Symposium

ONE EARTH, ONE FAMILY, ONE FUTURE: LEARNINGS FROM INDIA’S G20 PRESIDENCY

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ABOUT INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR

“Yoga Karmasu Kaushalam” is the ingrained letter in the insignia of the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, which is the oldest IIT in this country. This literally means, “Excellence in action is Yoga”, which signifies its tenacity towards tradition and modernity. This determination of the institute is evident in its research outputs, placement drives and overall development of its student, teacher, and non-teaching community. “Dedicated to the service of the Nation” is the institute’s motto; imbibing this spirit, the institute has initiated courses in a field other than that of technology, viz; Law, Management, Social Sciences and Medical Sciences. This is pertinent for the wholesome growth of the Nation.

ABOUT RAJIV GANDHI SCHOOL OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

Rajiv Gandhi School of Intellectual Property Law (RGSIoIPL) is the only Law School in the whole IIT system. RGSIoIPL was established in the year 2006 with the endeavour to integrate technology and law to build lawyers with expertise to deal with legal issues in the interface of technology and law. We aspire to produce lawyers with interdisciplinary strength. RGSIoIPL believes in holistic growth, with research being a core area of focus.

RGSIoIPL and its faculty constantly strive to cultivate and nurture the spirit of excellence among the students. The educational curriculum of the School includes a three-year Bachelor’s Degree in Law (LL.B Hons. in IP Law), a two-year Master’s Degree in Law (LL.M), and a Doctoral Programme (Ph.D).
ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM

G20 or the Group of Twenty is a premier forum for international economic cooperation. It plays an important role in shaping and strengthening global architecture and governance on all major international economic issues. It was formed in 1999 after the Asian Financial crisis of 1997–98 as an informal forum for the Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors to discuss global economic and financial issues. It was upgraded to the level of Heads of State in the wake of the global economic and financial crisis of 2007. The G20 members represent around eighty five percent of the global GDP, over seventy five percent of the global trade and about two–thirds of the world population.

The Presidency of G20 was handed over to Shri Narendra Modi Ji, Hon’ble Prime Minister of India by Mr. Joko Widodo, Hon’ble President of Indonesia at the close of the Bali Summit. India’s presidency began on 1st December 2022. It coincided with the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav initiative of the Government of India which not only celebrates and commemorates seventy five years of India’s independence and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements but also envisions a technology-driven and knowledge-based economy with strong public finances and a robust financial sector. According to Shri Narendra Modi Ji, India’s leadership has transformed the G20 from a “platform of ideas into a roadmap for the future, setting the stage for global collaboration”. It is playing the role of catalyst in shifting the traditional GDP-centric view of the world towards a more inclusive and human-centric approach.

The G20 summit in New Delhi was held on September 09–10, at the Bharat Mandapam International Exhibition–Convention Centre, with Shri Narendra Modi Ji serving as the Chairman. India created history when it become the first country in the South-Asia to host the G20 members. The summit coincides with her recent achievement of successfully landing near the south pole of the moon.
The mission has not only significantly bolstered India’s space programme and domestic technological capabilities, but it has also augmented India’s influence through its’ soft power’s endeavours. The selected motto for the summit was *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*, a phrase that conveys the concept of a universal sense of oneness. In essence, it signifies the idea of a singular Earth, a united family, and a shared future. In anticipation of the summit, Shri Narendra Modi Ji expressed his aspirations for the presidency, emphasising the objective of fostering unity and collaboration while overcoming divisions and hurdles. The aim was to cultivate a global environment where shared destiny takes precedence over isolation. The New Delhi summit was a huge success that witnessed India’s focus on climate change, just energy transitions for developing countries, life movement which promotes environmentally-conscious practices and is based on India’s sustainable traditions, increased knowledge-sharing in areas such as digital public infrastructure, financial inclusion and tech-enabled development in sectors such as agriculture and education, women empowerment and representation in order to boost socio-economic development and the achievement of SDGs and areas that have the potential to bring structural transformation, including supporting small and medium-sized enterprises in global trade, promoting labour rights and welfare, addressing the global skills gap, and building inclusive agricultural value chains and food systems is believed to bring about profound changes in the post-pandemic world.

The G20 Presidency has given India the opportunity to promote its vision for a sustainable, inclusive and equitable world, and to raise its profile as a leader in the Indo-Pacific region. India also earned the respect of other countries for her efforts to bring the African Union within the fold of G20. Besides, these the summit was successful in launching the Global Biofuel Alliance (GBA), adoption of joint consensus declaration called the New Delhi Leaders Declaration, and a joint agreement to build a rail and shipping corridor linking India with the Middle East and Europe called the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor.
In this perspective, we invite academicians, lawyers, students and learners to participate in the SYMPOSIUM ON ONE EARTH, ONE FAMILY, ONE FUTURE: LEARNINGS FROM INDIA'S G20 PRESIDENCY, and be part of the process of learning of events that culminated in India's presidency. The Symposium will examine the impact of India's Presidency on the following areas and how will contribute to global peace and sustainable development. The four thematic areas of discussion are:

- Trade, Investment and Economic Cooperation
- Climate Justice, Sustainability and Good Governance
- Regional Security in South Asia and Peace Building
- Women Empowerment and Leadership

WHO CAN ATTEND

The two-day Symposium on One Earth, One Family, One Future: Learnings from India’s G20 Presidency is open for academicians, researchers, practitioners, students, and independent researchers. We believe the two-day symposium will serve as a platform for a vibrant discussion and exchange of ideas. Our expert panelists will be from government, academia and research institutions.

FOR PARTICIPATION

Please fill up the form in this link: http://bit.ly/3LZw2Kg
Last Date of Registration: 01 November, 2023

Registration Fees (Not inclusive of lodging and food):
- Faculty— INR 1000/-,
- Industry Participants— INR 1000/-,
- Outsider Student— INR 500/-.

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