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Dinusha Mendis is Professor of Intellectual Property & Innovation Law and Co-Director of the Centre for Intellectual Property Policy and Management (CIPPM). Professor Mendis specialises in digital aspects of Intellectual Property (IP) Law, in particular digital aspects of copyright law, having gained her PhD from the University of Edinburgh in this field.

Professor Mendis's recent research and projects have included considering the challenges to Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) as a result of Emerging Technologies, such as the IP implications of 3D Printing (3DP). She is the author of one of the first peer-reviewed academic articles to be published in the field of 3DP and IP Law and has been invited to speak on the topic at the European Parliament; EU Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO); academic institutions (UK and abroad); and for blue-chip industry clients such as HSBC, Virgin, BAE Systems, Jaguar Land Rover, BBC and Zurich.

In 2015, Professor Mendis completed a Commissioned Project for the UK Intellectual Property Office on the IP implications of 3D Printing and is currently completing another funded project (funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council) exploring the copyright, design, licensing and contractual issues arising from 3D Printing, 3D Scanning and Mass Customisation of Ancient and Modern Jewellery – the findings of which will be highlighted as part of the presentation.