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Practice Groups
• Financial Services
• Regulatory

Smrithi is a Partner and part of the **Financial Services and Regulatory practice groups**. She specialises in derivatives, treasury products and structuring marked linked debt issuances. Her advisory extends to various industry bodies like International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., International Capital Market Association, International Securities Lending Association, Fixed Income Money Market and Derivatives Association of India, Indian Banks' Association, global and domestic banks and financial institutions, insurance companies, offshore funds, corporates, and renewable energy platforms, offering them comprehensive guidance.

She has rich experience in the payments and settlement systems ecosystem. She assists **stock exchanges and clearing corporations for setting up new segments including amending their norms and advises financial services market participants as regards risk mitigants for their exposures to and participation in central counterparty clearing houses (CCPs)**, all while keeping in mind global regulatory standards and domestic and global market practices.

She lends an occasional helping hand in her previous practice areas: **capital markets and real estate**.

Known for her dedication to a solution-oriented **methodology, balancing law, compliances, and business dynamics**.

Beyond her legal endeavours, she's a **passionate traveller, and an avid explorer embracing various adventure sports with surfing and Kalarippayattu** being her latest exploits.

Awards and Recognitions:

- Recognized as a **India's Future Legal Leaders** by **India Business Law Journal 2026**.
- Endorsed as a **Leading Lawyer - Rising Star Partner** for 'Financial Services Regulatory' in the **2025-26 edition of IFLR1000 for the year 2025-26**.
- Distinguished as a **Notable Practitioner** for 'Capital Markets' in **2025 Edition of Asialaw**.
- Endorsed as a **Leading Lawyer - Rising Star Partner** for 'Financial Services Regulatory' in the **2024-25 edition of IFLR1000 for the year 2024-25**.
- Distinguished as a **Leading Lawyer** for 'Capital Markets' in the **3rd Edition Legal Era Leading Lawyers India Rankings 2024-25**.
- Distinguished as a **Notable Practitioner** for 'Capital Markets' in **Asialaw Profiles and Leading Lawyers 2024-25 Edition**.
- Endorsed as a **Leading Lawyer – Rising Star Partner** for 'Financial Services Regulatory' in the **33rd edition of IFLR1000** for the year 2023.
- Distinguished as a **Notable Practitioner** for 'Capital Markets' in **Asialaw Profiles and Leading Lawyers 2023-24 Edition**.
- Ranked as a **Recommended Lawyer** for 'Fintech' and 'Financial Services Regulatory' in **the Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2023 Edition**.
- Enlisted in the **Forbes Legal Powerlist 2022** (Below 10 years' experience) as one of the **Top 100 Individual Lawyers** for Banking & Finance, Capital Markets & Securities Laws.
- Recognized by **Asian Legal Business – “India top Female Lawyers 2022”**
- Shortlisted as a Finalist for the category of **“Rising Star of the Year – APAC”** in the 2022 edition of **“Women in Business Law Awards 2022 – APAC”** by Euromoney.