

### **ABOUT NLUO**

National Law University Odisha (NLUO), Cuttack was established by the Act 4 of 2008 by the Odisha State Legislature and started imparting education in Law from the Academic Year 2009-10. The University was established keeping in mind a clearly enunciated vision of advancement of learning, teaching, research, diffusion of knowledge in the field of law and catering to the needs of society. The University has been continuously working for the betterment of the society through various seminars, conferences, consultancy programmes, etc., and in furtherance of the objectives, has established various centres of excellence to carryout research, training and extension activities and one such being the NLUO Centre for Mediation and Negotiation (CMN).

For further details, click here.

### **ABOUT GAJE**

Since its establishment in 1996, the Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE) has been dedicated to promoting justice through education. GAJE has organized ten Worldwide Conferences on justice education to date, held in various countries including India, South Africa, Poland, Argentina, Philippines, Spain, Turkey, Mexico, and Indonesia. These conferences have provided accessible and affordable platforms for individuals from developing countries to participate and contribute. With delegates from all continents and over 50 countries, these conferences have facilitated cross-national collaborations, educational exchange programs, joint research projects, workshops, and the development of teaching resources. GAJE's commitment to fostering global partnerships and knowledge sharing has resulted in a multitude of initiatives and publications that contribute to justice education worldwide. As the proud sponsor and organizer of this conference, GAJE continues to foster dialogue, collaboration, and innovative approaches to justice education.





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### **ABOUT NLUO CMN**

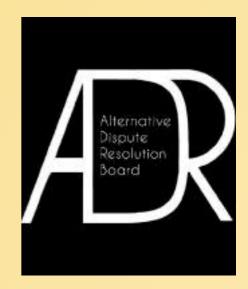
The centre was first established in March 2014, with the primary aim of promoting research and training in the field of negotiation and mediation. The Centre has been reconstituted in 2023 under the guidance of Prof. Ved Kumari, Vice Chancellor, NLUO. It is an indisputable fact that various ADR (Alternative Dispute Resolution) methods are going to be of utmost importance in the near future, and the centre apart from research tries to acquaint students with the working of such various processes, and the centre also plans on organising various events like seminars, training workshops, diploma and certificate courses on ADRs, FDPs, etc. The long-term aim of the centre remains to inculcate in students, the faculty of mediation and negotiation and enhance their communication skills.



For further information, click here.

### ABOUT ADR BOARD

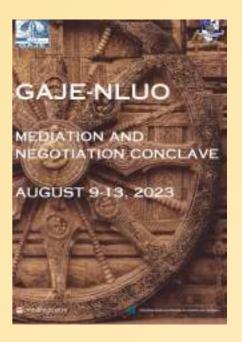
The NLUO Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Board has been established with the objective to increase awareness and promote research in the field of ADR. It strives to generate interest in ADR as an effective means of dispute resolution. The Board has trained students to represent the University in multiple National and International Mediation and Negotiation Competitions, in which the students have performed exceedingly well. The Board also has organized Virtual webinars and panel discussions on International Arbitration. In order to carry forward the objectives of the Board, the Board started the e-Newsletter to catalyse the awareness about alternative dispute resolution and to foster ADR culture with the participation of students in research avenues. The primary objective of the e-Newsletter is to disseminate knowledge relating to the current affairs in the field of ADR. The e-Newsletter intends to include articles and interviews from students, experts, academicians and reputed legal professionals practicing in the field of ADR.



For further information, click here.

### **ABOUT THE EVENT**

Welcome to the NLUO Mediation and Negotiation Conclave, the flagship event of National Law University Odisha (NLUO) in collaboration with the esteemed Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE). Join us on a transformative journey of exploring alternative dispute meticulously designed This resolution. extravaganza offers a platform for knowledge-sharing, skill-building, and intellectual discourse on mediation. Engage in workshops, thought-provoking discussions, and showcase your negotiation prowess in the exhilarating Negotiation Competition. Scholars can present research papers with a chance of publication in the esteemed NLUO ADR e-Newsletter. Experience effective dispute resolution and personal growth as we pave the way for a future that champions collaboration, understanding, and harmonious resolutions. Welcome to the GAJE-NLUO Mediation and Negotiation Conclave, where the path to resolution begins!



## **ABOUT THE RESOURCE PERSONS**

## Prof. Ved Kumari, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO || Certified Professional Mediator

Prof. Ved Kumari is former Dean and Head, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi. She began teaching law in 1983 and has taught graduate and undergraduate courses in the University of Delhi, Jammu University in India, and Vanderbilt University (USA), supervised LL.M. dissertations and Ph.D. theses. She has written many books and innumerable articles in national and international journals. Prof. Ved Kumari's areas of primary academic interest are juvenile justice, criminal law, gender discrimination, clinical education, judicial training. She introduced an innovative full semester course in University of Delhi as part of Course Work for research scholars on 'Andragogy – the Art of Teaching Adults' aimed at training the future law teachers in the adult teaching methods and improving learning of students. She has conducted and participated in many national and international train-the-trainer workshops on a range of subjects like teaching methods, evaluation, teaching ethics, mainstreaming gender, etc. Prof. Ved is the Fellow of Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute, Canada (2010); Commonwealth Fellow at Warwick University, UK (1998); and Fulbright Fellow at Vanderbilt University, USA (1997). She spent one year in Russia doing research on the Law and Advocacy in Relation to Children in Russia as part of her sabbatical leave in 2005. Presently, Prof. Ved is the Vice-Chancellor of the National Law University Odisha and, the founder of NLUO Mediation Cell. She is a firm believer of ADR and, a trained Mediator. She also heads Project KUTUMB, an initiative of NLUO, which has the primary objective of betterment of village children vis-à-vis education, health and well-being.



# Ms. Pauline Mckay, Mediation Co-ordinator and Lead Mediator, Law School, University of Strathclyde Mediation Clinic, Scotland, UK

Pauline has 30+ years of administration experience within University of Strathclyde. She has worked in various roles, Departments and Faculties that have provided the opportunity to work across many subjects. She has worked in the Law School for 12 years and was previously the Administrator as well as the Housing Mediation Development Project Worker. She currently manages 50+ mediators through the Clinic as Coordinator. She has been a mediator for 4 years, initially training in Community Mediation with the Scottish Community Mediation Centre; and completed the Postgraduate Certificate in Mediation and Conflict Resolution at University of Strathclyde. Alongside mediating for the Clinic, Pauline also volunteers for Lothian & Borders Mediation Service as well as Restorative Solutions Ltd.



# Prof. (Dr.) Sunanda Bharti, Professor of Law, Law Centre-I, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi || Certified Professional Mediator

Prof. (Dr.) Sunanda Bharti has a rich experience of teaching at Law Centre-I, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi for the past 18 years (year of entering this data is June 2023). She has a number of published works to her credit on various aspects of Intellectual Property Laws, Jurisprudence, Mediation and contemporary socio legal issues of relevance. Prof. Sunanda has been a Trainer of Trainers for many Faculty Developemnt Programmes (FDPs) on Teaching Skills and Research Methodologies. Against nomination by the Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi, she represented the DU, Law Faculty in the 'Third and Final Law Teachers Training Programme 2006-07, at Cardiff, Wales, UK (February 21- March 23 2007). She is presently doing an International Project -RISHII (Resources for Internationalization of Higher Education Institutions in India) funded by the European Commission under the ERASMUS Scheme. Prof. (Dr.) Sunanda is also a Certified Professional Mediator from Indian Institute of Arbitration and Mediation (IIAM). She has a number of trainings, drafting of negotiation and mediation problems, judging of negotiation and mediation competitions to her credit.



## Prof. (Mrs.) Alok Sharma, Professor of Law, Law Centre-I, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi

Prof. (Mrs.) Alok Sharma has 18 years of teaching experience within Faculty of Law, University of Delhi. Her research work primarily focuses on Criminal laws, Women issues and Clinical Legal Education. The fact that Prof. Alok has been teaching Alternative Dispute Resolution to the final-year students in the Faculty of Law for the past 8 years demonstrates her expertise in the sector. Additionally, she has delivered many lectures in various institutions, conducted various workshops in this area especially Mediation and been a Coordinator for the Lok Adalat activities for the ADR students. Apart from being the primary author and co-editor of two books, Prof. Alok has also authored more than 30 articles in reputable publications, four short books, three booklets and seven chapters in books, covering topics like Criminal law and Mediation. Further, Prof. Alok has drafted and presented Bill, "The Prevention and Protection of Women from (Publicly Dehumanization and Stigmatization) Atrocities Bill, 2014" for the National Commission for Women, Government of India, India on 28th Feb, 2014. She has successfully completed a Faculty Research Project in Category "A" of 2020-21, Institution of Eminence, University of Delhi entitled "The Efficacy of Protection Officers under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005: An Empirical Study in NCT Delhi," and is presently working on an international project "Resources for Internationalization of Higher Education Institutions in India (RISHII)" funded by the European Commission under the ERASMUS Scheme.



# Akanksha Marwah, Doctoral Candidate, Jamia Millia Islamia || Co-founder, Accords International || Restorative Justice Facilitator || Trained in Mediation

Akanksha Marwah is a dedicated and passionate individual in the field of law and restorative justice. She has been actively engaged as a faculty member at GGSIPU (Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University), Jamia Millia Islamia, and Amity University since 2019, where she imparts her knowledge and skills to aspiring law professionals. Her areas of work are restorative justice, juvenile justice, mediation, air and space law, Constitutional law, criminal law, and cyber law. Akanksha's commitment to alternative dispute resolution led her to receive specialized training as a mediator. She is well-versed in the art of mediation and serves as a learning enhancement specialist and restorative justice circle keeper. Her understanding of principles in these approaches enables her to effectively promote conflict resolution techniques using mediation and restorative justice. She actively works with schools and colleges to promote the benefits of restorative justice and is dedicated to fostering a restorative culture. In addition to her work in India, Akanksha collaborates with the DC Peace Team in the United States, where she contributes to the design of restorative justice trainings. Her international involvement allows her to gain valuable insights and contribute to the advancement of restorative justice practices. Her ultimate goal is to create a more just and compassionate society by advocating for restorative practices in the legal system.



# Upasana Singh, Founder & CEO, Accords International || Certified mediator || Conflict Resolution Professional || RJ facilitator || Assistant Professor, GGSIPU.

Upasana Singh is a conflict resolution professional, certified mediator from the High Court of Delhi, practicing advocate, and learning enhancement specialist. She advises businesses, individuals, and educational institutes on methods of conflict resolution. Her area of work and interest includes restorative justice, conflict resolution, and criminal reform. She is the Founder and CEO of Accords International (AcIn). With AcIn she is dedicated to finding new and innovative techniques of conflict resolution and building a conducive environment for community building. She holds the position of Reviewer with Indian Law Institute Law Review and Executive Editor of DME Journal of Law. She is also a Fellow with Global Policy Insights, a centralist policy institute based in India, the USA, and the UK. Also, she is a member of Insights Collaboration International, an organization dedicated to creating a rigorous and supportive space for theory, method learning, and change in the field of conflict resolution.



### SCHEDULE OF THE EVENT

### Day 1

### **Training Workshop**

9th August 2023 (01:00PM-06:00PM IST) (08:30 AM-01:30PM BST) (Wednesday)

- 1. Opening Ceremony 01:00PM 01:30PM (IST)
- 2. Conflict Management and Negotiation Prof. (Dr.) Sunanda Bharti 01:30PM 02:30PM
- 3. Training session on Active Listening Akanksha Marwah & Upasana Singh 02:45PM 04:45PM
- 4. An Introduction to Mediation Pauline Mckay 05:00PM 06:00PM

Registration form, click here.

#### Day 2

### Seminar on Mediation and Criminal Justice System 10th August 2023 (01:00PM-05:30PM IST) (08:30 AM-01:00PM BST) (Thursday)

- 1. Victim-Offender Mediation Prof. Ved Kumari 01:00 PM 02:15 PM (IST)
- 2. Transforming Justice and Restorative Practices in the Criminal Justice System Akanksha Marwah 02:30 PM 03:45 PM
- 3. Mediation in Quasi-criminal Cases Prof. (Mrs.) Alok Sharma 04:00 PM 05:00 PM
- 4. Valedictory Ceremony 05:00 PM 05:30 PM

Registration form, click here.

#### Day 3

### National Conference on Dispute Resolution Mechanisms

(Paper Presentation) 11th August 2023 (10:30AM-05:00PM IST) (06:00 AM-12:30PM BST) (Friday)

#### Themes -

- 1. Alternative Dispute Resolution
- 2. Importance of Communication in Mediation
- 3. Multi-tiered Arbitration
- 4. International Commercial Mediation
- 5. Mediation in Matrimonial Disputes
- 6. Mediation and Labour Law
- 7. Mediation and IPR Disputes

Eligibility: Any interested researcher, academician, or policymaker from Indian and foreign institutions can submit their paper.

#### Note:

Selected papers will be published in the subsequent editions of the NLUO ADR e-Newsletter.

Registration form, click here.

Day 4 Negotiation Competition (Corporate and commercial disputes) 12th August 2023 (10:00AM-12:45PM IST) (05:30 AM-08:15AM BST) (Saturday)	Opening Ceremony Preliminary round 1 (Distribution of CI) Preliminary round 1 Break Preliminary round 2 (Distribution of CI) Preliminary round 2 For registration, click here.  For further queries, contact ADR BOARI Mail ID: adrboard@nluo.ac.in  POC- +919406927728 (Yashvardhan Mera	
Day 5 Negotiation Competition (Corporate and commercial disputes) 13th August 2023 (10:45AM-01:15PM IST) (06:15AM-08:45AM BST) (Sunday)	Semi-Finals and Finals  Semi-final round (Distribution of CI) Semi-final round Break Final round (Distribution of CI) Final round Valedictory Ceremony  For further queries, contact ADR BOARI Mail ID: adrboard@nluo.ac.in  POC- +919406927728 (Yashvardhan Mera	