emergence of a new corporate legal sector in India including large and sophisticated law firms and in-house legal departments, as well as legal process outsourcing companies. As the book's authors document, this new corporate legal sector is reshaping other parts of the Indian legal profession, including legal education, the development of pro bono and corporate social responsibility, the regulation of legal services, and gender, communal, and professional hierarchies with the bar. Taken as a whole, the book will be of interest to academics, lawyers, and policymakers interested in the critical role that a rapidly globalizing legal profession is playing in the legal, political, and economic development of important emerging economies like India, and how these countries are integrating into the institutions of global governance and the overall global market for legal services.

For more information about the book, [click here](#).

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