## SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL, PUNE

## **Curtain Raiser**

## 12th Annual International Research Conference-Rule of Law in Context: Rethinking Law and Policy with reference to Quality of Life – Global Economic Justice (SYMROLIC 2024)

Symbiosis Law School, Pune, a constituent of Symbiosis International (Deemed University) is organising the 12th Annual International Research Conference-Rule of Law in Context: Rethinking Law and Policy with reference to Quality of Life as Global Economic Justice (SYMROLIC 2024) on May 3rd and 4th, 2024, shedding light on legal research responding to emerging areas of AI, SDG, vulnerable and international comparative law.

Symbiosis Conference on Rule of Law in Context (SYMROLIC) represents the point of arrival of Faculty of Law, SIU to maturity with its own imprint in the world of legal research. The journey began in 2012 as a national conference showcasing in-house research with the objective of building on research excellence within, developing new ideas as well as updating research ideas. It grew into international participation by 2015. This has been drawing on Symbiosis International (Deemed University)'s new impetus to thrust areas, excellence centres and innovation. SYMROLIC is in keeping with lead research trends, addressing the need for legal reality to be reflecting the need for narrowing the gap between the idea and reality of a rule of law society. Under the illustrious leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Shashikala Gurpur Fulbright Scholar, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Pune, Dean, Faculty of Law, Symbiosis International (Deemed University), Jean Monnet Chair Professor (EUC-LAMP Co-funded by EU), the two-day event will feature the following tracks, which mark the focal areas of the conference: Track 1 will comprise of Law and Human Behaviour-National and International Perspectives; Track 2 will encapsulate Business, Trade, Commerce, Management and Law; Track 3 will cater to International Law, Policy and Governance & European Legal Studies in Law, Business, Humanities, Science, Trade, Economics; Track 4 will be the special track under JM Chair, SIU with its focus on EU Climate Justice Law, Governance, Management and Policy; Track 5 will emphasize on Innovation, Science, Technology and Law. Finally, Track 6 will deal with Public Law, Society and Governance.

Prof. Dr. Indrajit Dube, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Meghalaya will grace the occasion as the Chief Guest of the two-day event, which will witness a galaxy of national and international experts as panellists and plenary speakers. Additionally, it will have two workshops on research: Integrating Indian Knowledge System in Research Today & Cyber Vistas of Legal Research.

SYMROLIC has emerged as a stronghold of competence, research and the intersection between Law & Life, offering a robust platform for all collaborative discourse and exploration of diverse research issues. SYMROLIC 2024 will also witness the Inauguration of lab The SCLL & J Lab by Prof. Dr. Indrajit Dube, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Meghalaya on 3<sup>rd</sup> May,

2024. The SCLL & J Lab, is modelled upon the theory-praxis-action approach of SCALSAR to decode the relationships between law, justice, and culture. It aims to bridge the gap between law and everyday life. It explores the law and language connections to culture by doing a cultural mapping of conflict setting in post conflict justice and restorative justice setting. Additionally, the lab is created for decoding cultural influences in conflict and mediation, identifying cognitive biases and heuristics shaping policy and legal decisions. The Research activities here, will extend to national and international levels, in conflict and post-conflict setting such as EU and other legal and policy approaches to tangible and intangible cultural heritage in conflicts and crises. Overall, the lab seeks to enrich law and justice frameworks, ultimately contributing to peace and development agendas.

The conference acts as a catalyst for fostering inclusive economies and resilient societies, which aligns with the ideas and objectives of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on climate change, making SYMROLIC a unique event in India, attracting participants from around the world.

