

Press Release

## **Mahindra University's School of Law to Host First-Ever International Mediation Conclave**

**New Delhi/Hyderabad, 16th July 2024:** Mahindra University will host the International Mediation Conclave (IMC) 2024 from August 8th to 11th, 2024, on its campus. This event is the first international conclave dedicated exclusively to mediation. The program includes workshops, a conference, a mediation competition, and an International Mediation Essay Competition.

The conclave organised in collaboration with Lex Erudites, India, and Grayspace Law and Policy Consulting, Belgium will be overseen by **Dr. Balakista Reddy, Dean School of Law of Mahindra University**. The event will be conducted in a hybrid format, allowing both in-person and online participation gathering a diverse group of professionals, judges, academicians, and students from around the world. The workshop scheduled on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2024 aims to equip participants with essential mediation skills through interactive sessions and expert-led discussions, providing practical insights into mediation techniques and career pathways.

According to **Dr. Balakista Reddy, Dean School of Law, Mahindra University**, *"We are delighted to host IMC 2024 at Mahindra University. The International Mediation Conclave 2024 represents a significant step forward in promoting mediation as an effective tool for dispute resolution. We envision competition as a catalyst for cultivating talent and promoting excellence in mediation. It will provide students with a unique opportunity to apply theoretical knowledge to real-world scenarios, preparing them for impactful careers in dispute resolution."*

One of the key events at the conclave will be the International Student Mediation Competition on August 10-11, 2024. Law students from around the globe will showcase their mediation skills in co-mediated sessions based on simulated scenarios. The competition, held in a hybrid format with mandatory in-person participation for Indian teams, aims to foster talent, promote innovative mediation approaches, and encourage cross-cultural dialogue. Winners will receive cash prizes totaling INR 100,000. The essay competition invites participants to submit essays on mediation-related topics, with selected essays published in a book and winners awarded cash prizes worth INR 100,000.

### **About Mahindra University:**

Mahindra University, Hyderabad (India) is a multi-disciplinary university. It works towards "Educating future citizens for and of a better world" and is envisioned to be a private University that will play a significant role in driving quality improvements and innovation in higher education in the coming years. Mahindra University will focus on generating new knowledge through engagement in cutting-edge research, creating a spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship, and undertaking collaborative projects with industry and other academic institutions. In 2021, Mahindra University launched the School of Management, the Indira Mahindra School of Education, and the School of Law. The University is backed by Mahindra Educational Institutions (MEI), a subsidiary of Tech Mahindra Ltd., the flagship IT company of the Mahindra Group, a US \$19.4 billion industrial entity that employs in excess of 2,56,000 employees across 100 countries.