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**2nd NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEGAL EDUCATION,
PROFESSION AND INTEGRATING PRO BONO CULTURE
FOR BETTER ACCESS TO JUSTICE**

APRIL 6-7, 2024

**PRO BONO CLUB
RAJIV GANDHI SCHOOL OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW**

About the Conference:

The primary objective of our upcoming conference is to establish a dynamic platform that brings together students, researchers, academicians, legal practitioners, and other stakeholders. This gathering aims to contribute significantly to the ongoing discourse surrounding essential reforms in India's Pro Bono culture. In India, Pro Bono Legal Services have traditionally been carried out in an unorganized manner by individual lawyers, NGOs, and law firms. The conference seeks to address this by fostering collaboration and discussions that will lead to a more structured and impactful Pro Bono legal framework. By providing a space for dialogue, we aim to catalyze positive changes that will make justice more available, accessible, and affordable for all members of our society.

Furthermore, our focus extends to protecting the rights of the illiterate, the unheard, and the unfortunate segments of our society. We believe in building a robust Legal Aid System that not only addresses pressing concerns but also ensures a fair and just legal representation for those who need it the most. Join us in shaping the future of Pro Bono legal services in India, where our collective efforts can make a lasting impact on the lives of those who are underserved in our communities.

Eligibility:

The Conference is open to academicians, students, researchers, practitioners, and other stakeholder interested in the subject.

Call for Paper:

Pro Bono Club, RGSO IPL, IIT Kharagpur, invites paper from legal professionals, academicians, practitioners, research scholars, administrators, students, social activists, and the representatives of governmental and nongovernmental organizations to present their research papers on the following sub-themes:

- Towards a Socially Relevant Legal Education to Inculcate Pro Bono Culture for Better Access to Justice

- Engagement of the Bar, Bench, the Law Universities in Developing Pro Bono Culture in India
- Indian Law Firms and Pro Bono Practices
- Exploring Newer Technologies for Advancing Access to Justice and Clinical Legal Education
- Inculcating the Culture of ADR and Client Centered Lawyering in Pro Bono Services
- Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility in Pro Bono Practice
- Measuring the Impact and Success of Pro Bono Programs

Note: Author(s) are at their discretion to choose any sub-theme for their paper that corresponds to the principle agenda of the Conference. Joint authorship is allowed up to two persons.

Submission and Formatting Guidelines:

- Abstract: An abstract of 300-350 words outlining the central theme(s) of the paper.
- Paper: Sole or Co-authorship of not more than 2 authors.
- Length: Papers should be between 5000 and 6000 words (excluding footnotes).
- English: Follow British spelling and punctuation conventions.
- Font Size and Style: Kindly use Times New Roman 12 point for the main text and 10 point for footnotes.
- Headings: The heading should be used as per the following style:
 - First heading: 14 pt, Bold, Center
 - Second heading: 12 pt, Bold, Left aligned
 - Third heading: 12 pt, Italics, Centre
- Line Spacing: The line spacing of the main text of the paper should be 1.5. The line spacing words between footnotes should be 1.
- Indent: Left and Right indent should be 0.5 on both sides.
- References: OSCOLA 4th Edition.

Abstract shall be submitted to this Link by 15 February 2024:

<https://bit.ly/2ndProBonoConferenceIITKharagpur>

Kindly Note: At least 1 author should be physically present during Conference days.

Registration Fees:

Category	Registration Fees
Outsider Students	INR 2000/- (Excluding Accommodation)
Researchers	INR 2500 (Excluding Accommodation)
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Kindly Note: Registration fees to be paid only after selection of abstract at IIT Portal. Specific instructions for payment of fees will be given after selection of abstract.

Accommodation:

Accommodation may be provided in the New Technology Guest House on payment basis as per the following (request to be made during Abstract Submission):

- D/B AC Room per Day: Single Occupancy (Rs. 1500+ 12% GST for 24 Hours Check-in and Check-out),
- D/B AC Room per Day: Double Occupancy (Rs. 2000+ 12% GST for 24 Hours Check-in and Check-out).

Important Dates:

- Last Date for Abstract Submission: 15 February, 2024
- Last Date of Communication of Acceptance of Abstract: 29 February, 2024
- Last Date for Registration and Payment in IIT Portal: 07 March, 2024
- Submission of Full Paper: 25 March, 2024
- Dates of Conference: 6 and 7 April, 2024

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