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Day 1

29 April 2017

**Venue: Gulmohar, India Habitat Centre
 Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003**

Day 2

30 April 2017

**Venue: O. P. Jindal Global University
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Programme

Day 1: 29 April 2017

Venue: Gulmohar, India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003

9:00 am – 10:00 am Registration

Inaugural Session: 10:00 am – 11:00 am

- 10:00 am – 10:10 am **Welcome Remarks**
Professor (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar, Vice Chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU)
- 10:10 am – 10:20 am **Opening Remarks**
Professor Colin Picker, University of New South Wales
&
Professor James J. Nedumpara, Jindal Global Law School (JGLS)
- 10:20 am – 10:40 am **Inaugural Address**
Ms. Rita Teatota, Commerce Secretary, Government of India
- 10:40 am – 10:55 am **Special Address**
Mr. Rajeev Kher, Member, Competition Appellate Tribunal
- 10:55 am – 11:00 am **Vote of Thanks**
Ms. Archana Subramanian, Centre for International Trade and Economic Laws, JGLS

11:00 am – 11:30 am: *Tea and Coffee Break*

Panel I: 11:30 am – 12:45 pm Investors States Dispute Settlement (ISDS) in and with South Asia: Methods, Rules, Fora, Actors, Cases and Perspectives [Sponsored by Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities and PLR Chambers]

Chair: Professor Leila Choukroune, Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities, New Delhi

Panelists:

- Dr. Rumana Islam, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Dr. Prabhash Ranjan, South Asian University, New Delhi
- Mr. Kavaljit Singh, Madhyam, New Delhi
- Mr. Harsh Hiroo Gursahani, PLR Chambers

12:45 pm – 2:00 pm: *Lunch*

Panel II: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm The Continuing Relevance of the Special and Differential Treatment at the WTO [Sponsored by the Centre for WTO Studies, IIFT]

Chair: Ambassador V S Seshadri

Panelists:

- Professor Abhijit Das, Centre for WTO Studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade
- Ms. R V Anuradha, Clarus Law Associates
- Ambassador Jayant Dasgupta, Lakshmikumaran & Sridharan
- Ms. Shailja Singh, Centre for WTO Studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm: *Tea and Coffee Break*

Panel III: 4:00 pm – 5:20 pm Agriculture, SPS Agreement and Related Issues

Chair: Dr. Sharmila Mary Joseph, Joint Secretary, Government of India & Member Secretary, National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority

Panelists:

- Professor Yoshimichi Ishikawa, University of Shizuoka, School of International Relations
"Exploring the Policy Implications of US – Animals (DS447) for South Asian Countries"
- Dr. James J. Nedumpara, JGLS & Ms. Shruthi Ramakrishnan, Advocate and Independent Consultant
"Appropriate Level of Protection and the SPS Agreement"

- Mr. Ashish Chandra, Luthra and Luthra Law Offices
"SPS Agreement and the Developing Countries"
- Dr. Saloni Khanderia, Jindal Global Law School
"The WTO's Special Safeguard Mechanism: An Indian Perspective on the Indian Paradox"

5:20 pm – 5:40 pm

Thematic Address

Professor Colin Picker, University of New South Wales

"South Asia and IEL: Legal Cultural Insights"

Day 2: 30 April 2017

Venue: O. P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat Narela Road, Sonipat -131001

Panel I: 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Emerging Issues in Competition Law, Innovation, and Technology

Chair: Dr. Arul George Scaria, Centre for Innovation, Intellectual Property and Competition, National Law University, Delhi

Panelists:

- Dr. Shilpi Bhattacharya, Jindal Global Law School
"Competitive Analysis of Mergers from the Perspective of Firm Rationality"
- Dr. Vikas Kathuria, Competition Commission of India
"Competition Law and Compulsory Licenses in Emerging Markets: A Systems of Innovation Approach"
- Dr. Shiju M.V, Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies, TERI University
"Competition Law and International Trade: The South Asian Response"
- Mr. Swarnim R. Shrivastava, Competition Appellate Tribunal
"Governing Technology Based Trade and Competition Law Issues"

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Tea and Coffee Break

Panel II: 10:45 am – 12:15 pm
WTO and Developing Countries

Chair: Mr. Atul Kaushik, Additional Secretary, Lok Sabha Secretariat

Panelists:

- Ms. Dilini Pathirana, University of Colombo
"Balancing Protection of Foreign Investments with the State Right to Regulate in the Public Interests: Sri Lankan Perspective"
- Dr. Pallavi Kishore, Centre for International Trade and Economic Laws, Jindal Global Law School
"Reinterpreting Conditionalities in the Generalised System of Preferences"
- Dr. Kishore Dere, Jawaharlal Nehru University
"Doha Round Negotiations and South Asia: Towards Evolving Common Legal and Policy Approaches"
- Dr. Amrita Bahri, Law School (Departamento Academico de Derecho), Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México
"Handling WTO Disputes with Private Sector: The Enabling Experience of India"

Panel III: 12:15 pm – 1:30 pm
Trade, Investment and Public Policy

Chair: Professor Dabiru Sridhar Patnaik, Director, Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies, JGLS

Panelists:

- Ms. Vyoma Jha, Stanford Program in International Legal Studies, Stanford Law School
"Sunny Skies Ahead? The political economy of the trade dispute against India's solar policy"
- Professor Rajesh Babu, Public Policy and Management Group, IIM Calcutta
"International posturing amidst domestic neglect? Examining contradictions in India's domestic and international agricultural policies"
- Mr. Heng Wang, UNSW Law, UNSW Australia
"The Challenges of Negotiating the RCEP Investment Rules: A Sino-Indian Perspective"
- Mr. Yogesh Pai, Centre for Innovation, Intellectual Property and Competition, National Law University, Delhi
"India's IP Regime for Pharmaceuticals in the Context of TPP: A Legal Assessment"

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm: Lunch

Round Table on E-Commerce and Digital Trade: 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
[Sponsored by Economic Laws Practice]

Chair: Mr. Mukesh Bhatnagar, Centre for WTO Studies, New Delhi

- Mr. Sanjay Notani, Economic Laws Practice
- Mr. Kailas Karthikeyan, Attorney and Public Policy Professional
- Mr. Pranav Mehra, Snapdeal
- Ms. Pallavi Bajaj, Little Yellow Beetle Media Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Rachit Ranjan, Uber

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm: Tea and Coffee Break

Panel IV: 4:00 pm – 5:15 pm
International Trade, Finance and Investment Law: Specific Concerns

Chair: Mr. Suresh Nanwani, Honorary Associate Professor, Australian National University, College of Law

Panelists:

- Mr. Madhav Mallya, Lloyd College of Law, New Delhi
"Environmental Impact Assessment as a Component of International Investment Agreements – Preventing Environmental Harm"
- Mr. Pushkar Anand & Mr. Amit Kumar Sinha, College of Legal Studies, University of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Dehradun
"Investment Protection at the Cost of Tribal Rights? Rethinking Indian International Investment Agreements"
- Ms. Rosmy Joan, National Law University, Jodhpur
"Model Bilateral Investment Treaties and the Role of the State in Investment Rule Making"
- Mr. Veer Mayank, Sikkim University
"Rehypothecation of Clients Assets: An Examination of the Regulatory Provisions in India in the Context of Financial Stability Board's (FSB) analysis of Regulatory Approaches around the World"

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm: SAIELN Business Committee Meeting

