



Centre for Child and Youth Justice, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad

Call for Chapters for a Monograph on "International Parental Child Abduction"

by CCYJ, NALSAR in collaboration with CRY under project on "Access to Justice for Children through systems strengthening on child protection issues".

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About the Monograph on International Parental Child Abduction

The Centre for Child and Youth Justice (CCYJ), NALSAR University of Law invites entries for book chapters for a monograph on "International Parental Child Abduction". Parental abduction, particularly across international borders, is a pressing issue that affects the lives of children, families and legal systems worldwide. The monograph aims to provide a

comprehensive understanding of this complex phenomenon, looking at it through various perspectives. It aims to critically analyze the multi-faceted legal, social, and psychological dimensions of international parental child abduction. It seeks to explore current legislative frameworks, policy gaps, judicial approaches and emerging trends globally, with a special focus on the Indian perspective.

Eligibility

Academicians, legal practitioners, bureaucrats, policymakers, students and research scholars, NGOs and stakeholders with work expertise, interest in child rights and family laws are encouraged to contribute.

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