

Is There Anything Asian about International Law in Asia, and Should There Be?

「アジアの国際法にアジア的なものはあるか、あるべきか？」

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Sunday, June 29, 2025

Chuo University, Myogadani Campus, Tokyo
(Hybrid conference)

Morning Session (in English)

Keynote Lecture by NAKAGAWA Junji (Professor, Chuo Gakuin University; Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo)
"International Economic Law with Asian Elements?"



Afternoon Session (in English and Japanese)

- Panel 1 Asia and the Regionality of International Law (in Japanese)
- Panel 2 Cooperation and Competition in the Asian Context (in English)
- Panel 3 Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Asia (in English)
- Panel 4 Asian Approach to Dispute Settlement (in English)
- Panel 5 Asian Contribution to International Law (in English)

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11:00-12:20 [UTC+9] Morning Session (in English)

Keynote Lecture

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14:00-16:30 [UTC+9] Afternoon Session (in English and Japanese)

■ 第1分科会 (Panel 1) 国際法の地域性とアジア (Asia and the Regionality of International Law) [in Japanese]

- 梅島修 (高崎経済大学名誉教授)
「ASEAN FTA の付加価値基準・政府認証はアジア的規律たりえるか」
- 澤田真治 (防衛大学校教授)
「中南米の地域法廷の展開とアジアへの視座」
- 谷川幹 (国際教養大学教授)
「デジタルプラットフォームにおける投稿管理と国際人権法の原理の適用」
- 中井愛子 (大阪公立大学教授)
「地域的国際法はあるべきか否か：「米州国際法」をめぐる戦間期の議論とアジア」

■ Panel 2 Cooperation and Competition in the Asian Context

- **HU Shixue** (Assistant Professor, Chinese University of Hong Kong)
“An Asian Approach Towards State-Capitalism?: Evidence from SOE Provisions in RTAs”
- **Aishwarya NARAYANAN** (Consultant, International Trade Centre)
“From Trade to Tariffs: Enhancing Economic Cooperation in Asia in the Midst of Global Uncertainty”
- **David TILT** (Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Tokyo)
“International Law and the Conceptual Scope of National Security: How Does Japan Compare Globally?”
- **ZHONG Hui** (Associate Professor, School of Law, Xiamen University)
“Rethinking the Issue of Sunken State Vessels: An East Asian Context”

■ Panel 3 Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Asia

- **Bhumika NANDA** (Assistant Professor, School of Law, Bennett University)
“International Criminal Court at 20: Questioning the Contemporary Relevance of the Rome Statute in the South Asian Context”
- **Atul ALEXANDER** (Assistant Professor, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences)
“Asian State Practice and Diplomatic Asylum: In Quest for Locating Regional Customary International Law”
- **Ondřej SVOBODA** (Diplomat, Embassy of the Czech Republic in Japan)
ISHIKAWA Tomoko (Professor, Graduate School of International Development, Nagoya University)
“Emerging “Asian” Grievance Mechanisms for Human Rights Violations?”
- **SATO Yasunobu** (Special Researcher, Waseda University Institute of Asia Pacific Studies)
“Asia Pro Bono Conference for Promotion of “Rule of Law” in Asia”

■ Panel 4 Asian Approach to Dispute Settlement

- **ICHIHARA Masako** (Program-Specific Assistant Professor, Kyoto University)
“Climate Litigation in Asia: Regional contexts, Features and Prospects”
- **Leonardo F SOUZA-McMURTRIE** (PhD Candidate, University of Cambridge)
“Does Culture Influence Treaty Litigation?”
- **Jan FELIX von ALTEN** (Scientific Assistant, Frankfurt University)
“Is There Room for An effet atténué asiatique of the Public Policy Reservation in Japanese Private International Law?”
- **DAO Thi Ha Trang** (Master’s student, Tohoku University)
“Japan’s Approach to Dispute Settlement under UNCLOS: Shaping Regional Custom in the Law of the Sea”

■ Panel 5 Asian Contribution to International Law

- **Mark Darryl CANIBAN** (Associate Solicitor III, Office of the Solicitor General of the Philippines)
“A Chip Off the Old Asian Block: ASEAN Law as a Subset and a Superset of Asian International Law in Shaping Regional Legal Frameworks and Influencing Broader Institutional Models”
- **Xuan W. TAY** (Visiting Doctoral Researcher, New York University)
“Caricatures of “Asia” : How Euro-American and Asian Narratives Interact to Sustain Orientalism and Self-Orientalism in International Law”
- **Dita LILIANSA** (Research Fellow, National University of Singapore)
“Decolonising Naval Warfare Law: Can Small and Middle Powers Influence Its Evolution?”
- **Ümit Barış BAYINDIR** (Research Assistant, Marmara University)
“Provincializing Eurocentrism: Asian Legal Heterodoxy and the Contested Universalities of International Law”