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A SOUTH INDIAN ADVOCATE AT THE GLOBAL LEGAL FORUM

Advocate **Katragadda Siri Swathi** represents Viswa Samudra Group at the International Bar Association Conference 2026



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GLOBAL DIALOGUE
FOR A STRONGER LEGAL TOMORROW

IBA CONFERENCE 2026 | COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

The International Bar Association (IBA) Annual Conference brings together legal practitioners, arbitration experts, members of the judiciary and thought leaders from across the world to discuss contemporary legal challenges and opportunities in an increasingly interconnected global environment.



Representing Viswa Samudra Group

Advocate Katragadda Siri Swathi attended the IBA Conference 2026 in Copenhagen as a delegate representing Viswa Samudra Group, as part of a delegation of advocates from South India.

The conference provided a valuable platform to engage with global legal professionals, deepen understanding of international arbitration, and explore emerging legal issues shaping the future of dispute resolution.

Key Themes and Insights

- International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution
- Emerging Legal Issues and the Role of Technology & AI
- Disclosure Obligations, Transparency and Ethical Standards
- Cross-Border Transactions and Regulatory Compliance

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EMBASSY OF INDIA ENGAGEMENT

India–Denmark Green Strategic Partnership and India–EU Free Trade Agreement

Embassy of India Copenhagen



As part of the conference, the Embassy of India in Copenhagen hosted a special programme for the visiting Indian legal professionals, with a focus on the India–Denmark Green Strategic Partnership and the India–EU Free Trade Agreement (FTA).

The discussions highlighted the growing importance of international cooperation, sustainable development, trade and investment, and the role of the legal profession in facilitating cross-border business and managing legal risks.



Asia House Reception

The subsequent high tea and delegation gathering at Asia House on 5 October 2026 provided an opportunity for meaningful professional interaction and networking with members of the visiting delegation and the wider international legal community.

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PERSPECTIVES FOR A CONNECTED WORLD

RELEVANCE FOR CORPORATE LEGAL PRACTICE

CROSS-BORDER BUSINESS
Increasing international commercial relationships require robust contract management, risk allocation and regulatory compliance.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION
Exposure to global perspectives on arbitration practices and evolving legal frameworks strengthens corporate legal strategy.

TECHNOLOGY & AI
Discussions on AI and disclosure obligations emphasised the need for transparency, independence, accountability and ethical use of technology in legal practice.

GLOBAL COOPERATION
Reinforced the importance of constructive engagement between the legal profession, industry and diplomatic institutions.

> "These engagements were particularly meaningful in the context of representing Viswa Samudra Group. International legal forums provide valuable insights into emerging arbitration practices, evolving commercial frameworks and the legal considerations that shape international business relationships."

Katragadda Siri Swathi
Corporate Legal Professional
Indian Delegate, IBA Conference 2026
Copenhagen, Denmark



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ADVOCATE. PROFESSIONAL. GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE.

Strengthening Indian Legal Practice through International Dialogue

Advocate Katragadda Siri Swathi
Corporate Legal Professional
Representing Viswa Samudra Group

Advocate Katragadda Siri Swathi is a legal professional from South India with a strong focus on corporate advisory, commercial contracts, regulatory compliance and dispute resolution. Her participation in the IBA Conference 2026 in Copenhagen reflects a commitment to continuous learning, international engagement and the integration of global best practices into Indian legal practice.

The experience strengthened her appreciation of the contribution that Indian legal professionals, particularly from South India, can make to the global legal dialogue, and reinforced the value of combining strong domestic legal foundations with global awareness, ethical responsibility and a commercially informed approach to law.

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01 / INTERNATIONAL LEGAL DIALOGUE

A global forum for a stronger legal tomorrow

The International Bar Association (IBA) Annual Conference brings together legal practitioners, arbitration experts, members of the judiciary and thought leaders from across the world. Its programme creates space to examine contemporary legal challenges, exchange professional experience and consider how law can respond to an increasingly interconnected global economy.



CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Katragadda Siri Swathi attended the IBA Conference 2026 in Copenhagen as part of a delegation representing Viswa Samudra Group, alongside advocates from South India. The conference offered an opportunity to engage with global legal professionals and observe the ideas shaping international legal practice.

WHY THE DIALOGUE MATTERS

Cross-border matters increasingly call for legal advisers who understand different systems, commercial expectations and dispute-resolution pathways. International forums help build that perspective through direct professional exchange.



02 / STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

Building bridges beyond the courtroom

The conference setting also brought attention to the growing relationship between India and Denmark. The India–Denmark Green Strategic Partnership and the India–EU Free Trade Agreement formed an important backdrop for discussions on international cooperation, sustainable development, trade and investment.





PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT

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Asia House reception
A subsequent gathering provided a setting for professional interaction and networking with members of the visiting delegation and the wider international legal community.

03 / KEY THEMES AND INSIGHTS

Perspectives for a connected world

International legal dialogue is most valuable when it connects global developments with the realities of corporate and commercial practice. Several themes stand out for Indian legal professionals working with businesses, institutions and cross-border counterparties.

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CROSS-BORDER BUSINESS

International commercial relationships require robust contract management, clear allocation of risk and awareness of regulatory obligations.

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DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Exposure to international arbitration practices and evolving legal frameworks can strengthen dispute strategy and the assessment of remedies.

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TECHNOLOGY & AI

Discussions on technology and AI underline the importance of transparency, accountability, data protection and ethical use in legal services.

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GLOBAL COOPERATION

Constructive engagement between the legal profession, industry and public institutions supports shared understanding and practical collaboration.

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> **Katragadda Siri Swathi**
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> Corporate Legal Professional





04 / ADVOCATE • PROFESSIONAL • GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

A professional outlook shaped by global dialogue



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