



**NATIONAL APEX CHAMBER**

# **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION IN INDIA**

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# OBJECTIVE

India is an attractive destination for foreign investment and is the fastest growing economy in the world. Foreign investors entering the Indian market prefer a strong dispute resolution mechanism i.e. an international standard ADR Institution for resolution of their disputes.

There are a number of reasons that parties elect Alternate Dispute Resolution mechanism to have their disputes resolved. These include the prime desire to avoid the uncertainties and local practices associated with litigation in national courts, the desire to obtain a quicker, efficient decision, the relative enforceability of arbitration agreements and arbitral awards, the parties' freedom to select and design the arbitral procedures, confidentiality and other prime benefits.

To address this issue, the Government of India appointed the Srikrishna Committee to look into the prevailing ADR practices in India and to integrate it with global practices. The 1996 Arbitration Act was amended by introducing the Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Act, 2015 and the 2018 Arbitration Bill.

This conference is being organized to discuss the increasing relevance and impact of Alternate Dispute Resolution mechanisms in India. The deliberations of the Conference will chiefly emphasize on the following sub-topics:

- **Mediation in India - Issues, Challenges and Opportunities**
- **Experiences of Institutional Arbitration Globally**
- **ADR mechanisms in multiple sectors**
- **Arb-Med-Arb – fast track provisions for resolution of disputes**

The deliberations and discussions are intended to bring about some practical and useful suggestions from speakers across leading arbitration jurisdictions in the world who aim to provide a global perspective to the Indian business community on important trends and practices currently prevailing in commercial arbitration.

The international speakers will explore a wide array of topics related to the issues, challenges, opportunities and the rapidly expanding role of ADR in the 21st century.

## Who Should Attend?

CEOs, Trade Counselors, Lawyers, Arbitrators, Mediators, HRM leaders, Compliance Officers, Domain Experts, Law Students and in-house counsel of any level of seniority who have an interest in arbitration and mediation



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## PROGRAM

09.00 a.m. -10.00 a.m.

**Registration**

10.00 a.m.-11.00 a.m.

**Inaugural Session**

11.00 a.m.-11.30 a.m.

**Networking Tea**

11.30 a.m.-12.45 p.m.

**Institutional Arbitration around the World**

12.45 p.m.-2.00 p.m.

**New York Convention & Enforcement of Foreign Awards:  
An International Perspective- Deliberations on the 60th Anniversary of the New York Convention  
and enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards**

2.00 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.

**Lunch**

2.45 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

**Mediation Law in India-The Way Forward**

4.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

**Contemporary ADR Mechanism in Sectors – Power, Construction, Energy, Infrastructure, Logistics**



# GLIMPSES OF LAST YEAR'S CONFERENCE



## About Us

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