

GLOBAL JOURNAL OF SOCIO-LEGAL RESEARCH

AUTHOR SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. Aim of the Journal

Global Journal of Socio-Legal Research (hereinafter referred to as ‘the Journal’) provides discussion on new ideas, fresh insights, and expert views on critical practical issues faced across various jurisdictions. The content is contributed by the experts in field, practitioners and international students, and aims to provide reliable source of guidance and discussion for the globalised world.

The Journal is a peer reviewed half yearly journal under with a diverse editorial board. As mentioned above, the aim of the journal is to address contemporary socio-legal issues and will act as a source of information for further development of jurisprudence. The Journal is being published under the aegis and guidance of Niti Manthan (nitimathan.in).

Important benefits of the Journal will be as follows:

- Aims to achieve a comparative approach across various jurisdictions
- Reliable source of traditional notions of discussions
- Each edition will cover specific issues which will be an amalgamation of both social and legal order

The journal is ideal for tracking inter-relationship and interdependence of traditional and non-conventional social and legal order. This will provide as an interesting platform in staying ahead in cross border socio-legal issues.

2. Theme

The October 2020 edition of the journal concentrates on the growing issues of ‘**Data privacy and data security**’. This comes in the background where globally concerns have been raised with respect to data mining, collection of data, and data impacting the security and stability of various developing countries.

The following are some of the sub-themes which will guide the acceptance of articles for this edition of the journal, namely:

- Data as the new oil of economy
- Data mining and sociological impact on the society
- Data leading the way for a new tomorrow
- Best practices in data security and privacy
- Psychological impact of breach of privacy
- Data privacy as part of fundamental human right
- Data security and privacy concerns in legal fields
- Data security and privacy in cloud computing
- Privacy in digital age
- Big data security and privacy protection

- Data privacy in healthcare industry
- Data security and privacy in online court and other dispute settlement mechanism
- Smart cities and rising concern of data security and privacy
- Illegal mining of data and their evidentiary value
- Data security and privacy in online marketing system
- Data security and rising concerns of state security
- Stakeholder analysis of data security and privacy

It is to be noted that the above-mentioned sub-themes are for the guidance purpose only. The authors are free to choose the ambit and scope of the paper in the background of the main theme.

3. **Contact Details**

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Edition	Deadline	Month of Publication
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