



# 5<sup>th</sup>

**V. S. Mani  
Memorial  
National Essay  
Competition,  
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# About the Essay Competition

The V. S. Mani Centre for Air and Space Law (VSMCASL), Gujarat National Law University along with the support of the generous grant from Prof. (Dr.) Stephan Hobe, Director, Institute of Air Law, Space Law and Cyber Law, University of Cologne, Germany is launching their 5th Prof. V. S. Mani Memorial National Essay Competition 2023. The Essay Competition is an endeavour to commemorate the inspiring contribution of Prof. (Dr.) V. S. Mani in the field of International Law, particularly Air and Space Law.

## Guidelines

- Submissions shall be made in the online mode only.
- Submissions shall be in English.
- Submissions need to be original. Plagiarism shall result in disqualification.
- Topic once registered shall not be changed.
- Co-authorship is permitted up to a maximum of two authors.
- Name, affiliation of author/co-author shall be attached separately in mail while Submission and not in any manner as part of essay. Any identification mark (in any form) in the essay shall lead to disqualification.
- Multiple or incomplete submissions shall not be considered.
- Word limit: Min 4000 to Max 6000 words (excluding references). Submission below or above the word limit shall not be considered.
- Citation style: OSCOLA (4 th Edition).
- Font: Times New Roman; Font size-12; Spacing- 1.5.
- Any contribution received after the last date shall not be considered.
- Submit your text as a Microsoft Word document (.doc or .docx).
- Essays submitted shall neither be published previously nor be under consideration for publication.
- Selection will be done through two-tier blind review. The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final.
- Essays will be evaluated on the following criteria: depth of analysis, cogency of arguments, structure, feasibility of suggestions, language and references in support.
- By way of submission, authors of the essays which are awarded prize money and certificates of merit, agree that Copyright therein shall vest in VSMCASL

## Eligibility and Registration

The competition is open to students pursuing UG/PG (Law) in India. The students shall register by filling the online form.

**click below link for registration**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1fhNUI5J10NWmwo6PVTaYXJ1bREvRLkXKfGY40cHaHD4/edit?pli=1>

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## Submission

All submissions are to be electronically mailed only to [vsmech@gnlu.ac.in](mailto:vsmech@gnlu.ac.in).

## Submission Deadline

20 November 2023.

## Date of the Award

31 December 2023.

## Prizes

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	: ₹ 11,000/-
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	: ₹ 10,000/-
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	: ₹ 9,000/-
1 <sup>st</sup> Consolation Prize	: ₹ 3,000/-
2 <sup>nd</sup> Consolation Prize	: ₹ 2,000/-

**All the participants who successfully submit the essay before 20 November, 2023 shall be eligible to receive an e-Certificate of Appreciation.**

## Theme

The essay should focus on any contemporary issue of '**Air and Space Law**'.

## Objective

To encourage and provide opportunity of research to the students having a passion for Air and Space Law.

## Contact Information

Kindly e-mail queries, if any, to [vsmech@gnlu.ac.in](mailto:vsmech@gnlu.ac.in)

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