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**The Road ahead in Data Protection: National
and International Perspectives**

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INVITATION BROCHURE

ABOUT UNIVERSITY

The University of Petroleum and Energy Studies (UPES) was established in the year 2003 through the UPES Act, 2003, of the State Legislature of Uttarakhand. UPES has always moved ahead with an ambitious vision of nurturing graduates and postgraduates who have holistic understanding of the subjects as well as who are industry ready. Through such educational ethics, UPES endeavors to be the “Nation Builders University” by forging professionals who can contribute in the progress of the nation.

UPES has grown phenomenally since its inception. We believe that this has been made possible because it assiduously incorporates new and contemporary domain specific programs at regular intervals. By doing so, it has become a steady choice of students and corporates in energy as well as several other sectors.

The College of Legal Studies at UPES offers various specialized law courses. These specialized courses include Energy Laws, Corporate Laws, Cyber Laws, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), Taxation Laws and several others. These courses give the graduates the edge needed in the industry for taking up challenging and skill oriented tasks in the legal profession right from the start.

Law has closely followed technology, just like any dimension of human community that affects it, since its very inception. There is an urgent need of technological as well as legal understanding across all domains of this fusion, be it law making, policy framing, judicial matters or even technology development. However, the pace at which technology is evolving is much faster than that at which law is able to evolve under the rigours of the contemporary legal systems. The extent of legal framework that is needed to be created by the legal system has not been achieved optimally yet. This is one of the major inspirations for UPES to institute this conference on one of the contemporary aspects of law and technology.

CONTEXT

In the 21st century, a nation state's advancement is catalyzed through its knowledge economy, which is driven by the creative proficiencies and advantage of its innovation. Data Protection refers chiefly to the set of privacy laws, policies and procedures that aim to minimize intrusion into one's privacy caused by the collection, storage and dissemination of personal data, in addition to protection of data as property and sometimes even as a tool of commercial, social and political stimulus. Personal data generally refers to the information or data that relates to a person who can be identified from that information or data whether collected by government or any private organization.

Although it is only slowly becoming clear to the average populace, most governments and corporations have realized that data is without doubt the most valuable commodity (if it may be so called) today. Never before in the history of humankind, have we been able to infiltrate so fast, deeply, quickly and cheaply into the ocean of knowledge concerning all aspects of humanity and churn out meaningful information from it. This has been made possible because of disruptive technologies over the past more than two decades. The center of this 'black swan' phenomenon has been one thing - Data.

This creates a host of issues in the legal sphere which is true not only for India but for the entire world. Although most of the tech giants benefit greatly out of their consumer base in India, their cooperation with law enforcement and stand on data protection is unclear. At the same time, exponential rise in ransomware and enormous data theft cases can also be seen. It also brings to the fore the age old issue concerning a deeply amorphous concept of the Right to Privacy and its Constitutional status. However, with the proliferating use of the internet and the exorbitant rise in transfer of data through multiple technologies, the concepts of 'data privacy' and 'data protection' have started demanding greater attention than ever before. These and several other issues, are in urgent need of attention. Techno-legal solutions to these aspects and faster implementation are urgently needed.

PURPOSE

This conference is an endeavor to invite views from cross section of the stakeholders on the pressing issue of data protection and its various aspects and while learning from the labyrinth of purported conclusions reached in the recent past by courts, regulators, technocrats and commentators on these issues, churn out a few testable hypothesis or notions for their resolution going ahead.

VENUE

The conference is going to be held in College of Legal Studies, UPES, at Knowledge Acres (Kandoli) in the city of Dehradun. Kandoli is located in Sahaspur Tehsil in Dehradun District of Uttarakhand State, India. It is 16 Km from the Dehradun Railway Station, 20 Km from Dehradun Inter-State Bus Terminus (ISBT) and 40 Km from Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun. Kandoli has preserved its serenity because it is free of the ills of urbanization and is absolutely pollution free. Some notable attractions around Kandoli are availability of stream water, widespread forest area, and cohabitation of natives with wildlife.

PARTICIPANTS

In this conference, academicians, professionals, practitioners, scholars, students, academic bodies, government bodies, civil society organizations from both legal and technical sides etc. are encouraged to participate.

THEMES AND SUB THEMES

This edition of the conference is focused on “The Road ahead in Data Protection: National and International Perspectives”.

Proposed themes and sub-themes:

1. Theme 1 – Data Privacy

- i. General Data Protection Regulation and possible ramifications in India
- ii. Data Privacy and its Constitutional Safeguards
- iii. Commercial Value of User Behavioral Data
- iv. Data Privacy and e-Governance
- v. Data Privacy in Banking and Financial Services in India(e-Banking)
- vi. Data Privacy in backdrop of the Aadhar Mandate
- vii. Data Privacy and National Security

2. Theme 2 – Data Protection: Non-IP perspectives

- i. Data security obligation
- ii. Data Protection and Tort Law
- iii. Data Protection and Contractual aspects
- iv. Data Protection and scope of Criminal Laws
- v. Information Technology (Reasonable security practices and procedures and sensitive personal data or information) Rules, 2011

3. Theme 3 – Data Protection: IP perspectives

- i. Challenges thrown up by new technology
- ii. Data as Intellectual Property
- iii. Data Protection: Sui generis approaches
- iv. Data Protection and Trade Secrets
- v. The Right to be forgotten

These are suggestive sub-themes; papers on any other topic related to the conference theme are also invited. Participants are encouraged to contribute keeping in perspective the legal and technical challenges that everyday technological advancements are posing.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstract

- All abstracts must be submitted by filling up the registration form available at <https://goo.gl/t3SsPI>
- The abstracts will be reviewed by our committee and only the selected participants will be allowed to submit the full paper.
- The abstract shall not be more than 300 words.
- Include up to 6 keywords or phrases.

Full Paper

- All submitted papers will be peer reviewed. The mode of submitting the final paper will be informed to the selected participants via e-mail.
- The full paper shall be in English only.
- The preferred length of the paper is 4000 words (including footnotes) with maximum going up to 6000 words.
- Page size should be A4, in a single column format with 2.5 cm margin on both sides and single line spacing.
- Pages should be numbered on the top right hand side. Do not mention page numbers in your text as these may change.
- Figures and tables should be placed as close to their reference point in the text as possible. All figures and tables must be numbered, have titles and must be referenced from within the text.
- Follow a uniform style of citation throughout the paper.
- Participants are required to submit the full paper in the MS Word format and no other.
- Selected papers would be published in "UPES Journal of Law and Technology".

Presentation

- All the abstracts that have been selected shall be eligible for presentation at the conference.
- Web presentations are also allowed.

Note: Before submitting the full paper, participants should ensure that their registration is complete. Registration process will require the participants to register and pay the fee at <https://goo.gl/36TOzE>. They are then required to send details of the transaction reference to iclt.upes@gmail.com to receive their registration number which would be required while submitting the full paper.

PAYMENT DETAILS*

1. Paper presentation[†]

- Indian Delegates – INR 3000
- Foreign Delegates – USD 50
- Paper presentation (UPES Students) – INR 1000

2. Attendees – INR 500[‡]

* All payments are inclusive of 15% service tax

† Fee covers Conference Kit, Lunch, High Tea, Accommodation (limited accommodation available on first come first serve basis)

‡ Fee includes only Certificate and High Tea



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IMPORTANT DATES

Last Date for Abstract Submission: 1st July, 2017
Confirmation of Abstract: 15th July 2017
Registration Open: 16th July to 15th August 2017
Date for paper submission: 20th July to 20th August 2017
Date of Conference: 1st and 2nd September 2017

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