

# **Two Day Seminar on Changing Landscape of Scholarly Writings and Publications**

**24-25 March 2017**



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## **Vision & Objectives of the Seminar**

The Seminar primarily focuses on providing a common platform among aspirant scholars highly esteemed academicians and senior editors of reputed publishing houses to have helpful insights for better learning, improving writing skills and imparting perception how to craft scholarly papers and understanding the process behind developing and publishing scholarship. Number of subject would be discussed and deliberated on various topics of interest like publishing pattern in digital age, plagiarism and academic honesty, process of peer-reviewed and citation analysis. The Seminar also provides comprehensive overview on various tools and techniques, research methods and role of copyright in protecting authors' rights.

# **Programme Schedule**

**Registration: 9.00 am to 10.00 am**

**Inaugural Session**  
**10.00 am to 11.00 am**

**Welcome Remarks-** Professor (Dr.) Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor, NLU, Delhi

**About the Conference-** Dr. Priya Rai, Deputy Librarian, NLU, Delhi

**Inauguration of Index to Indian and Foreign Legal Articles (2012-2015)**

**Inaugural Address-** Professor Mahendra P. Singh, Visiting Professor, NLU, Delhi, Former Chairperson, Delhi Judicial Academy, Former Vice Chancellor, NUJS, Kolkatta

**Keynote Address-** Mr. NJP Shilohu Rao, General Manager, Capacity Building, National eGovernance Division (NeGD) Digital India

**Vote of Thanks-** Dr. Akash Singh, Assistant Librarian, NLU, Delhi

**High Tea**

**Day One March 24, 2017**

**Session-I Plenary Session**

**11.30 am to 12.30 pm**

**Publishing Pattern in Academic World:  
Doctoral Thesis to Journal Articles**

**Chairperson-** Professor S. Sachidhanandam, Former Vice Chancellor, T.N. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Law University, Tamil Nadu, Visiting Professor, NLU, Delhi

**Invited Talk-** Professor M. P. Singh, Visiting Professor, NLU, Delhi, Former Chairperson, Delhi Judicial Academy, Former Vice Chancellor, NUJS, Kolkatta, Visiting Professor, NLU, Delhi

**Discussant:** Dr. Mrinal Satish, Associate Professor, Executive Director, Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Governance, NLU, Delhi.

**Discussant:** Ms. Sharmila Abraham, Vice President Commissioning, Sage India

**Agenda:**

In the past while it was comparatively easy to publish but in recent times it has become more difficult. This shift in publishing pattern in academic world has resulted in more competition and rigorous processes. The majority of researchers now prefer to read a 10-page paper about a more specific part of a doctoral research than plough through over 400 pages of labour. Regardless of the time constraints, it's still extremely valuable to take the step of turning your doctoral thesis into journal papers.

## **Session-II**

**12.30 pm to 1.30 pm**

### **Mapping the Publishing Landscape: Publishers Perspective**

**Chairperson-** Dr. R. K. Verma, Chief Scientist (Ret.) at CSIR-NISCAIR and Editor IJ-LINK.

**Co-Chair:** Dr. Chetan Sharma, Deputy Librarian, Kurukshetra University, Haryana

**Discussant:** Jai Prasad, Editorial Board, Oxford University Press, New Delhi

**Discussant:** Ms. Surbhee Dhamija, Editorial Board, Springer India

**Discussant:** Ms. Madhumita Kumar Ranjan, Assistant Manager, Content Creation and Acquisition, LexisNexis.

**Discussant:** Mr. Vinay Ahuja, Managing Director, Mohan Law House.

#### **Agenda:**

Academic publishing occurs in an environment of powerful intellectual, financial, and sometimes political interests that may collide or compete. Good decisions and strong editorial processes designed to manage these interests will foster a sustainable and efficient publishing system, which will benefit of all stake holders like academic societies, journal editors, authors, research funders, readers, and publishers.

**Networking Lunch 1.30 pm to 2.00 pm**

## **Session-III**

**2.00 pm to 3.00 pm**

### **Publishing Ethics: A Fair Play Game**

**Chairperson-** Prof. Sudhir Kumar, Professor (Rtd.), School of Information Science, Vikram University Ujjain

**Co-Chair:** Dr. N K Wadhwa, Sr. Principal Scientist, National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi.

**Invited Talk:** Dr. Ramesh Gaur, University Librarian, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

**Special Talk:** Dr. Anup Surendernath, Assistant Professor and Director, Centre on Death Penalty, National Law University, Delhi

**Discussant:** Dr. Priya Rai, Deputy Librarian and Head, Justice T.P.S. Chawla Library, National Law University Delhi

**Discussant:** Mr. Vaibhav Goel, Turnitin India Education Pvt. Ltd.

#### **Agenda:**

Academic publishing depends, to a great extent, on trust. Editors trust peer reviewers to provide fair assessments, authors trust editors to select appropriate peer reviewers, and readers put their trust in the peer-review process. It is therefore important to agree upon standards of expected ethical behavior for all parties involved in the act of publishing. Following ethical guidelines also means that when an article is published in a journal, readers can trust that the paper was evaluated thoroughly by editors and independent peer reviewers. Good publication practices do not develop by chance, and will become established only if they are actively promoted.

**Tea**

## **Session-IV**

### **3.30 pm to 4.30 pm**

### **Discernment the Process of Peer-review: Resubmission, Revision to Rejection**

**Chairperson-** Prof. (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai, Professor and Registrar,  
National Law University Delhi, Sector-14, Dwarka, New Delhi

**Co-Chair:** Dr. Neeraj Chaurasia, Deputy Librarian, Indian Institute of  
Technology Delhi

**Invited Talk:** Prof. M. P. Singh, Former Professor of Political Science,  
University of Delhi, Editor, Journal of Indian Institute of Public  
Administration

**Special Talk:** Dr. Shantanu Ganguly, Fellow and Associate Editor,  
(World Digital Library), Knowledge Management Division TERI,  
India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

**Discussant:** Dr. Arul J Scaria, Assistant Professor of Law and Co-  
Director of the Centre for Innovation, Intellectual Property and  
Competition (CIIPC), National Law University, Delhi

**Discussant:** Mr. Sumeet Malik, Director, Eastern Book Company and  
Supreme Court Cases.

**Discussant:** Mr. V. Senthil, Head Publication Division, DRDO

#### **Agenda:**

Scholarly publication is the means by which new work is communicated and peer review is an important part of this process. In academic publishing, the goal of peer review is to assess the quality of articles submitted for publication in a scholarly journal. Peer review is an important part of the quality control mechanism that is used to determine what is published, and what is not. The peer review process acts as a filter for interest and relevance to the field being targeted by a journal.

**Day Two March 25, 2017**

**Session-V Plenary Session**

**10.00 am to 11.00 am**

**Measuring Impact Factor and Citation  
Analysis: What and How**

**Chairperson-** Dr. Aparna Chandra, Assistant Professor of Law and Research Director of the Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Governance, National Law University, Delhi

**Co-Chair:** Dr. Samar Iqbal Bakshi, Assistant Librarian, Justice T.P.S. Chawla Library, National Law University, Delhi

**Invited Talk:** Mr Yatish Panwar, Senior Technical Officer, National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources (NISCAIR)

**Discussant:** Mr. Alok Jha, Web of Science, Thomson Reuter.

**Discussant:** Mr. Vishal Gupta, Scopus, Reed and Elsevier.

**Agenda:**

Understanding why citation patterns are the way they are for any individual academic or research and how they might be improved upon, is not a simple task to do. Thinking about those Osiris demands a good deal of appropriate context.

**Tea**



## **Session-VI**

### **11.30 am to 12.30 pm**

#### **Effective Research Methods: Tools and Techniques**

**Chairperson-** Dr. Niraj Kumar, Assistant Professor of Law, National Law University, Delhi

**Co-Chair:** Mr. Salek Chand, Senior Documentation Officer, National Institute of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi

**Invited Talk:** Dr. R K Srivastava, Additional Registrar (Library), Supreme Court of India, New Delhi

**Discussant:** Dr. R S Beniwal, Sr. Principal Scientist, National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources (NISCAIR)

**Discussant:** Dr. Dharam Veer, President, AMLA

**Discussant:** Dr. Lata Suresh, Director-Library, IICA

#### **Agenda:**

Research has many avenues, and for the truly creative and innovative researchers, these are the more unique. The reality is, however, that some methods of research are more reliably and effective than others. Choosing the right ones for the right projects can mean the difference between fact and fallacy, success and failure.

## **Session-VII**

**12.30 pm to 1.30 pm**

### **Challenges in the Growth of Institutional Repositories and Open Access Publishing**

**Chairperson-** Dr. P. K. Jain, Librarian, Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi.

**Co-Chair:** Dr. Anil Kumar Jain, Associate Professor, Chairman, Board of Studies, L&ISc, Vikram University, Ujjain

**Invited Talk:** Dr. Usha Mujo Munshi, Librarian, IIPA, New Delhi

**Discussant:** Dr. Praveen Babbar, Deputy Librarian, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

**Discussant:** Dr. Sanjay Kataria, Librarian, Bennett University, Greater Noida

**Discussant:** Dr. Akash Singh, Assistant Librarian, Justice T.P.S. Chawla Library, National Law University Delhi.

#### **Agenda:**

Open access and online publishing have dramatically changed the way that research is disseminated and distributed throughout the higher education sector. Within a decade, online publishing has moved the realm of publication from solely print copies to producing materials which remain almost exclusively in electronic forms. It is inevitable outcome of a digital age in which digital scholarship and digital research have become the norm.

**Networking Lunch 1.30 pm to 2.00 pm**

## **Session-VIII**

### **2.00 pm to 3.00 pm**

#### **Contract, Royalties and Copyright in Digital Regime**

**Chairperson-** Dr. D. V. Singh, University Librarian, University of Delhi, New Delhi

**Co-Chair:** Dr. Pardeep Rai, Librarian, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi, New Delhi

**Invited Talk:** Dr. Raman Mittal, Associate Professor, Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi, New Delhi

**Discussant:** Dr. Vandana Mahalwar, Assistant Research Professor of Law, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi

**Discussant:** Mr. Nandkishore Aggarwal, Partner, Aggarwal Associates

#### **Agenda:**

At the heart of the publishing industry lies the ability of a publisher to select or commission content that the reading public will be ready to purchase. Publishers produce this content in print and/or in other digital and use sales and marketing skills to sell this content to readers. Publishers are creators, acquirers, custodians, and managers – owners and users – of intellectual property rights. They possess certain rights in the work they produce and sell, and they hold other rights on behalf of third parties. Publishers therefore have a professional interest in exploiting these rights to the best advantage of their authors as well as themselves. They are thus obliged to treat the rights of others with respect. This is a moral obligation, which is equivalent to their legal responsibilities. There is also a responsibility to society, for intellectual property rights are central to the promotion of cultural advancement and the flow of knowledge and information.

# **VALEDICTORY**

**3.30 pm to 4.30 pm**

**25 March 2017**

**Welcome Remarks-** Professor (Dr.) Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor, National Law University Delhi

**Conference Briefings-** by Dr. Priya Rai, Deputy Librarian, NLU, Delhi

**Valedictory Address-** Dr. Manoj Kumar Patariya, Director, CSIR-NISCAIR

**Keynote Address-** Prof. Thomas J. Stipanowich, William H. Webster Chair in Dispute Resolution and Professor of Law, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA.

**Vote of Thanks-** Prof. (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai, Professor and Registrar, NLU, Delhi

**High Tea**

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