

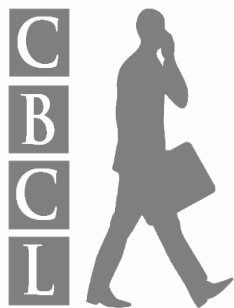


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# THE NLIU-TRILEGAL SUMMIT

## ON MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS 2018

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National Law Institute University, Bhopal

*The Centre for Business and Commercial Laws is a UGC accredited body established in 2008 with the intention of generating corporate awareness and facilitating research. It provides several avenues to the students to explore the realm of business and corporate laws and develop the foundations required to be a successful practitioner in the field.*

The Centre for Business and Commercial Laws of National Law Institute University, Bhopal (NLIU), in collaboration with Trilegal and Cambridge Scholars Publishing, is organizing the third edition of the NLIU-Trilegal Summit on Mergers and Acquisitions (2018 Summit) on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.

The preceding editions of the Summit, held in March, 2016 and February, 2017 respectively, were massive hits, witnessing articles and essays of unparalleled quality and perfection. The aim of the 2018 Summit is to have discussion on niche issues in the area of M&A among participants, panelists and audience. Such a dialogue would help the fraternity in general and the students in particular in understanding the jurisprudence on M&A, it being a considerably new area of practice.

The 2018 Summit invites participation from authors, who are expected to submit either an article or an essay on M&A within the contours of the sub-themes in light of the relevant legal provisions.



## *ABOUT NLIU*

NLIU is one of India's premier law schools. It has always fostered partnerships at both the national and international level to cater to the interests of students. The University endeavors to enhance the legal landscape of India and contribute to the society with the help of its experienced and dedicated staff and bright young minds, providing an excellent platform for its students to gain invaluable experience by maintaining ties with top corporate law firms throughout the country and abroad. It boasts of alumni that have excelled in areas of corporate law and have made great strides in their respective fields. The University seeks to provide its students with an environment which is a healthy mix of fervor, idealism, experience and moderating values and to inculcate in them the knowledge, confidence and competence to become able lawyers of tomorrow.



## *ABOUT TRILEGAL*

Trilegal is one of India's leading law firms and is involved in some of the biggest and most complex transactions across sectors. The firm's work culture, depth of sectorial and transactional experience, wide range of expertise and quality of lawyers enable it to tap into a vast clientele inclusive of both domestic and international corporations. The firm's Corporate and M&A practice has won numerous accolades over the years and is consistently ranked by reputed legal publications as one of the best in India.

Moreover, Trilegal has won the coveted title of "National Law Firm of the Year" at Chambers Asia Pacific Awards, 2016 held in Singapore in April, 2016. The award is given each year to a firm that demonstrates outstanding capability in diverse practice areas, handling complex cross-border work and providing consistently excellent quality of services. In 2015, Trilegal was awarded the "Client Service Firm of the Year – India" and is the only Indian law firm that has been nominated in both the categories of "Best Client Service Firm" and "National Law Firm" in two consecutive years.

## SUB-THEMES

The article/essay should focus on any of the following sub-themes:

1. Impact of corporate insolvency process on M&A
2. Impact of GAAR on M&A
3. Antitrust trends in M&A (for example, change in merger thresholds, Indian and global trends in antitrust and their impact on M&A activity)
4. M&A projections in the real estate market (for example, M&A activity in the light of InvITs and REITs, effect of RERA, 2016)
5. Regulatory developments affecting M&A transactions
6. Other contemporary issues relating to M&A

## STRUCTURE

The 2018 Summit shall witness fifteen paper presentations which shall be selected after an intense review procedure.

The top two presentations in both the categories of articles and essays shall be conferred with rewards. In addition to this, the fifteen submissions that get selected for presentation from both the categories shall be published in a limited edition book titled '*Emerging Challenges in Mergers and Acquisitions*,' to be published by *Cambridge Scholars Publishing*, commemorating the 2018 Summit.

The presenters at the 2018 Summit shall additionally receive a certificate acknowledging their participation as a delegate.

## REWARDS

### **For Articles:**

- First Prize – Rs. 11,000 along with offer of internship with Trilegal.
- Second Prize – Rs. 8,000

### **For Essays:**

- First Prize – Rs. 11,000 along with offer of internship with Trilegal.
- Second Prize – Rs. 8,000

## ELIGIBILITY

For the first time, the event is being opened to students of all disciplines. The student must be pursuing his/her Bachelor's/Master's/PhD degree.

## PROCEDURE AND RULES

Authors are required to register themselves provisionally by sending an e-mail, with the subject '**Registration for NTS 2018**' outlining their intention of contributing to the 2018 Summit. Provisional Registration is open up to **10th November, 2017 (11:59 pm)**.

A submission for the 2018 Summit shall be complete only when the author(s) has submitted the following-

- (a) A manuscript containing the article/essay and an abstract of not more than 300 words;
- (b) A brief profile of the author(s);

(c) An originality statement, signed by the author(s), declaring that the manuscript is the original work of the author(s);

(d) A copyright statement, signed by the author(s), whereby the author(s) agrees that the copyright in the work shall vest in the Editor.

The aforementioned documents must be sent by e-mail, with the subject '**Submission for NTS 2018,**' on or before **20th November, 2017 (11:59 pm)**.

Please note that co-authorship is allowed up to a maximum of two authors.

## ORIGINALITY

Only original articles/essays shall be considered for the competition. Previously published ones shall be rejected forthwith. Any form of plagiarism shall result in disqualification of the submission.

## FORMAT OF THE ARTICLE/ESSAY

- Typed on A4 size electronic page.
- Font size shall be 12 points (English) in Times New Roman
- 1.5 interlinear space
- Margins of one inch (2.54 cm) on all the four sides

## SCORING

While assessing the article/essay, regard shall be had to:

- Originality and clarity of the content
- Quality of the research
- Language and structure of the article/essay
- Grammar, syntax and form

## CITATION

The authors should strictly adhere to the citation rules as given in *Chicago Manual of Style* (17<sup>th</sup> edition). The citation examples have been provided in the following link:

[http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools\\_citationguide/citation-guide-1.html](http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide/citation-guide-1.html).

## COPYRIGHTS

All the articles and the essays submitted for the Summit shall be the exclusive property of the Editor.

The authors whose submissions are selected shall be required to sign a Contributor Agreement, which shall be provided to them by the organisers. By signing the Contributor Agreement, the author agrees to transfer the rights to publish and sell the work in any binding or medium to Cambridge Scholars Publishing. Please note that publication of the accepted submissions shall be contingent on the authors sending a signed Contributor Agreement to the organisers.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

E-mails for provisional registration, submission and any other clarifications should be sent to: [trilegal.nliusummit@gmail.com](mailto:trilegal.nliusummit@gmail.com) .

## REGISTRATION FEE

Authors whose articles/essays are selected for presentation in the 2018 Summit shall be required to pay an amount of INR 1000 for single author entries and INR 2000 for co-authored entries. The Centre shall provide accommodation to all the participants.

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<https://www.facebook.com/nliutrilegalsummit/>) to get updates regarding M&A and  
the 2018 Summit.

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