



Cell for Law & Technology

**1ST CLT - SAM GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM
ON LAW AND TECHNOLOGY**

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ABOUT NLIU & CLT



The National Law Institute University, Bhopal (NLIU), was established on 1st September, 1998, with the first B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) course. Over the years, NLIU has been designing and delivering new courses, such as the B.Sc. LL.B. (Hons.) course in the year 2022, with a view to enhance the ability and capacity of the students and members of the faculty.

The NLIU Cell for Law and Technology was established in October 2019 under the mentorship of our Faculty-in-Charge, Prof. (Dr.) Atul Kumar Pandey.

Today, the Cell is engaged in various activities, such as our peer-reviewed NLIU Journal of Law and Technology (JLT), submitting legislative comments on draft regulations, and producing regular insights through our newsletter. Moreover, every year, the Cell hosts its flagship event: Techtonic, which consists of a policy case competition, roundtable discussions, and much more.

ABOUT THE COLLABORATOR



We are delighted to collaborate with Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co. (SAM), one of India's premier full-service law firms.

As technology increasingly becomes a cornerstone of modern commercial and transactional practice, SAM's deep expertise in advising cutting-edge technology businesses and navigating complex intellectual property matters provided invaluable real-world insight into the legal nuances of technological innovation.

Through this meaningful association, CLT is able to offer students an extraordinary opportunity to examine how technology intersects with corporate law, complex transactions, and regulatory frameworks. Engaging directly with leading practitioners at the very forefront of Indian legal practice will allow participants to deepen their academic understanding and gain practical perspectives on key industry developments. We are grateful for SAM's invaluable support and collaboration in enriching our student community.

ABOUT THE 1ST NLIU-CLT GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM ON LAW AND TECHNOLOGY

The Cell for Law and Technology (CLT) proposes to organise the “**1st NLIU-CLT Global Symposium on Law and Technology**” (NLIU-GSLT). It seeks to provide a structured platform for academicians, practitioners, research scholars, and students to deliberate upon contemporary legal and policy challenges in India’s digital and technology ecosystem.

India’s technology and digital ecosystem is governed by an evolving regulatory regime led primarily by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY). Over the past decade, regulatory bodies and legislative frameworks have swiftly adapted to address rapid technological advances, balancing digital innovation and economic growth with user protection and fundamental rights.



OBJECTIVES OF THE NLIU-GSLT

The Symposium aims to:

- Promote research and dialogue on contemporary technology law and governance.
- Critically examine recent regulatory frameworks, legislative acts, and policy proposals governing emerging technologies.
- Analyse judicial trends, constitutional implications, and regulatory adjudication emerging from courts regarding digital rights and cyber law.
- Encourage interdisciplinary engagement between law, public policy, ethics, and digital economics.
- Provide a national forum for presenting original research on technology regulation, artificial intelligence, data privacy, and digital infrastructure.
- Facilitate academia and industry interaction to address practical legal and policy challenges in the digital ecosystem.



THEMES

1. Algorithmic Bias and Discrimination: Can Technology Be Constitutionally Neutral?
2. Digital Surveillance and the Right to Privacy: Legal Limits on State and Private Monitoring
3. Children in the Digital Age: Privacy, Online Safety and Platform Responsibility
4. Technology and Access to Justice: Opportunities and Legal Challenges of Digital Courts and Legal Technology
5. Cross-Border Data Transfers: Reconciling Data Sovereignty, Privacy and the Global Digital Economy
6. Regulating Big Data: Ownership, Consent and Control Over Data-Driven Technologies
7. Autonomous Systems, Human Consequences: Law in the Age of Self-Driving Tech - Liability and safety regulation for autonomous vehicles and drones.

ATTENDEES

The Symposium is open to:

- Undergraduate Students; Postgraduate Students
- Doctoral Scholars
- Academicians and Researchers
- Advocates and Legal Practitioners
- Professionals in Law and Technology
- Policy Makers



PANELISTS

Practitioners and legal leaders from Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co. will form the expert panel for the NLIU - GSLT. The Technical Sessions during the Symposium will feature insightful discussions from SAM's team as they share their industry-leading perspectives and expertise on key contemporary legal issues.

SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

- **Long Articles:** Between 5000 and 8000 words. Papers in this category are expected to engage with the theme comprehensively and offer an innovative reassessment of the current understanding of that theme. For a long article, co-authorship of up to two authors is permitted.
- **Short Articles:** Between 3000 and 5000 words. Short articles are expected to be far more concise in scope. These papers are usually meant to deal with a very specific issue and argue that the issue must be conceptualized differently. They should be more engaging and make a more easily identifiable, concrete argument.
- **Case Comments:** Between 1500 and 2500 words. These are analyses of any contemporary judicial pronouncement or a new piece of legislation/rules/consultation papers, whether in India or outside. The note must identify and examine the line of cases through which the decision in the question came about and comment on implications for the evolution of that branch of law. In the case of legislative comment, the note must analyse the objective of the legislation and the legal impact the same is expected to have.





SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Authors shall submit an abstract of not more than 250 words. It must clearly state the research question, methodology, and key arguments.
 - The manuscript must be prepared on A4-sized paper in MS Word, typewritten in British English using Times New Roman, font size 12, with 1.5 line spacing, justified alignment, and 1-inch margins on all sides. Footnotes shall be in font size 10 with single line spacing. Authors must conform to either the OSCOLA (Oxford Standard for the Citation of Legal Authorities) or the 20th Edition of the Bluebook citation style.
 - The manuscript shall not contain any identification of the author(s); inclusion of such details will result in rejection. All submissions must be original and unpublished work.
 - Any form of plagiarism shall lead to direct rejection. Authors are required to duly acknowledge all relevant sources through appropriate footnotes. Similarity Check should not exceed beyond 15%.
 - All manuscripts shall be subjected to a Blind Review Procedure. Reviewers shall not be informed of the author's name, university, year of study, or any other identifying information.
 - The Editorial Board reserves the right to edit, modify, shorten, or make necessary additions to the manuscript for publication, including subsequent revisions or republication in later years, provided that the substantive meaning of the text is not materially altered.
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- The word Limit mentioned in the Submission Categories is exclusive of footnotes. The prescribed word limit may be relaxed up to 10% at the discretion of the Editorial Board
 - It shall be the responsibility of the author(s) to ensure that the manuscript does not infringe any copyright and that due credit is given to all contributors. The copyright of the manuscript, upon final presentation and publication, shall vest jointly with the author(s) and NLIU. In the event that the author(s) subsequently wish to publish the work elsewhere, prior permission from the Editorial Board must be obtained, and appropriate acknowledgment must be made that the work first appeared in the Symposium proceedings.
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MODE OF SUBMISSION

- Authors are requested to submit their abstracts by 11.59 p.m. on 25th September, 2026.
 - The submission is to be made via [this Google Form](#) only.
 - Each author will receive a confirmation of their submission shortly.
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REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Participants are invited to register either individually (single author) or in teams of a maximum of two authors upon the selection of the Abstract.
- Registration Fee : INR 500

Note: Upon selection of the paper for presentation at the 1st CLT-SAM GSLT, further registration fees will be payable, which will be inclusive of food and accommodation for the GSLT.

SELECTION OF ABSTRACTS

- After the submission of abstracts, the authors will be notified as to the selection of the abstracts by 5th October, 2026.
- Thereupon, the authors are invited to submit their full manuscript. These manuscripts will then undergo a double-blind editorial review process consisting of the Technical Review, Content Review, and Peer Review,
- Following this thorough process, the Top 15 manuscripts will be selected for presentation at the 1st CLT SAM - GSLT.
- The Top 10 manuscripts will be selected for publication in the Special Edition of the Journal for Law and Technology (JLT).
- Note: The selection of Top 10 manuscripts for publication is independent of the Oral Round scores received during the symposium. These scores will only be counted towards the Awards.

AWARDS

- The Top 3 performers in the 1st CLT SAM -GSLT will be awarded as follows*:

S. No.	Position	Details
1.	First Position	1. Internship at Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas 2. Cash Prize 3. Trophy
2.	Second Position	1..Cash Prize 2. Trophy
3.	Third position	1. Cash Prize 2. Trophy

*Numbers are indicative pending finalization upon approval of the Faculty-in-charge.

TIMELINE



Deadline for Abstract
Submission (Registration)
25th September, 2026

Notification for Selection
of Abstract
5th October, 2026



Deadline for Paper
Submission
5th November, 2026

Notification for
Selection of Papers
30 January, 2027



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