



Call for Papers

International Conference on Court Innovation and Excellence: Today and Tomorrow Dubai, United Arab Emirates

7 – 8 November 2018

It is a pleasure to invite you to the International Conference on Court Innovation and Excellence 2018. **Should you desire to contribute your expertise to the conference, we welcome you to submit your on-topic research paper.**

The conference aims to embody the International Framework for Court Excellence (IFCE) and to discuss strategies, problems and solutions surrounding the various judiciaries' pursuit towards court excellence. The main topics of the conference are:

- Challenges and Best Practices in Judicial Leadership and Governance
- Improving Access to Justice, Court Strategies and Collaboration
- Pursuing Court Excellence in tandem with Technological Advancements
- Courts' Management of Blockchain and Smart Contracts
- AI Adjudication of Cases
- The Future of Cybersecurity
- The Future of Cyberlaw, Electronic Evidence etc.
- Big Data: Right to Privacy vs. Transparency

Submission of Abstracts (Grey Literature)

We trust that by increasing networking sharing opportunities, the judiciaries across the globe could join their efforts to collectively improve how courts are managed and administered. Benefitting from information on challenges and solutions in other jurisdictions, court leaders and administrators could advocate for resources, technology and adoption of best practices in their own courts.

We thus welcome all speakers and interested researchers to contribute to this conference by **producing research results, consultation documents and reports/guides** that inform conference attendees and the wider public concisely about your topic and help present your work and efforts on the matter.

We invite attendees and the general public to use these papers as a baseline for further discussion and research, and to provide feedback and opinions on the matter.

Beyond the sharing of your material with your peers (conference participants), you will also benefit from a wider distribution of your papers through the extensive network of the DIFC



Courts and the ICCE Committee. This will help create a wider awareness on the technical aspect of the topic(s) you will present.

Furthermore, at the end the conference, a **Green Paper released by the DIFC Courts will collate the 15 most interesting and relevant papers** submitted to us and will share it with the **ICCE Committee Secretariat and the IACA Executive Board** and with our extensive network and database of stakeholders in the judicial, legal and academic communities.

The Green Paper will serve as discussion document intended to stimulate dialogue and launch a process of consultation, at international level, on the chosen topics. This may result in development of new court excellence standards and as an official set of proposals which may be used by leaders when advocating for policy developments.

The **EXTENDED deadline** for submission of your research paper is **15 October 2018**.

To submit your final paper, please email it to: events@difccourts.ae

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to write to us at events@difccourts.ae, call us at **+971 4 427 3304** or schedule a conference call with us at your convenience. We sincerely look forward to your contributions and to seeing you at the ICCE 2018!

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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