



**Alternative Dispute Resolution Board
Hamdard Institute of Legal Studies & Research
Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi**

organises

HILSR INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE 2025

Theme:
**THE EMERGING TRENDS IN
INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION**

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ABOUT JAMIA HAMDARD

Jamia Hamdard (JH) emerged as a beacon of educational excellence with its inauguration on August 1, 1989, by the former Prime Minister of India, Shri Rajiv Gandhi. In a stirring inaugural address, Shri Rajiv Gandhi praised the visionary efforts of Hakeem Abdul Hameed Saheb, the Founder of the institution. Hakeem Abdul Hameed Saheb's foresight led to the establishment of a diverse range of educational institutions, ultimately amalgamated to form the esteemed "Deemed to be University" known as Jamia Hamdard.

Over the course of the last 31 years, Jamia Hamdard has demonstrated consistent progress, earning both national and international recognition for its unwavering commitment to high-quality teaching and research. This recognition is substantiated by government rankings, accreditation processes, and the university's outstanding achievements, including exceptional placement records, rigorous research activities, prolific publications, and the generation of valuable patents. Jamia Hamdard stands as a testament to the enduring legacy of Hakeem Abdul Hameed Saheb and remains dedicated to advancing education and research on both the national and global stages.



ABOUT HILSR

Established in 2018 under the umbrella of Jamia Hamdard, the Hamdard Institute of Legal Studies and Research (HILSR) has swiftly become a prominent player in legal education. This specialized department was granted approval by the Bar Council of India (BCI) to impart comprehensive legal knowledge and skills. HILSR is committed to cultivating exceptional legal professionals equipped for diverse roles in the Bar, Bench, and legal academia. The department currently offers a comprehensive range of programs, including a five-year Integrated B.A.LL.B. program, an LLM program featuring specializations in Constitutional Law and Commercial Law, and a Ph.D. program in Law. The department emphasizes a well-rounded educational experience, inviting distinguished judges and lawyers as regular guests to share practical insights into the functioning of legal institutions. This approach ensures that students not only receive theoretical knowledge but also gain valuable perspectives from seasoned professionals, enhancing their understanding of the complexities of the legal landscape. With its commitment to excellence and a holistic educational approach, HILSR has quickly emerged as a premier institution for legal studies in the national capital, contributing significantly to the development of competent legal professionals.



ABOUT ADR BOARD

The commitment to Alternative Dispute Resolution on the HILSR Campus gave birth to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Board. The HILSR ADR Board was constituted as an extended arm of the Academic committee to promote interest in ADR methods given its current relevance to the legal profession. The Board was established in 2022 as an initiative to develop a culture of ADR in HILSR that enables skill development and helps us compete at the national and international level. The Board wishes to bring a positive change in the view of society regarding disputes/disagreements not as something negative but as an opportunity. The Board was inaugurated by eminent legal personalities including Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.L. Mehta, Former judge, High Court of Delhi & Chairman of Delhi Dispute Redressal Society (DDRS) and Mr. Tariq Khan, Esteemed Registrar of the International Arbitration & Mediation Centre (IAMC) and Ms. Iram Majid, the Executive Director of Asia Pacific Centre for Arbitration & Mediation (APCAM).



ABOUT FIRST EDITION OF CONCORDIA

The National ADR Fest: CONCORDIA 2023 at Jamia Hamdard spanned three days of legal discourse. It began with an Inaugural Ceremony and the foundation stone laying of a new Law School Building on March 17th. The National Debate Competition & the Cultural fest with concert on March 18th and the National Client Counselling Competition on March 19th provided platforms for aspiring legal professionals.

Honourable Ms. Justice Hima Kohli and Honourable Mr. Justice Deepak Gupta, under the patronage of Honourable Chancellor Janab Hammad Ahmed and Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. (M) Afshar Alam, inaugurated the event. Prof. (Dr.) Saleena K. Basheer, the Dean of the School of Law, and Ms Naazish Fatima, Faculty Convener of ADR Board, played a pivotal role. The National Client Counselling Competition emphasized problem-solving skills and The Valedictory Ceremony on the evening of March 19th, attended by esteemed guests, marked the festival's closure.

In essence, CONCORDIA 2023 celebrated legal discussions, showcasing collaboration among faculty, student organizers, and aspiring legal professionals from prestigious universities across the nation. The event's success highlighted a commitment to intellectual growth in the legal community.



ABOUT INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE

The International Conference on Emerging Trends in International Arbitration promises to be a comprehensive exploration of the evolving landscape of dispute resolution on a global scale. The conference will commence with an insightful introduction, setting the stage for an in-depth discussion of the key themes shaping the field. The first session will delve into the technological advancements influencing international arbitration, including the rise of technology and the integration of block chain and smart contracts. Following this, the conference will shift focus to the imperative of diversity and inclusion within the arbitration sphere.

The agenda will then pivot to the intersection of arbitration and technology, shedding light on the field's role in addressing international concerns. A dedicated session will explore the changing dynamics of dispute funding, with a specific focus on third-party funding and its impact on investor-state disputes. Procedural innovations and efficiency will take centre stage in the subsequent session, discussing emergency arbitrators, expedited procedures, and the customization of arbitration clauses.

The conference will also offer a critical examination of ongoing reforms in investor-state dispute settlement, analysing challenges, proposed solutions, and their implications. Legal and ethical considerations, including the use of soft law and guidelines, as well as data protection and cybersecurity, will be explored in a dedicated session. The conference will culminate in a forward-looking session, engaging participants in an open forum discussion on future trends and identifying opportunities for collaboration and research. In the closing remarks, the organizers will recap key insights, express gratitude, and extend invitations for continued engagement in shaping the future of international arbitration.

The Board is pleased to announce the forthcoming International Conference on “**THE EMERGING TRENDS IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.**” This distinguished event aspires to unite experts in law and alternative dispute resolution, scholars, professionals, and students (encompassing law, management, and other interdisciplinary fields aligned with the conference themes), alongside policymakers from around the world.

The core objective behind orchestrating this conference is to cultivate intellectual exchange, disseminate knowledge, and champion interdisciplinary research in the field of International Arbitration. With a dedicated focus on contemporary issues, emerging trends, and innovative practices within the International Arbitration domain, the conference endeavours to furnish a dynamic platform for insightful discussions, and networking opportunities for participants. The comprehensive conference program includes keynote speeches, panel discussions, research paper presentations, and interactive sessions, providing a rich tapestry for participants to glean valuable insights and actively contribute to the advancement of International Arbitration.

1. KEY THEMES

This Board is pleased to announce the Call for Research Papers for the International Conference on International Arbitration, to be held on 22nd February, 2025. This prestigious conference aims to bring together scholars, practitioners, students, and policymakers from around the world to explore and discuss various themes related to international Arbitration. We invite researchers, academicians, legal professionals, and students (law, management & other interdisciplinary field consistent with the themes of the conference) to submit original research papers that address contemporary issues, emerging trends, and challenges in Dispute Resolution and Conflict Resolution. We particularly encourage submissions that contribute to the intellectual discourse in the following areas (but not limited to):

- **Investment Arbitration**
- **Cross Border and Commercial Disputes**
- **Technology, Artificial Intelligence, and Intellectual Property**
- **Projects, Infrastructure and Construction**
- **ESG and Climate Change**
- **Sports Law and Arbitration**

Note: The above themes are completely exhaustive. However, authors have the flexibility to select any sub-theme that aligns with the primary themes of the conference.

2. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

2.1 ADRB invites submissions from domestic as well as international participants for the purpose of the paper presentation.

2.2 Co-authorship of a maximum of two people is allowed.

2.3 The manuscripts shall be written in English language only.

2.4 Papers submitted on or before the deadline will only be considered.

2.5 The decision of the selection committee on the acceptance and rejection of the research paper shall be final.

2.6 ADRB reserves the right to disqualify a participant or not to give the award.

2.7 The decision of the Organizing Committee will be final in case of a dispute.

2.8 Top 5 selected papers will be published in reputed journals, including UGC Care. We shall also be providing Certificate of Merit to the best 3 (three) papers along with mementos and certificate/e- certificate will be provided to every participant.

3. ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

3.1 Authors should submit an abstract with a word limit of 300 words, accompanied by 5 keywords.

3.2 The acceptance of abstract will be communicated by 17th January 2025

3.3 The last date for the submission of the Abstract is **January 15, 2025.**

4. RESEARCH PAPER SUBMISSION

4.1 The word range for the final manuscript, exclusive of the abstract and footnotes, is between 2000 to 3000 words.

4.2 ADRB encourages analytical and well-researched manuscripts with logical and practical solutions to the issues highlighted.

4.3 The mode of citation to be adhered to is the 20th Harvard Bluebook. Any form of plagiarism of more than 10% will lead to automatic disqualification as a participant.

4.4 AI-based content is also discouraged.

4.5 Formatting:

- **Font:** Times New Roman Font size
- **Titles:** 14; Sub-titles: 12
- **Body of the Submission:** Times New Roman, Font Size 12, 1.5 Line Spacing, Justified Alignment and 1-inch margins on each side.
- **Footnotes:** Times New Roman, Font Size 10; Line - 1 and justified alignment

4.6 The author(s) shall submit an unpublished and original work and shall refrain from submitting the manuscript elsewhere during the pendency of the review process.

4.7 The last date for the submission of Research Paper is **February 09, 2025.**

5. SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Authors are hereby requested to comply with the following procedure:

5.1 All abstracts and final manuscripts shall be submitted in MS Word format (DOC or DOCX). The file of the abstract/final manuscript shall be saved using this format:

“iac2025abstract-your First Name Your Last Name.docx”

(for example, iac2025abstract-abcd.docx)/(iac2025finalmanuscript-abc.docx)

5.2 All submissions shall be sent to iacadrb2025@gmail.com(in doc or .docx format).

5.3 The subject of the email shall be as follows:

“Submission for, IAC2025, Name Of The Author(S) and Title Of Submission”

5.4 The submission should be accompanied by a covering email which includes the following details:

- **Name of the Author / Authors**
- **Contact Details**
- **Designation, and Year of Study (if Authors are Student)**
- **Name of the Institution/Institutional Affiliation**

5.5 Once the acceptance of abstract has been intimated, the payment details will be sent to you before the submission of final paper.

5.6 Participants whose abstracts get selected have to present their papers on the day of the conference (22nd February 2024) the presentation should not exceed 10 minutes.

It is mandatory for the Indian participants to present their paper in offline mode. International participants will be allowed to present their papers in online mode.

6. REGISTRATION FEES

	Without Accommodation	With Food & Accommodation
Student	INR (₹) 999	INR (₹) 1,999
Co-Authors	INR (₹) 599 each	INR (₹) 2,199
Research Scholar	INR (₹) 1499	INR (₹) 2,499
Academicians	INR (₹) 1,899	INR (₹) 2,799
International Participants	USD (\$) 59	USD (\$) 79

7. MODE OF PAYMENT

7.1 The Payment must be paid via Online Bank transfer to the following account:

- **Account Name:** JAMIA HAMDARD SPONSORSHIP EVENT
- **Account Number:** 0915010100000010
- **Bank Name:** J&K BANK
- **IFSC Code:** JAKA0JAMIAH (the fifth digit is number zero)
- **Branch:** Okhla Industrial Area, Phase-II, New Delhi-110020

7.2 The registration fees shall not be refunded under any circumstances.

8. AWARD & RECOGNITION

The Best Paper from each session will be recognized and awarded a memento and certificate.

9. ACCOMMODATION

9.1 Accommodation will be provided to the participants by organizers only during the days of the conference.

9.2 The accommodation will start from **February 22, 2025** from **08:00 AM** onwards to **February 23, 2025** till **9:00 AM** only.

9.3 However, the organizing committee may make further modifications to accommodation plan, and the same shall be communicated to the participants in due course. In case of emergencies or urgency, accommodation may be granted from **February 21, 2025** from **6:00 P.M.**, subject to additional charges).

10. CONFERENCE TIMELINE

Submission of Abstract	January 15, 2025
Intimation of Acceptance	January 17, 2025
Submission of Research Paper	February 09, 2025
HILSR International Arbitration Conference	February 22, 2025

11. MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 Nothing in these Rules & procedure shall prejudice any right which any Participant would have had before the enactment of this Rules & Procedure.

11.2 The Organizing Committee or the Institute shall not be held responsible for any actions of the Participants before or during the Competition, which are violative under the present Rules & Procedure.

12. CONTACT INFORMATION

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