

# WEBINAR - PHILOSOPHY OF INTERNATIONAL AVIATION LAW

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The National Level Webinar on Philosophy of International Aviation Law was organized by MAR GREGORIOS COLLEGE OF LAW, Nalanchira, Thiruvananthapuram on 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2020.

The webinar was inaugurated by our Principal Prof. (Dr.) P.C. JOHN and the session was moderated by Ms. Stephanie. Sharon. The webinar comprised of a talk by Prof. (Dr.) S.G. SREEJITH P on the epistemological foundations of international aviation law and Q&A session. Prof. (Dr.) S.G. SREEJIT is Professor & Executive Dean, Executive Director- Centre for International Legal Studies O.P. JINDAL GLOBAL LAW SCHOOL.

A total of 253 students and legal professionals attended the webinar. The participants were from Kerala as well as from institutions in Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Madhya Pradesh. Students doing courses in Aeronautical Engineering were also attendees to the seminar. It was heartening to note that students from a cross section of law colleges in Kerala attended the webinar.

Prof. [Dr.] S.G. Sreejith introduced International Aviation Law as one of the major areas of law developed in the 20<sup>th</sup> century consequent to the rapid developments in air technology. He spoke about the the notion of International air law based on the central idea of state sovereignty doctrine and how this imposes limitations on the understanding of the subject. The speaker illustrated the manner in which international aviation law makes an epistemological shift from classical sources of international air law to accommodate newer sources of law such as Standard and Recommended Practices (SARPs) of the ICAO and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).