

6th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VICTIM ASSISTANCE

On 27 and 28 October 2017, in O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat, Haryana, NCR of Delhi, India, the 6th International Conference on Victim Assistance was held, with the main theme “Evolving Perspectives in Victimology”. The forum was organized mainly by the Jindal Institute of Behavioral Sciences and the Center for Victimology and Psychological Studies and was also recognized by the World Society of Victimology whose many representatives took part in the event.

The conference is an event, traditionally organized by this relatively new but emerging university with an excellent infrastructure for conducting education and research, which is well-known and attracts scientists from all over the world. During the forum the latest achievements of victimology were presented and there were created excellent prerequisites for scientific contacts.

The conference was held in plenary sessions and comprised work in three parallel sections. They discussed virtually all the topical and important aspects of victim protection and prevention of victimization. Over 300 participants from 20 countries from all continents participated in the forum and 115 presentations were submitted.

From the Bulgarian side Prof. Dobrinka Chankova, PhD, from South-West University (SWU) “N. Rilsky” participated in the prestigious forum. She presented a paper on “Victims of crime in Bulgaria - between EU law and the daily challenges to the institutions and organizations involved”, which was received very well and will be published. She chaired a scientific session on “Direct and indirect victimization in the family”, which also went very well.

During the period October 22 - November 4, 2017, the same university organized the 15th Asian Post Graduate Course on Victimology, Victim Assistance and Criminal Justice, in which Prof. Chankova delivered a lecture entitled “Restorative Justice – an Improved Instrument in Support of Victims”, received exceptionally well by the knowledgeable students. For the participation in the conference and course, the presenters were awarded honorary plaques for contributions to the victimology and Certificates of Appreciation.

Talks were also held with Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. C. Raj Kumar, Prof. Dr. Sanjiev P. Sahni - Principal Director, Jindal Institute of Behavioural Sciences and Manjushree Palit, PhD, Assistant Professor & Deputy Director, Jindal Institute of Behavioral Sciences. All of them showed an outstanding interest towards our university and offered to sign a Friendship and

Cooperation Agreement. Right on the spot, with the cooperation of Prof. Kshitij Bansal, Assistant Director of the Office for International Cooperation, and the very good communication with the Bulgarian side, the contract was drawn up, signed by Jindal Global University and already signed by the SWU management, too. At this stage, the agreement is a framework one, but it was proposed to conclude an Erasmus+ agreement as well as another contract to exchange students outside of it.

Thanks to the exceptional hospitality of the hosts and especially Prof. Dr. Sahni, the conference has become an unforgettable experience and a significant event in the world of victimology.

Prof. DobrinkaChankova, PhD

See the fragments of the conference bellow.

The poster features logos for O.P. Jindal Global University (NAAC Accredited - 'A' Grade), Jindal Institute of Behavioural Sciences, and the Centre for Victimology & Psychological Studies (CVPS). The main title is "6TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VICTIM ASSISTANCE" with the theme "Evolving Perspectives in Victimology". It is scheduled for 27th - 28th October, 2017, at O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonapat-Narela Road, Sonapat-131001, NCR of Delhi, Haryana, INDIA. The background shows the Taj Mahal. At the bottom, it lists the organizing body and knowledge partners like IIT, IIS, and IITM, along with the event partner Sodexo.





