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## **3<sup>rd</sup> South Asian Global Intellectual Property Summit, 2026**

### **International Conference on SEPs and Patent Innovation, 2026**

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In Collaboration with



### **About the Conference**

The *2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on SEPs and Patent Innovation, 2026* is the flagship international conference under the *3<sup>rd</sup> South Asian Global Intellectual Property Summit, 2026*, organised by the *Centre for Development of Intellectual Property and*



**International  
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*Research (CDIPR), Naovina Development of Intellectual Property and Research Foundation*, in collaboration with the *Global Innovation Policy Center (GIPC)* and the *Open Invention Network (OIN)*. Powered by the *Community for Academic Research and Development (CARD)*. Building upon the remarkable success of the previous edition, the 2026 Conference aspires to further strengthen global dialogue on Standard Essential Patents (SEPs), FRAND licensing, competition law, technology governance, and innovation policy. The 2025 edition witnessed an overwhelming international response, bringing together participants from *96 countries*, representing more than *120+ Institutes, research institutions, government bodies, international organisations, think tanks, law firms, corporations, startups, and civil society organisations*. This unprecedented global participation established the Conference as one of South Asia's leading international forums dedicated to the intersection of intellectual property, technology, and innovation governance.

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As global technological ecosystems become increasingly interconnected, *Standard Essential Patents (SEPs)* have emerged as one of the most significant intersections between *intellectual property, innovation policy, international trade, digital governance, and competition law*. From *6G communications and Artificial Intelligence to Digital Public Infrastructure, semiconductors, autonomous mobility, green technologies, and advanced manufacturing*, SEPs are shaping the future architecture of global innovation. The 2026 Conference serves as a multidisciplinary platform bringing together academicians, judges, policymakers, patent professionals, economists, technology companies, engineers, innovators, startups, industry leaders, researchers, and students from across the world to critically examine the evolving legal and policy landscape governing standardisation, innovation, and technology transfer.

The Conference places particular emphasis on emerging developments in FRAND licensing, patent pools, cross-border SEP litigation, competition law, interoperability, open innovation, and international standard-setting. It seeks to explore how developing economies, particularly those in South Asia and the Global South, can actively contribute to and benefit from global standardisation while promoting innovation, equitable market access, and sustainable technological growth.

### Conference Objectives

- *Examine emerging legal, commercial, and policy challenges surrounding Standard Essential Patents and global standardisation.*
- *Foster international dialogue on FRAND licensing, patent pools, competition law, and technology transfer.*
- *Encourage comparative research on SEP regulation across jurisdictions.*
- *Promote scholarship addressing innovation governance within developing economies and the Global South.*
- *Explore emerging challenges relating to Artificial Intelligence, Digital Public Infrastructure, semiconductors, cybersecurity, and next-generation communication technologies.*

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- *Encourage interdisciplinary collaboration between law, economics, engineering, innovation policy, and technology governance.*
- *Support evidence-based policy recommendations for creating transparent, inclusive, and innovation-friendly SEP ecosystems.*

### Conference Date & Format

- **Dates:** 26th July, 2025
- **Format:** Virtual Mode

### Key Themes and Sub-Themes

*Participants are invited to submit papers engaging with the following thematic tracks:*

#### 1. Standard Essential Patents and Future Technologies

- *Evolution of Standard Essential Patents in the global innovation ecosystem*
- *SEPs and the transition from 5G to 6G communications*
- *Standardisation in Artificial Intelligence systems*
- *SEPs in Internet of Things (IoT) and Industrial IoT*
- *Patent strategies for emerging digital infrastructure*
- *Global patent landscapes in telecommunications*

#### 2. FRAND Licensing: Contemporary Challenges

- *Evolution of FRAND jurisprudence across jurisdictions*
- *Royalty valuation methodologies*
- *Injunctions in SEP disputes*
- *Transparency in FRAND negotiations*
- *Cross-border licensing frameworks*
- *Arbitration and mediation in SEP disputes*
- *Global judicial trends in FRAND litigation*

#### 3. Patent Pools, Collaborative Innovation and Licensing

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- *Modern patent pool governance*
  - *Licensing models for next-generation technologies*
  - *Open innovation ecosystems*
  - *Patent pooling in healthcare technologies*
  - *Green technology patent collaborations*
  - *Standardisation and technology diffusion*
  - *Emerging collaborative licensing models*
- 4. SEPs, Competition Law and International Trade**
- *Competition law implications of SEP enforcement*
  - *Patent hold-up and hold-out*
  - *Abuse of dominant position in SEP markets*
  - *International trade implications of SEP licensing*
  - *WTO perspectives on technology licensing*
  - *Competition policy and innovation incentives*
  - *Comparative antitrust approaches*
- 5. Artificial Intelligence, Digital Platforms and Standardisation**
- *AI-related Standard Essential Patents*
  - *Generative AI and patent innovation*
  - *Standards for trustworthy AI*
  - *Digital platform governance*
  - *Interoperability standards*
  - *AI governance and intellectual property*
  - *Software standards and open-source ecosystems*
- 6. SEPs and Digital Public Infrastructure**
- *Digital Identity systems*
  - *Digital Payments infrastructure*
  - *Health technology interoperability*

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- *Smart governance standards*
- *Public digital platforms*
- *Inclusive innovation through open standards*
- *SEPs and Digital Public Goods*

**7. Green Technologies and Sustainable Innovation**

- *Climate technologies and SEPs*
- *Renewable energy standards*
- *Electric vehicle charging standards*
- *Battery technologies*
- *Smart energy systems*
- *Sustainable manufacturing innovation*
- *Circular economy technologies*

**8. Semiconductors, Electronics and Advanced Manufacturing**

- *Patent landscapes in semiconductor technologies*
- *Chip design innovation*
- *Global semiconductor supply chains*
- *Standardisation in electronics manufacturing*
- *Industrial policy and patent governance*

**9. Open Innovation and Open Source**

- *Open Invention Network initiatives*
- *Open-source licensing*
- *Patent non-aggression models*
- *Collaborative research ecosystems*
- *Open standards and global development*

**10. Comparative and International Perspectives**

- *WIPO initiatives relating to SEPs*
- *International standard-setting organisations*

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- *Regional approaches to SEP governance*
- *Comparative jurisprudence*
- *South Asian perspectives*

### **Format and Presentation**

The conference will be conducted virtually to allow accessible participation across geographies. Selected authors will present their papers in live sessions before an international audience comprising scholars, legal professionals, industry leaders, and policy experts.

### **Recognition & Awards**

Selected contributors will receive:

- *Publication in the International edited Volume titled “SEPs, FRAND and Patent Innovation: Contemporary Challenges and Emerging Perspectives” with ISBN.*  
(To be published and distributed across 15 nations, with international editorial and institutional collaboration.)
- *International Certificate of Presentation*
- *Best Papers to be Featured in the Global Patent Innovation Research Blog*
- *Eligibility for Best Paper and Emerging Scholar Awards*
- *Opportunities for publication in policy briefs, international blogs, and partner platforms*
- *Invitations for future international collaborations, conferences, and research initiatives*
- *Selected works will be highlighted through international academic blogs, policy briefs, and partner platforms*

### **Call for Papers Timeline**

- **Abstract Submission Deadline: 10th July 2026**  
(Abstracts should be between 250–300 words, clearly indicating the research question, methodology and relevance to the Conference themes.)
- **Notification of Abstract Selection: 12th July 2026**  
(Selected authors will be notified via email and invited to submit full papers.)

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- **Full Paper Submission Deadline: 20th July 2026**  
(Full-length papers should be 3,000–4,000 words and follow the Conference’s *Submission Guidelines*.)
- **Presentation Confirmation by Authors: 20th July 2026**  
(Selected participants must confirm attendance and complete registration.)
- **Date of Conference: 26th July 2026**

**Abstract Conference Form:** <https://forms.gle/xSP69GqcPdHyRRLSA>

### Submission Guidelines

#### Categories:

- Research Article: 3,000 to 5,000 words
- Policy Paper / Legislative Analysis: 3,000 to 5,000 words
- Case Studies / Legal Commentaries: 2,000 to 4,000 words

#### Format and Structure:

- **Font:** Times New Roman
- **Body Text:** 12pt, Justified Alignment
- **Headings:** 14pt, Centre Alignment
- **Subheadings:** 13pt
- **Footnotes:** 10pt, Left Alignment
- **Citation Style:** Bluebook 21st Edition
- **Spacing:** 1.5
- **Language:** English only

**Abstract:** Each submission must include a concise abstract not exceeding **300 words** summarising the core ideas of the paper with 5 keywords.

#### Originality:

- Submissions must be entirely original and unpublished.
- Plagiarism should not exceed **10%**, and **AI-generated content is not allowed**.

Submissions violating these guidelines will be rejected.

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**Co-Authorship:** Papers may have up to **two authors**.

**Review Process:**

- A **two-stage internal review** will assess submissions.
- Authors may be required to revise their papers based on feedback regarding content, structure, or formatting.

**Why Participate?**

- Share your ideas at one of *South Asia's* most timely conferences on Standard Essential Patents, Patent innovation, Competition and technology law.
- Present your work to an international audience of scholars, policymakers, industry leaders and civil society experts.
- Be published in a globally distributed book titled, "**SEPs, FRAND and Patent Innovation: Contemporary Challenges and Emerging Perspectives**" Co-curated with the *Global Innovation Policy Center (GIPC)* and *Open Invention Network (OIN)*.
- Connect with international Organisations, research institutions, and innovation networks to expand your academic and professional reach.

**Abstract Conference Form:** <https://forms.gle/xSP69GqcPdHyRRLSA>

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