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International Conference on Balancing Intellectual Property Law: Maintaining Incentives and Ensuring Access

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5th OCTOBER 2023

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About the Conference

The current global economy is primarily knowledge-based. It is necessary to innovate, create, and disseminate knowledge for handling concerns like eradicating poverty, working with artificial intelligence, addressing climate change, and protecting environmental sustainability. This knowledge constitutes intellectual property (IP) and must be incentivised and protected because it has the potential to become an asset and influence future developments. Intellectual property legislation grants the creator or inventor of IP a monopoly to exercise certain rights over that particular creation for a limited period of time. Once the monopoly period expires, the IP becomes a part of the knowledge reservoir, which everyone can access, use and further develop. IP law aims primarily to provide an incentive to bring new creations to society, but at the same time, a strong IP law might be prejudicial to the public interest as it will hamper competition, supply, and the price of the product. On the other hand, if the public interest is given more importance, the individual's interests will be at stake, de-incentivizing them to come up with new ideas and innovations and eventually harming society in the long run. Intellectual property laws ensure that private rights and the public interest are both satisfied. However, this balance lies on a tightrope, and there is a need to interpret these laws to avoid disturbing them.

In this backdrop, the conference aims to analyze various forms of Intellectual property Laws in balancing private rights and public interest. The conference aims to provide a platform for the Academicians, Advocates, Research Scholars, Law Students, NGO'S and Policymakers to delve into the issues and solicit their views.

Sub-themes

- Environmental protection and the Role of IP
- AI and IP
- IP and public welfare
- IP and Human rights
- Community Interest and IP
- Traditional Knowledge
- Geographical indication
- AI and patentability
- AI protection and copyright issues
- Vehicles of IP commercialization
- Entertainment Industry and Copyright protection
- Moral rights v. Copyright right
- Trips Plus Agreement- a challenge to public health
- TRIPS Agreement the balance between IPR and public right
- Patent law and public health
- Compulsory licensing of patented drugs
- Compulsory licensing in IP
- Cover versions and copyright
- Biosimilar drug and data exclusivity
- Patent rights v. Health rights
- Sustainable Development and IP
- TRIPS Agreement and Access to Medicines
- FTAs and Access to Health
- IP Protection of seeds v. farmer's right
- Patent linkage and access to drugs
- Idea v. Expression dichotomy in Copyright

The above sub-themes are indicative and not exhaustive. Participants can formulate their own themes within the broader framework of the conference i.e "Balancing Intellectual Property Law: Maintaining Incentives and Ensuring Access"

Important Dates

Conference Date: 05.10.2023

Last date for Abstract Submission: 15.08.2023

Confirmation of Abstract: 17.08.2023

Submission of Full paper: 10.09.2023

Registration fees

Academicians: Rs.1000/-

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Research Scholars:Rs. 750/-

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Participants (not presenting papers): Rs. 350/

Note: In the case of co-authorship, both participants have to pay and register separately as per their designation charges.

All the delegates are requested to bring ID Proof at the time of the event

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Certificates will be provided to all the participants

Selected Articles will be published in SCOPUS Indexed /UGC Care listed /Peer-reviewed journals /Edited Book. Publication charges will be borne by the authors separately.

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