

THE AUM-LAI CHAPTER, PUNE

PRESENTS

INTERNATIONAL CONCLAVE 2025

URBAN PLANNING AND LAND-USE SCIENCE:

A CIVIL ENGINEERING PERSPECTIVE



Academic Collaboration for Engineering and Architectural Discipline in Pursuit of Global Excellence.

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Friday, 7th November 2025

Venue :

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MIT - World Peace Centre University,
Pune - 411049

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INTRODUCTION OF AUM-LAI CHAPTER - PUNE - MAHARSHTRA

Aum Lai Chapter - Pune : a global vision for land economics

We are pleased to announce that the "Aum Ai Chapter – Pune" is proudly affiliated with Lambda Alpha International (LAI) - the honorary society for the advancement of land economics, founded in Chicago in 1931 by students of Sir Richard T. Ely, the renowned land economist and founding member of the American Economic Association.

Lai is a global, invitation-only organization that recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the ethical study and application of land use, whether as practitioners or academics. With over 2,800 members across 28 chapters in North America, Canada, the UK, Europe, and Asia, Lai brings together a multi disciplinary cadre of professionals to advance land economics through educational events, research and leadership.

The Pune Chapter, formally chartered in Madrid in 2014, is one of Lai's youngest yet most vibrant global chapters. Its diverse membership includes :

- Architects & urban planners
- Economists & chartered accountants
- Government officials & legal experts
- Academicians, researchers, and industrialists.

Through conferences, conclaves seminars and publications, the chapter fosters dialogue and innovation in land economics, encouraging research, academic engagement and collaborative planning for sustainable cohesive development.

Aum Lai had the privilege of organizing the national conclave on "securing water for food-energy nexus for environmental sustainability", co-hosted by mit-world peace university under the esteemed stewardship of vice chancellor Dr. Ravikumar Chitnis.

Upcoming International Conclave 2025 - academic collaboration with MIT-WPU

Lambda alpha international (lai) president Kathline King, devised team as "planning and land economics advisory group" to enable conduct academic collaboration with MIT/WPU.

The chapter is now preparing to co-host the international conclave 2025, focusing on:

"Integrating urban planning and land use science - a civil engineering perspective.

For the benefit of students of all engineering and architectural colleges for land economic development for the future. Lai's global academic fraternity experts to contribute actively in sharing their experiences.

This global conclave aims to achieve :

- Invaluable contribution in shaping Maharashtra's urban development policies and reforms.
- By promoting & bringing international academic collaboration in pursuit of global excellence.
- the intent is to facilitate a better understanding as to how urban planning policy affects public works and development projects with global value.
- To develop practical course or a course model in future which provide emerging civil engineers / architects with insight into land use planning issues.

MIT / WPU's OBJECTIVES & GOALS



Dr. Vishwanath Karad
MIT/WPU's Founder &
Chief Patron



Dr. Ravi Chitnis
Vice Chancellor
MIT/WPU

At the outset MIT/WPU appreciates the event held in year 2013 "National Conference on Securing water for food, Energy nexus for environment Sustainability. Attended by a good gathering of renowned attendees of students. Going forward MIT/WPU has shown a strong commitment to students, it is evident in Vice Chancellor's consistent efforts for creation of quality of education for better career opportunities.

USA being home to many of world's top universities recognised globally and hence proposition of Aum chapter in inviting the learned professors from there fraternity for the purpose of pedagogical approach that emphasises value based teaching methods as well as perspectives for education for sustainable development (ESD). In this regard the government policy has already declared to avail "Multi disciplinary higher educational technologies" in education.

MIT/WPU has specialization in • Global post graduate engineering programme with academic collaboration • Cutting edge technology tie-up / International teachers / Professors in various universities • Job creation / Certification endorsements / Experience in industry. • International exposure at local cost. • Virtual in / person engagement • Internship placement • Starting with B.Arch / M.Arch master planning by land-use curriculum • Students exchange programme • Exhibition show casing / case studies • Roll of urban planning unit to civil engineering programme.



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Session Details

08.30 am. to 09.30 am.	Registration & Tea
09.30 am. to 10.30 am.	Inaugural Session

TIMING	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER
09:30-10:30	Welcome of dignitaries / Lighting of lamp / Master of ceremony Pasaydan / National anthem / Introductory remarks / Introduction and felicitation of the guest of honour & speech Address by executive president, Dr. Rahul V. Karad	

Tea / Coffee break [10:30-11:00]

Technical sessions - 1 [11:00-13:00]

11:00-11:20	Role of urban planning and climate change resilience : form-based zoning	Dr. V. K. Saraswat
11:20-11:40	Designing future smart cities	Dr. D. Thara, IAS
11:40-12:00	Creating innovation clusters as an integral part of urban infrastructure	Dr. Rajendra Jagdale
12:00-12:20	Community planning, transit-oriented development and zoning	Prof. Ar. Leslie Pollock
12:20-12:40	Exploring the cost of contemporary India: a study of spatial plans	Dr. Sanjeev Vidyarthi
12:40-13:00	Connection between social equity, public health and land policy	Prof. Zorica Nedovic-Budic

Rapporteurs : Mrs. Shantini Bokil & Ar. Laxuman Thite

Lunch [13:00-14:30]

Technical sessions post-lunch [14:30-17:00]

14:30-16:00	Plenary session discussion "Integrating urban planning, governance, and sustainable development" Panel members : Dr. Rajendra Jagdale, Ar. Leslie Pollock, Dr. Sanjeev Vidyarthi, Prof. Umakant Dash, IAS, Dr. Abhay Pethe, Prof. Zorica Nedovic-Budic, Prof. Rajiv Mishra, Dr. Sanjay Mukharjee	
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Rapporteurs : Dr. Shushrut Vinchurkar & Sachin Birewar

16:00-16:30	International zoom calls Q&A round by professor of city planning director, the NYU Urban expansion program The marron institute of urban management at New York University	Pro. Shlomo (Solly) Angel
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"India specific regional development in comparison with Global North & Global South"
(Details to be finilized)

Rapporteurs : Prof. Rajiv Mishra & Ar. Anilkumar Hatkar

16:50-17:00	Overview and concluding remarks & vote of thanks	Dr. Chandahas Deshpande
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Dr. Rajendra Jagdale
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Policy Research

Science and Technology Park, University of Pune (Scitech Park)

Established in 1986, the science and technology park (scitech park) at the University of Pune is among India's pioneering science and technology entrepreneurs' parks (steps), initiated by the ministry of science and technology, government of India. Recognized by the department of science and technology (DST) as a centre for policy research, scitech park plays a key role in driving innovation-led development, fostering strong collaboration among industry, academia, and government.

The core mission of scitech park is to "convert knowledge into wealth" by nurturing innovation, promoting inclusive growth and contributing to sustainable development. Through its dedicated business incubator, the park has supported over 260 start-ups and mentored more than 1,300 entrepreneurs across a broad spectrum of sectors. These include renewable energy, clean technology, electric mobility, waste management, medical and diagnostic technologies, biotechnology, electronics, telecommunications, it applications, education technology, and social entrepreneurship. The incubator has also focused on empowering marginalized groups through targeted programs in skill development and entrepreneurship training for women, differently-abled individuals, and other under represented communities.

Scitech park's multi-disciplinary approach extends beyond incubation. It undertakes significant research and consultancy in areas such as remote sensing and gis for socio-economic studies, marine and coastal services, agriculture and food technology, health, hygiene, and sanitation. Its projects reflect a commitment to regional planning and sustainability, including the development of detailed project reports (DPRS), urban and landscape-level planning, district development plans, environmental impact assessments & policy-level interventions.

Who Should Attend

Various ministries related to educations, urban development in the entire government for good governance - 1] Ministry of education 2] Ministry of urban planning 3] Transportation.

The noddle Govt. departments - 1] MIDC 2] MMRDA 3] Social reforms & policy makers 4] Department of PWD 5] Pollution control board 6] Heritage conservation 7] Town planning department 8] PMRDA 9] PMC 10] PCMC

Students of the colleges - 1] Engineering and architectural colleges 2] All the faculty members of above all the stake holders - 1] Developers 2] Builders 3] Contractors 4] Real estate consultants 5] Law farms 6] Financier

Key Take Away : The conclave will ultimately display key land use planning tools, decision making processes and emphasize new alternatives with legal limitations. It may further outline common constitutional problems in land-use laws, while exploring solutions and challenges in urban development for built and natural environment, regional development & economic growth for "VIKASIT BHARAT" sustainability.

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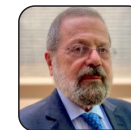
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