



**International Conference**  
**on**  
***Sustainable Development Goals and the Role of Business***

Indian Law Institute, Bhagwan Das Road, New Delhi

Saturday, 8 July 2017

**PROGRAMME**

9:30am-10:00am – Registration

**10:00am-11:00am – INAUGURAL SESSION**

11:00am-11:30am – Tea

**11:30am-1:00pm – SESSION I: *Embedding Human Rights into Sustainable Development Goals***

Chair: **Professor Manoj Kumar Sinha**, Professor and Director, Indian Law Institute

- 1) **Surya Deva**, Associate Professor, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong; Chairperson, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights

*The Business of SDGs and Human Rights: Challenges, Opportunities and the Way Forward*

- 2) **Namit Agarwal**, Lead Specialist – Private Sector Engagement, Oxfam India

*Raising the Bar: Rethinking the Role of Businesses in SDGs*

- 3) **Aayush Raj**, Research Associate, Confederation of Indian Industry Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development

*Promoting Responsible and Ethical Business Behaviour to Foster Sustainable Development Goals*

- 4) **Leïla Choukroune**, Director, Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities (CSH), New Delhi

*International Human Rights, SDGs and Investor State Dispute Settlement: Global Litigation as International Law Re-unifier*

**Questions/Comments**

1:00pm-2:00pm – Lunch

**2:00pm-3:30pm – SESSION II: Sustainable Development Goals – Indian Regulatory Framework and Challenges**

Chair: **Leila Choukroune**, Director, Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities (CSH), New Delhi

- 1) **Jyotika Bahl**, PhD Scholar, University of Delhi

*Regulating CSR activities: An analysis of Companies Act 2013*

- 2) **Monica Vincent**, Founder of Vincents Law Firm; Advocate, Madras High Court and Madurai Bench

*Empowering Children as Equal Stakeholders: Strategy and Way Forward*

- 3) **Muzaffar Hussain Mir**, PhD Candidate; UGC Junior Research Fellow, Faculty of Law, Jamia Millia Islamia

*Right to Inclusive and Quality Education of Muslim Children in India: A Quagmire of Identity, Security and Exclusion*

- 4) **Sharad Kumar Jhunjhunwala**, Assistant Director, ICSI

*Casual Labour in Corporate Sector and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights to implement SDGs: An analysis*

**Questions/Comments**

3:30pm-4:00pm – Tea

**4:00pm-5:30pm – SESSION III: Selected Cross-cutting Issues**

Chair: **Surya Deva**, Associate Professor, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong

- 1) **Jernej Letnar Čerňič**, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Government and European Studies, Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia

*Corporate Obligations under the Human Right to Water*

- 2) **Harpreet Kaur**, Deputy Director at Genpact Centre for Women's Leadership (GCWL) at Ashoka University

*Gender Equality: SDG 5 and Beyond*

- 3) **Surabhi Gupta** and **SK Tapasvi**, Research Scholar, Management Development Institute, Gurgaon; Professor, Management Development Institute, Gurgaon

*Legal and Regulatory Issues in Effective Public-Private Partnership Governance in India*

4) **Tushar Ved Saxena** and **Ashutosh Tripathi**, Assistant Professors, Amity Law School Noida

*Tribal Rights: An Instrument to Bridge the Divide Between Development and Social Justice*

**Questions/Comments**