



GNLU Centre for Private International Law (GCPrIL)

Training Programme Series

"Cross-Border Challenges in Corporate Law"

30 August – 01 September 2019

Details

Date: 30 Aug – 1 Sept, 2019.

Duration: 14 Hours.

Who can apply: Professionals, Consultants, Practitioners, Academicians, Research Scholars, PG and UG Students.

Fees:

- INR 2500/- (GNLU Students);
- INR 3000/- (Non-GNLU Students);
- INR 4000/- (Academicians & Research Scholars)
- INR 6000/- (Professionals, Consultants, Practitioners).

Resource Person: DR UMAKANTH VAROTTIL, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore.

About the Course:

Given the continued effects of globalization and the increasing interconnectivity among the corporate sector and capital markets of various jurisdictions, the cross-border issues emanating from corporate law have become significant. While the study of corporate law has hitherto focused predominantly on domestic matters, the impact of cross-border transactions compels a broader outlook to corporate law and related fields.

This course intends to provide an understanding of specific issues arising out of cross-border activity that has an impact on corporate law. It will begin with a discussion of structuring of corporate groups across jurisdictions and matters of incorporation of companies or establishment of other corporate entities. It will then discuss matters relating to cross-border financing, both in terms of the equity markets as well as debt financing. Specifically, issues pertaining to cross-listing of securities raise interesting questions of compliance with corporate governance norms in multiple jurisdictions. When companies grow inorganically, they are bound to enter into mergers and acquisitions (M&A) transactions with companies incorporated in other jurisdictions, thereby making cross-border



M&A ubiquitous. In case of financial distress, the life cycle of a company may attract issues pertaining to crossborder insolvency that affects corporate groups and their creditors and other stakeholders spanning different countries.

In addressing the above matters, this course adopts a novel approach to addressing specific areas of corporate law that carry cross-border implications. While the course will use corporate law in India as the basis for analysis, it will engage in a comparative perspective to the extent necessary. It was place emphasis on the theoretical, doctrinal and practical aspects of cross-border issues in corporate law.

Aims:

The primary aims of the course are as follows:

- 1. To provide participants with a detailed understanding of the various concepts, doctrines and theories applicable in cross-border issues in corporate law.
- 2. To enable the participants to appreciate the differences in various jurisdictions (starting with India) in specific issues in corporate law in an increasingly globalized world.
- 3. To provide an understanding of the application of rules and structures in practice in cross-border transactions, including the manner in which corporate officers and advisors may structure and implement cross-border transactions in a legally compliant manner.

Eligibility criteria for participants:

Basic knowledge / interest in Corporate Law (Professionals, Consultants, Practitioners,

Academicians, Research Scholars, PG and UG Students).

Teaching Methodology:

The teaching methodology would follow a combination of lecture and class discussion, with the Socratic Method exploited to the extent necessary. Each class will also contain active involvement by participants in the class discussion, whether by way of a case study or otherwise.

Course material:

A detailed syllabus and reading materials will be provided in advance of the course.

Evaluation:

The evaluation will be by way of an examination that will comprise multiple-choice questions. Further information and instructions concerning the examination will be provided at the commencement of the course.

How to Apply: Follow the steps,

- 1. Pay the fees | Payment link (kindly click on the below link) : https://www.onlinesbi.com/sbicollect/icollecthome.htm
- 2. Post payment of fees, kindly fill the registration form (kindly click on the below link): https://forms.gle/R9z8dyLnNHznUwvj9

Last Date of Applying: August 28, 2019.



Resource Person:

DR UMAKANTH VAROTTIL, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore.

About DR UMAKANTH VAROTTIL



Professor Umakanth specializes in corporate law and governance, mergers and acquisitions and corporate finance. While his work is generally comparative in nature, his specific focus is on India and Singapore. He has co-authored or co-edited four books, published articles in international journals and founded the Indian Corporate Law Blog. He has also taught on a visiting basis at law schools in Australia, India, Italy, New Zealand and the United States. He is the recipient of several academic medals and honours.

Prior to his foray into academia, Umakanth was a partner at a pre-eminent law firm in India. During that time, he was also ranked as a leading corporate/mergers & acquisitions lawyer in India by the Chambers Global Guide.

COURSE CONTENT & TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Day 1: Friday, 30 August 2019		
INAUGURAL SESSION	1430 - 1500	30 Mins
SESSION 1: The interplay between private international law and	1505 - 1705	2 Hrs
corporate law		
1705 to 1720 - TEA BREAK		
SESSION 2 : Corporate groups and cross-border structures	1720 - 1850	1.5 Hrs
Day 2: Saturday, 31 August 2019		
SESSION 3: Corporate groups and cross-border structures	1000 - 1130	1.5 Hrs
1130 to 1145 - TEA BREAK		
SESSION 4: Cross-border financing	1145 - 1315	1.5 Hrs
	1315 to 140	00 - LUNCH
SESSION 5: Cross-border financing	1400 - 1530	1.5 Hrs
	1530 to 1545 - 7	TEA BREAK
SESSION 6: Cross-border mergers & acquisitions	1545- 1715	1.5 Hrs
Day 3: Sunday, 1 September 2019		
SESSION 7: Cross-border mergers & acquisitions	0930 - 1100	1.5 Hrs
1100 to 1115 - TEA BREAK		
SESSION 8: Cross-border insolvency	1115 - 1245	1.5 Hrs
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SESSION 9: Cross-border insolvency	1330 - 1445	1.5 Hrs
1445 to 1500 - TEA BREAK		
SESSION 10: Examination	1500 - 1545	45 Mins
VALEDICTORY AND CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION	1630 - 1700	30 Mins

ABOUT GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY (GNLU):



National Law University (www.gnlu.ac.in) is a statutory University established by the Government of Gujarat through Gujarat National Law University

Act, 2003. GNLU is recognized by the Bar Council of India (BCI) and the University Grants Commission (UGC) [(2 (f) & 12 (b)]. GNLU is a member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU); the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI); and International Association of Law Schools (IALS).

GNLU offers interdisciplinary legal courses in five faculties namely, B.A.LLB, B.Com. LLB, B.Sc. LLB, BSW. LLB, BBA. LLB; two post-graduate programme namely, LLM and MBA (Financial Management and Business Laws) as well as doctoral programmes in law and inter-disciplinary fields and foreign law and languages programmes. Over a period of time since its inception, the University has established itself as a leading National Law University in the country, with its intensive focus on research-based activities and teaching through the establishment of specialized Centres, organizing extension and training programmes, national and international conferences, guest lectures and collaborations for faculty and student exchange programmes. For its exemplary efforts in the promotion of legal education, UGC has recognized GNLU as a model legal university in terms of access, equity, relevance, and high standards in 2011. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has accredited the University with 'A' Grade in 2016. GNLU has also been ranked as the 3rd and 4th Best Law University in the country by Outlook-Drshti Professional College Survey 2016 and India Today-Nielsen Survey 2016, respectively.

ABOUT GNLU CENTRE FOR PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW (GCPRIL):



Embodying the principle to transform this field of study on Private international law in India, **GNLU** International Law has been

established with the following objectives:

- To advance the knowledge on Indian Private International Law through the dissemination of top quality research and publication.
- To contribute to the development of Indian Private International Law through advocating reforms in response to current challenges of globalization and building on the Center's tradition of excellence in private international law reform.
- To serve as a meeting point for periodic information exchange between members of academia, Judiciary, policy makers, legal practitioners and social groups etc. for the development of Private International Law in India.
- To provide high quality teaching in the field of private international law at all levels.
- To contribute to collective research programs at both national and international level.

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Note:

- All the student participants are required to carry their valid student id proof during the programme.
- The participant may avail the accommodation facility at university campus based on the availability.

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