



# THE SUMMIT SNAPSHOT

12th Government Law College International Law Summit, 2021

STUDENTS FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (SPIL), MUMBAI



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## INTERNATIONAL LAW SUMMIT 2022

25TH—27TH MARCH 2022

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### An Overview

The 12th Government Law College International Law Summit, organised by the Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL), Mumbai was held from 25th march to 27th march 2022. The summit consisted of a Panel Discussion, unveiling of the SPIL of International Law Journal' (ILJ), Volume II, along with the Judgement Deliberation Competition (JDC), which was conceived within the portals of our institution. The theme for the 12th Government Law College International Law Summit, 2022 was 'International Intellectual Property Rights', a legal area that has become quite relevant in light of recent geopolitical events. This was chosen as the theme of the International Law Summit, which was sponsored by Wolters Kluwer and Lawctopus Law School as the Knowledge Partners, while acknowledging the scope of improvement and the growing importance of this field of law that has developed over the years in an international sphere. Numerous groups of the intelligentsia, including legal experts, experts in education, professionals, and students from around the world, paid attention to the Summit and declared it a great success. The Summit of 2022 was a resounding success and attracted attention from a wide range of legal professionals and intellectuals from around the nation and the globe.

The *first day* of the 12th Government Law College International Law Summit, 2022, commenced in a grand fashion by the sheer stature and the august presence of the esteemed guests presiding over the event, among other eminent personalities. Prof. Dr Asmita Vaidya, Principal of the Government Law College, Mumbai, gave all the guests and participants a heart-warming welcome address. This was followed by the preliminary rounds of the Judgement Deliberation Competition, which saw twelve teams from law colleges throughout the country qualifying for the Quarter Finals. The day was finally brought to an end by the President of SPIL Mumbai, Yash Layazawala, through his Vote of Thanks dedicated to all those who made the materialisation of the Summit possible.

The *second day* entailed the *Quarter Final* rounds of the Judgement Deliberation Competition (JDC). A total of twelve teams qualified for the Quarter-Final rounds after two rigorous preliminary rounds.

The teams were:

1. Symbiosis Law School, Pune
2. Institute of Law, Nirma University
3. MNLU, Mumbai
4. MNLU, Nagpur
5. ILS Law College, Pune
6. SVKM's Pravin Gandhi College of Law, Mumbai
7. Institute of Law, Nirma University
8. MNLU, Mumbai
9. UPES Dehradun
10. Manipal University Jaipur
11. RMLNLU, Lucknow
12. KC Law College

The *Semi-Final* rounds of the JDC were judged by Jessica Sahni, Senior Partner at Remfry and Sagar; Nimisha Agarwal, Associate at K&S Partners; Deeksha Anand, Partner at Sujata Chaudhri IP Attorneys; Shrabani Rout, Senior Associate at Remfry & Sagar; Kirti Balasubramaniam, Counsel at Trilegal; Niyati Davawala, Intellectual Property Attorney at W S Kane & Co.

A total of nine teams qualified for the *Semi-Final* rounds.

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On the *third day* of the Summit entailed the *Final rounds* of the Judgement Deliberation Competition.

The final round of deliberation was presided over by:

- Prof. Debmita Mondal, the drafter of JDC Module and an assistant professor at Hidayatullah National Law University, Raipur.
- Ms. Priyanka Khimani, Founder of Khimani and Associates.
- Prof. Kishu Daswani, professor at GLC, Mumbai. He is a Global Peace Index Ambassador and has conducted several workshops with national and international participants on Peace and Conflict Resolution.

Intensive deliberation by the teams and fierce questioning by our judges finally resulted Parth Sharma and Rohan Phadke, MNLU Mumbai, emerging as the winners of the Judgement Deliberation Competition, followed by Kashish Singhal and Aditi Arvind Thombre, Indian Law Society's Law College, Pune in securing the Runner-Up position. The best-written judgement was by Pancham Prabhune and Harshit Singh, Institute of Law, Nirma University, Gujrat. After the rounds, as the scores were tallied, the judges gave insightful feedback praising the detailed research of all the participants and the high level of the competition. The competition successfully achieved its objective of broadening perspectives and encouraging rational discourse.



# Panel Discussion



The apotheosis of the day was the highly engrossing SPIL organized a Panel Discussion post the Summit on 3rd April, 2022. The topic for discussion was “*Has the recent Pandemic changed the longstanding views on: Monopoly vs. Public Welfare in International IP Law?*”. The event examined the current state of the IP Laws in India (as a representative of a developing nation) vs. the IP Laws of a developed nation via a series of detailed questions, and further look into the revised arguments which would ensure the best course of action considering the recent pandemic. The Panel discussion witnessed an engaging exchange of viewpoints on India's stance on the issue of International Intellectual Property Laws.

The highly engrossing discussion was featured by our illustrious panellists –

- Ms. Ragini Shah, an Indian Patent Lawyer and Partner at ANM Global Inc.
- Ms. Laurence Loumers, European and French Patent Attorney at Plasseraud IP.

The panel discussion witnessed an engaging exchange of viewpoints on India's stance on International Intellectual Property Rights. The goal was to facilitate a dialogue between academics and policy practitioners that would be of great interest and considerable use to the international cast of scholars and decision-makers.

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She is an Indian Patent lawyer with an experience of 10 years in the field. Her distinctive and special background in bio-chemistry and pure chemistry, unified with her experience of a decade in the field of Intellectual Property Law contributes greatly to her professional approach to matters. Ms. Shah has worked with a US-based law firm as a Junior Partner for over 2 and a half years. She has also advised and assisted clients in India, the European Union, the US, and Japan on various IP issues such as international filing strategies, transactions, and fast track applications.

She has worked on IP portfolios and specialized assignments for a wide range of clients including Invista Technologies, Takeda, Mitsubishi, Visa Powertech Pvt. Ltd, Deepak Nitrite Ltd, etc. Furthermore, Ms. Shah has advised the Indian Patent Office on drafting National Pharmaceutical Guidelines, 2014 to bring about changes to the outdated patent regulations. In addition to her corporate presence, Ms. Shah is rigorously involved in mentoring budding minds in the legal field by acting as a Mentor at AIC MIT, i-Hub Gujarat and as an Honorary Lecturer and Advisory Board Member to the E-Cell at St. Xavier's College Mumbai, Autonomous.

Throughout her career she has been awarded many accolades including the:

- 1) Top Individual lawyer by India Forbes in Legal Power list 2021
- 2) Rising Star of 2022 by ALB
- 3) India's Future Legal Leaders 2022 by India Business Law Journal (IBLJ)

She has also been Featured as one of the

- 1) top 10 women in IP by Women Entrepreneur Magazine.
- 2) Top IP lawyers 2020-2021 by Asian Legal Business  
and
- 3) Top 30 disputes lawyers by Asian Legal Business



## Panel Discussion



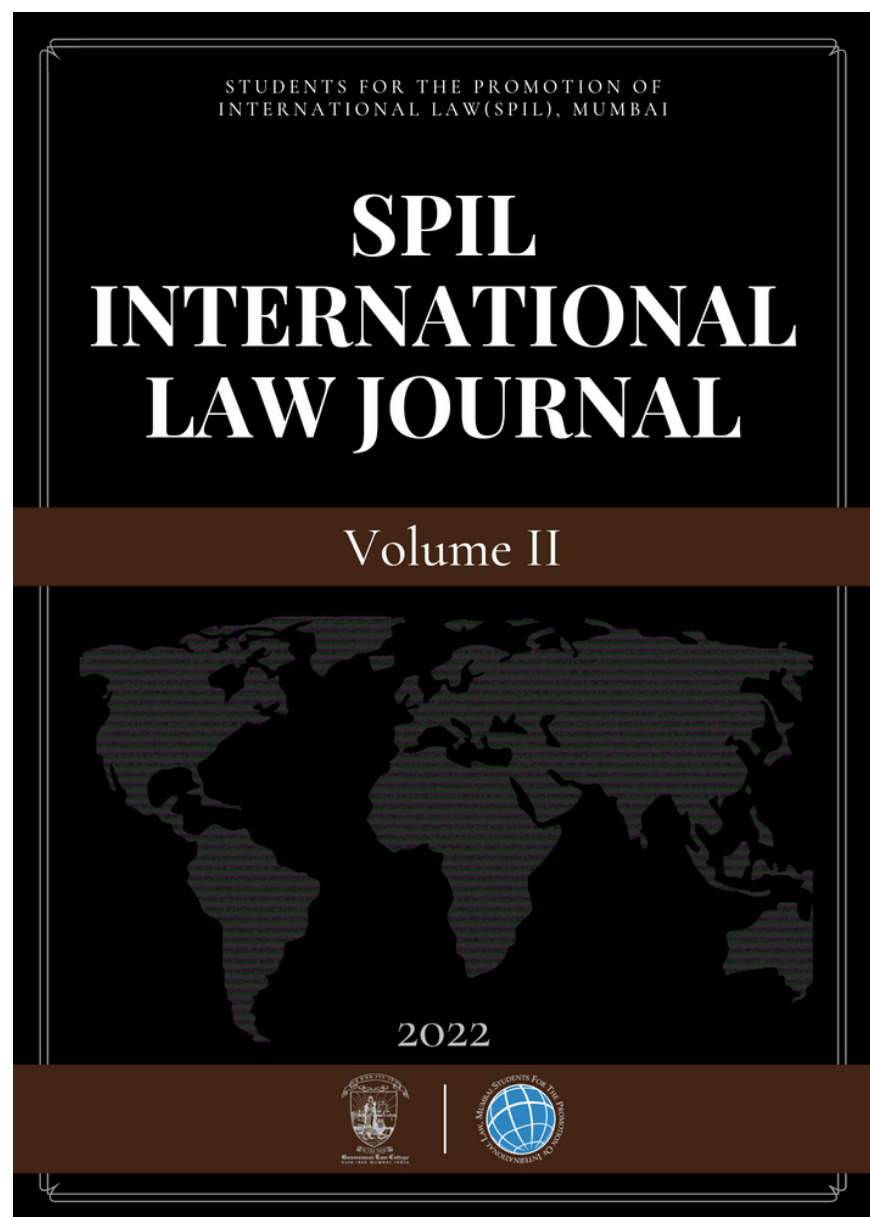
With a doctorate in Aeronautics from Caltech and a Master of Laws from Berkeley, Ms. Loumes is a Paris based patent attorney focusing on mechanical engineering matters. She partakes in drafting, prosecution and litigation of applications and patents on technologies ranging from industrial, aeronautics and consumer appliances to medical devices. She has advised clients concerning the freedom to operate, validity, patent infringement, and providing a global patent portfolio strategy.

Ms. Loumes is Qualified to the patent bars of Europe (EPO), US (USPTO), France (INPI) & Canada (CIPO) and had spent 14 years in the US and Canada, as a registered US and Canadian agent, before returning to Europe, thereby providing her with a unique view of the North American and European patent systems.

During her doctorate, which focused on fluids mechanics, she developed a novel heart pump model inspired by the embryonic heart. Similarly, Ms. Loumes has authored a PhD. Thesis at California Institute of Technology, on “Multilayer Impedance Pump: a bio-inspired valveless pump with medical applications” in the year 2006. She has also authored other computational work on “Resonant pumping in a multilayer impedance pump”, “Numerical investigation of the fluid and structure dynamics in models of impedance pump”, and “Computational investigation of a multilayer impedance pump to serve as an Intra-Aortic pump”.

# International Law Journal

Students for the Promotion of International Law (SPIL) Mumbai, unveiled the SPIL International Law Journal, Volume II on 13th June, 2022. The journal features academic articles, essays and legislative commentaries addressing developments in public and private international law and foreign relations law



The editorial board consisted of -

- Prof. Raabia Shams, Assistant Professor at Jindal Global Law School.
- Mr. Sudhir Verma, Doctoral Scholar at Jawaharlal Nehru University and assistant professor at Symbiosis Law School, Noida.

The Editorial Board has been instrumental in conducting a meticulous and an extensive editorial process. The success of the journal also reverberates with the dedication and prowess that has been exhibited by all authors who poured in their notable submissions this year.

With the unveiling of the Journal, SPIL Mumbai hopes to further promote as an area of enquiry and study far beyond the realms of classrooms.

The end of the day witnessed a Valedictory Ceremony where Prof. Kishu Daswani felicitated the winners of the Judgement Deliberation Competition, and the esteemed panellists were given a vote of thanks.

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