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## Speaker Profiles

Session 1: Foundational Principles of Regulation of  
Online Content and Platforms



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Aradhya Sethia is currently a Yale Fox international fellow at the Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies, University of Melbourne. He is also an LL.M. candidate at Yale Law School, where he is an Inlaks Scholar and Lloyd N. Cutler Scholar. Before joining Yale, Aradhya received B.A. LL.B (Hons.) from National Law School, Bangalore, where he was declared the Best Outgoing Student, and won three gold medals. He has previously clerked with Justice D.Y. Chandrachud of the Supreme Court of India, and Justice Ravindra Bhat of the Delhi High Court. He is currently serving as an articles editor of the Yale Journal of International Law, and is a resident fellow at Yale Information Society Project. Aradhya has been widely published, including by the Oxford University Press. Previously, he has served as an editor of the National Law School of India Review, the editor-in-chief of the Indian Journal of Law and Technology, and the Joint Convener of the Legal Services Clinic, Bangalore. Aradhya will study how internal activities of political parties are regulated in Australia and India, and the lessons that courts, election commissions, legislators, and political parties from other federal parliamentary democracies can draw from Australian and Indian experiences.



### **ALOK PRASANNA KUMAR**

Alok Prasanna Kumar is a Senior Resident Fellow and heads the Bengaluru office of the Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy. He obtained his BA LL.B (Hons) degree from the NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad in 2008 and then obtained his BCL from the University of Oxford. He practiced as an advocate in Delhi between 2009 and 2013 the chambers of Mr Mohan Parasaran who was then Additional Solicitor General and later, Solicitor General of India. As an advocate, he worked in areas of taxation law, constitutional law, administrative law, among other areas. He was part of the founding team of Vidhi in 2013 and led the Judicial Reforms Vertical at Vidhi. He is a columnist for the Economic and Political Weekly and writes regularly for academic journals and other media outlets on the judiciary, and constitutional law and theory.



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### **SHASHANK MOHAN**

Shashank Mohan is a lawyer and policy researcher working at the intersection of technology and society. His work at SFLC.in (Software Freedom Law Centre, India) revolves around subjects like - privacy and data protection, intermediary liability, online free-speech, open-access to knowledge and information and internet shutdowns. In the past he's consulted with the Governments of Rajasthan and Sikkim on education policy and strongly believes in evidence based and human rights respecting policy making.