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THE 18TH WSV INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

ON

FORENSIC AND CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES IN  
VICTIMOLOGY AND VICTIM ASSISTANCE

ORGANIZED BY

THE WORLD SOCIETY OF VICTIMOLOGY (WSV)

HOSTED BY

NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCES UNIVERSITY



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VENUE: NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCES UNIVERSITY



## ABOUT WORLD SOCIETY OF VICTIMOLOGY

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The World Society of Victimology (WSV) is a not-for-profit, nongovernmental organization with Special Category consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and the Council of Europe. The purpose of the WSV is to advance victimological research and practices around the world; to encourage interdisciplinary and comparative work and research in this field, and to advance cooperation between international, national, regional, and local agencies and other groups who are concerned with the problems of victims. The origins of the WSV are rooted in the works of the early victimologists and the convening of the "First International Symposium on Victimology" organized by Israel Drapkin in Israel in 1973.

The membership of the World Society of Victimology consists of a wide variety of individuals – from students to academics, from interested individuals to government officials – dedicated to improving the plight of victims of crime and the abuse of power around the globe. The WSV's members represent many organizations in the International Scientific and Professional Advisory Council (ISPAC) to the Crime Program at the United Nations and serve on its Board of Directors. These activities are achieved mainly through the networking of persons concerned with the theory of victimology and the practice of victim support.



<https://www.worldsocietyofvictimology.org>

# ABOUT NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCES UNIVERSITY



National Forensic Sciences University, a recognized Institute of National Importance is the world's first and only University dedicated to Forensic, behavioral, cybersecurity, digital forensics, and allied Sciences. Established by the Government of India through Act, 2020 (32 of 2020) with the objective of fulfilling the acute shortage against the increasing demand for forensic experts in the country and around the world. Gandhinagar Campus is the first campus of the National Forensic Sciences University at Gandhinagar, Gujarat. National Forensic Sciences University is running 64 courses in the twelve schools.

NFSU currently offers graduate and postgraduate -level academic programs in advanced and specialized courses run by each school along with M.Phil and Ph.D. programs. Maintaining excellence in education, research, and training with appropriate facilities within this campus, NFSU encourages collaborations across multiple disciplines and skill sets.

The University conducts need-based customized training programs for the Police Officers, Judicial Officers, Forensic Experts, Security Officers, Medical Officers, Legal Officers, Army Officers, Senior Vigilance Officers of Banking, Insurance sectors, Forest Officers, Officers of NIA, NDCB, IAS Officers, IFS Officers, Officers of CBI, Income tax, Public and Private Sector undertaking.



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# SUBTHEMES

## Forensic Approaches in Victimology

- 1 Victims and police abuse of power
- 2 Victim rights
- 3 Wrongful convictions
- 4 Prosecution/judicial activism and victim justice
- 5 Scientific evidence and victim justice
- 6 Forensic investigations of victimization

## Contemporary Perspectives in Victimology

- 1 Theoretical perspectives in victimology
- 2 Individual victimization
- 3 Institutional victimization
- 4 Targeted forms of victimization
- 5 Poly-victimization
- 6 Methodological approaches in victimology
- 7 Psychological effects of victimization
- 8 Green victimology
- 9 Comparative victimology

## Practical Approaches in Victimology

- 1 Restorative justice
- 2 Transitional justice
- 3 Truth and reconciliation commissions
- 4 Victim assistance programmes
- 5 Models and best practices in victim assistance/services

## Understanding and Responding to the Victimisation of Vulnerable Groups

- 1 Homeless
- 2 Mentally ill
- 3 Physically disabled
- 4 People with learning difficulties
- 5 Prisoners
- 6 Victims of human trafficking
- 7 LGBTQ population

## WHO CAN ATTEND ?

The 18th World Society of Victimology Symposium is open for academicians, researchers, practitioners, and professionals otherwise engaged in the criminology and criminal justice sectors as well as interested learners and students. It is aimed that it will serve as a platform for a healthy discussion and exchange of ideas related to victimology, victim assistance, forensic science, criminology, and interdisciplinary fields forensics as interdisciplinary fields.

## PAPER SUBMISSION

An individual paper is a submission by the author(s) that will be incorporated into any sessions with other related and similar abstracts. Presenters should submit a title, Abstract of the presentation and a detail of their contact information(name, affiliation, postal address, phone number and email)

You will receive a confirmation email after you submit your abstract. (An Example of the email confirmation: Thank you for submitting your Abstract. You will be notified later about acceptance of your Abstract).

**For submission of papers, kindly visit:**  
[https://www.worldsocietyofvictimology.org/  
wsv-2024/](https://www.worldsocietyofvictimology.org/wsv-2024/)

# Registration Details\*

## Fees for International Stakeholders:

Membership Type	Early-Bird Fee (until July 20th)	Regular Fee (July 21st - August 31st)	On-site Fee (September 1st onwards)
Member	USD 400.00	USD 450.00	USD 500.00
Non-Member	USD 500.00	USD 550.00	USD 600.00
Student	USD 250.00	USD 300.00	USD 350.00
Spouse/ Companion	USD 250.00	USD 300.00	USD 350.00

## Fees for Indian Stakeholders:

Stakeholder Type	Early-Bird Fee (until July 20th)	Regular Fee (July 21st - August 31st)	On-site Fee (September 1st onwards)
Practitioner	INR 3000	INR 3500	INR 4000
Academician	INR 2000	INR 2500	INR 3000
Research Scholar	INR 1500	INR 2000	INR 2500
Students	INR 1000	INR 1500	INR 2000
Spouse/ Companion	INR 1000	INR 1500	INR 2000

*Note: Registration fee includes conference kit and lunch on relevant dates.*

*\*University will not provide any accommodation for the participants.*

## IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission  
(last date)

July 15th 2024

## PAYMENT DETAILS

**Account Name:** National Forensic Sciences University

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# THE WORLD SOCIETY VICTIMOLOGY (WSV): CALL FOR AWARDS

## HANS VON HENTIG AWARD

This award is the highest award our Society can give and is presented in remembrance of the famous pioneer of Victimology, Hans von Hentig. It is ordinarily presented every 3 years to a person, who has made a significant contribution in the field of Victimology. Each member of the Society may nominate a candidate to the President. Before each Symposium convenes, the Executive Committee decides who will receive the award.

- Israel Drapkin, Israel (1982)
- Marlene Young, USA (1985)
- Marvin Wolfgang, USA (1988)
- Benjamin Mendelsohn, Israel (1991)
- Irene Melup, USA (1994) ((USA)
- Luis Rodríguez Manzanera, Mexico (1997)
- Zvonimir Paul Šeparović, Croatia (2000)
- Jan van Dijk, Netherlands (2003)
- Hans Joachim Schneider (2006)
- Ezzat A. Fattah (2009)
- Emilio Viano (2012)
- Dame Helen Reeves (2015)
- Jane Connors (2018)

## BENJAMIN MENDELSON YOUNG SCHOLAR AWARD

This award is presented in remembrance to the famous pioneer of Victimology, Benjamin Mendelsohn, to a young victimologist who has made promising contributions to victimology.

- Rianne M. Letschert (2009)
- Chie Maekoya (2012)
- Chadley James (2015)
- Deanna Button (2018)

## IRENE MELUP CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

This Award is given to deserving individuals to recognize major accomplishments and/or special events significant to the field of Victimology. This Award is decided upon by the Executive Committee and signed by the President and the Secretary General. This Award may be presented as often as deemed appropriate. Nominations for this Award must be made in writing to the President and may only be from a member in good standing of the Society.

- Benjamin Mendelsohn, Israel (1982)
- John P.J. Dussich, USA (1985)
- Chris Sumner, Australia (1987)
- Irene Melup, USA (1988)
- Heber Vargas, Brazil (1991)
- Hilda Marchiori, Argentina (1991)
- Elias Neuman, Argentina (1994)
- V.R. Krishna Iyer, India (1994)
  
- Ray Withrod (1994)
- Hidemichi Morosawa, Japan (1997)
- Wesley G. Skogan, USA (2000)
- Marc Groenhuijzen, Netherlands (2003)
- John Stein (2007)
- Sarah Ben David (2009)
- Andrew Karmen (2012)
- Jo-Anne Wemmers (2015)
- Maria de la Luz Lima (2018)



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Hotel City Inn 	<a href="https://www.cityinngandhinagar.com/index.php">https://www.cityinngandhinagar.com/index.php</a>
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# ABOUT GUJARAT

GUJARAT, LOCATED IN WESTERN INDIA, IS A VIBRANT STATE WITH A RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE THAT HAS EVOLVED OVER CENTURIES. KNOWN FOR ITS DIVERSE TRADITIONS, ART FORMS, FESTIVALS, AND CUISINE, GUJARAT SHOWCASES A UNIQUE FUSION OF ANCIENT TRADITIONS AND MODERN INFLUENCES.

GUJARAT IS A TREASURE TROVE FOR CULTURAL ENTHUSIASTS. THE STATE IS HOME TO NUMEROUS HISTORICAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHITECTURAL MARVELS LIKE THE DWARKADISH TEMPLE, GIR NATIONAL PARK, KOCHRAB ASHRAM, ROYAL CHHATRADIS, SABARMATI ASHRAM, SHIVRAJPUR BEACH, SOMNATH TEMPLE, STATUE OF UNITY, SUN TEMPLE, AND WHITE RANN. THE VIBRANT RANN OF KUTCH HOSTS THE RANN UTSAV, A CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA THAT SHOWCASES FOLK MUSIC, DANCE PERFORMANCES, AND LOCAL CRAFTS.



AHMEDABAD, THE LARGEST CITY AND THE CULTURAL CAPITAL OF GUJARAT IS A BUSTLING METROPOLIS THAT SEAMLESSLY BLENDS MODERNITY WITH TRADITION. THIS OLD CITY'S NARROW LANES LINED WITH INTRICATELY CARVED HAVELIS (TRADITIONAL MANSIONS) AND VIBRANT BAZAARS OFFERING AN ARRAY OF TEXTILES, HANDICRAFTS, AND SPICES ARE AN EXPLORER'S DREAM COME TRUE.

GUJARAT'S CULTURAL CONTEXT IS A BEAUTIFUL AMALGAMATION OF DIVERSE RELIGIOUS PRACTICES, ART FORMS, CUISINE, AND FESTIVITIES. THE STATE'S CULTURAL HERITAGE IS DEEPLY CHERISHED AND CELEBRATED, ALLOWING VISITORS AND RESIDENTS ALIKE TO IMMERSE THEMSELVES IN THE VIBRANT TAPESTRY OF GUJARAT'S TRADITIONS.





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