

Roundtable Discussion on

Growth of ICT Sector in India: Issues and Challenges pertaining to SEPs

August 22, 2016 | Maple Hall, India Habitat Centre | New Delhi

AGENDA

Indian jurisprudence on fair, reasonable, and non-discriminatory (FRAND) licensing practices for standard essential patents (SEPs) is at a nascent stage. Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP) came up with a consultation paper on this important issue. Indian Judiciary and the Competition Commission of India (CCI) are simultaneously addressing the first complaints ever filed in India concerning FRAND licensing. This roundtable aims at discussing issues and challenges which SEPs can raise in achieving growth in the ICT sector in India.

15:00 – 15:30 hrs Registration & Networking Tea

15:30 – 15:45 hrs Welcome Remarks by Dr Arvind Mayaram, IAS(R), Former Finance Secretary of India & Chairman, CUTS Institute for Regulation & Competition

15:45 – 17:15 hrs Roundtable Discussion on Standard Essential Patents

A panel of senior experts from academia, practitioners, think tanks and government representatives will deliberate on the issues and challenges related to Standard Essential Patents in India.

Chair & Moderator: **Sunil Jain**, Managing Editor, The Financial Express

- **Rajiv Aggarwal**, Joint Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion
- **K.D. Singh**, Joint Director (Law) Competition Commission of India
- **Jay P. Kesan**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, College of Law
- **Mahesh Uppal**, Director Comfirst India
- **Payal Malik**, Associate Professor, University of Delhi; Former Adviser Economics, Competition Commission of India
- **Rajiv Kr. Choudhry**, Co-founder RHA Legal

17:15 – 17:30 hrs Q&A

17:30 – 18:00 hrs High Tea
