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Day 1: 19 June

8:50-9:00: Introduction: Mindy Chen-Wishart and Ngoc Son Bui (The Cube)	
9-10	Plenary 1: Fernanda Pirie, Innovation and Conservatism in Historic Asian Laws
10:-10:15	Break
10:15-11:15: Session 1	
<p>Panel 1: Law, Region, and Morality I (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Justin Jones</p> <p>Parineeta Goswami: Legal Innovation in Hindu Law: The Intersection of Tradition, Modernity, and Gender Justice in Contemporary India</p> <p>Parkhi Saxena: Legal Innovation at the Intersection of Religion and Remedy: The Evolution of Irretrievable Breakdown Theory in Hindu Marriage Law</p> <p>Shainy Pancrasius & Bhagyalakshmi R: The Sacred Earth: Developing the Concept of Eco-Religious Laws to Reconcile Religious Practices with Environmental Sustainability in India</p>	<p>Panel 2: Law and Technology I (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p> <p>Li Zhiyu & Benjamin Chen: Can Artificial Intelligence Democratize Law?</p> <p>Meihui Zhang & Chi Zhang: The Political Economy of the FinTech Regulation in China and Its Implications</p> <p>Thao Vy Ngo Nguyen & Quoc Hung Nguyen: Ren, Rules, and AI: Reimagining Vietnam's Medical Ethics and Healthcare Law</p>
11:15-11:30	Break
11:30-12:30: Session 2	
<p>Panel 3: Law, Religion, and Morality II (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Fitzroy Morrissey</p> <p>Jaroslav Turlukowski: Islamic Legal Instruments in Kazakhstan's Private Law: Implants or Legislative Evolution?</p> <p>Joshua Teng: Politics, Race, and Religion in Malaysian Private Law: Innovation or Unorthodoxy?</p>	<p>Panel 4: Law and Technology II (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p> <p>Jing Wang & Mengyi Mei: Short-Video Copyright Infringement and Its Impact on Fair Competition: The Role of Short-Video Sharing Platforms in China</p> <p>Shangxuan Wu: Between Digital Power and Data Rights: Ascertaining the New Security Boundary of China's Cross-Border Data Flow Regulation (Withdrawn)</p>

Hannah Klöber & Marianne von Blomberg: Rethinking the law-morality relationship: Chinese legal voices on “Socialist Core Values”	Leon Y. Xiao: Better than Industry Self-Regulation: Compliance of Mobile Games with Newly Adopted and Actively Enforced Loot Box Probability Disclosure Law in South Korea
12:30-2pm:	Lunch
2-3pm: session 3	
<p>Panel 5: Courts I (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p> <p>Fabian Duessel: Judicial diplomacy in Asia: A new approach</p> <p>Prisca Listiningrum: Legal Mobilisation as Legal Innovation Towards Discursive Climate Constitutionalism in Asia</p> <p>Ying Xia: Protecting the Unprotected: The Strategic Use of Environmental Public Interest Litigation by Chinese NGOs to Enhance Animal Protection</p>	<p>Panel 6: Law and the Market I (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p> <p>LI Yuanye: The Transmission Mechanism of ESG Strategies in Chinese Corporate Groups: Examining Parent-Subsidiary Relationships</p> <p>Jie Zeng: Party-Centric Corporate Governance in China: The Legalisation of the Chinese Communist Party’s Engagement in State-owned Enterprise Governance</p> <p>Gaurav Pathak: Regulatory Innovation through Authority: A Critical Analysis of India's Central Consumer Protection Authority's Functioning (2020-2024)</p>
3-3:15 pm	Break
3:15-4:15:pm: session 4	
<p>Panel 7: Courts II (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p> <p>Ayako Hatano: Transnational Legal Mobilisation and Strategic Litigation for Marriage Equality in Japan</p> <p>Shivani Singh: Evolving Parameters of Judicial Review of Legislation on the Anvil of Fundamental Rights in India over a decade (2014-2024) (withdrew)</p> <p>Ishita Sharma: The Fabric of Law: Unravelling Constitutional Dialogism in Indian Legal Landscape</p> <p>Atharva Sontakke: Can inconsistency be an innovation? Judicial behaviour and the fate of Western legal transplants in India</p>	<p>Panel 8: Law and the Market II (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Natalie Mrockova</p> <p>Chieh Huang: Transnational Activism for Sustainability: A Taiwanese NGO as a Norm Entrepreneur</p> <p>Eimys Ortiz-Hernández: Legal Innovation in Trade Agreements: The EU-South Korea FTA and Its Role in Shaping Asian Trade Law</p> <p>Shouyu Chong: Conflicting choice of court and arbitration agreements in commercial contracts – Lessons and solutions from Asian jurisdictions</p>
4:15-4:30 pm	Break
4:30-5: 30 pm: session 5	

<p>Panel 9: Law and Society (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p> <p>Kai-Fang (Rebecca) Lin: Bridging Law and Society in Taiwan Through Citizen Judges</p> <p>Yi-Chen Huang: Contested Pathways to Citizenship: Navigating Hong Kongers as Interstitial Citizenship within Taiwan's Investor Residence Scheme and the UK BNO Visa Scheme</p> <p>Derek Chien: The Utopia Not Yet Found: Seeing Taiwan's Human Rights Futurity through Undocumented Migrant Workers</p>	<p>Panel 10: Law and the Market III (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p> <p>Surbhi Kapur: Statutory Imaginaries in Indian Insolvency Laws: Advancing the spirit of economic constitutionalism?</p> <p>Sheetal Gahlot: Role of Taxation in Building a Sustainable Textile Industry: Study of Select Asian Countries and European Standards</p> <p>Dermot Cahill & Jing Wang: Addressing Competition Law's response to the Digital Transition: A comparative study of China and the EU's legislative intervention</p>
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6: 30 pm: Dinner: Cosy Club, 20 Cornmarket St, Oxford OX1 3EY

Day 2:

9-10	Plenary 2: Tarun Khaitan: Decolonising the Decolonisation Discourse (The Cube)
10-10:15	Break
10:15-11:15: Session 6	
<p>Panel 11: Constitutional Law I (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p> <p>Ming-Sung Kuo: Amending the Dual Constituent Deficit: Taiwan's Tragic Deliberative Choice in the Constitutional Quest for Sovereignty</p> <p>Michael Pal: The Evolution of Fourth Branch Constitutionalism</p> <p>Jingyi von Strasser Osnabrück: From Implementation of the Constitution to a Shifting Interpretation of Legality: The Recording and Review System in Chinese Law as a Legal Instrument to Enhance the Legitimacy of the Party</p>	<p>Panel 12: Human Rights I (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p> <p>Zuzanna Kopania: The Future of Biometric Surveillance Regulations in the People's Republic of China</p> <p>Elena Sherstoboeva & Valentina Pavlenko: New Laws, Old Effects: Assessing the Chilling Effect of Fake News Laws in Asia</p> <p>Washik Muhammod Istiaq Ezaz: The Universal Periodic Review as a Tool for Legitimizing Cyber Censorship in Bangladesh</p>
11:15-11:30	Break
11:30-12:30: Session 7	
<p>Panel 13: Constitutional Law II (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p>	<p>Panel 14: Human Rights II (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p>

<p>Sarah Bishop: Innovation in Court Decision Styles: Origins and Impacts of the Thai Constitutional Court's Central Decision</p> <p>Yi-Yi LEE: Legitimacy for a Collaborative or Uncooperative Constitutional Adjudication: Lessons from Taiwan's 2024 Political Landscape</p> <p>Yueduan Wang: "Rule of Law Is the New Political Line": Communist Party-led Campaigns Against Extrajudicial Intervention</p>	<p>Kuan-Wei Chen & Shih-An Wang: An Innovating Constitutional Practice: How Does Facial Recognition Technology Interact with Privacy Protections in East Asian Democracies?</p> <p>Yukio Sakurai: Advance Decision-Making for Future Disability in East Asia: An Attempt at Legislative Innovation</p> <p>Ishani Mookherjee: Understanding 'Choice' in Disability-Selective Abortions Through the Feminist Ethics of Care: An Indian Perspective</p>
12:30-2pm:	Lunch
2-3pm: Session 8	
<p>Panel 15: Civil Law I (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p> <p>Igor Szpotakowski: Three Stages of Decodification of the 2020 Chinese Civil Code: Using the Property Management Services Contract as an Example</p> <p>Xiang Xixi: Unravelling the Problem of Contract Deadlock in Chinese Law: Balancing Sanctity of Contract and Good Faith in Contract Performance</p> <p>Chetna Chandel: The Penalty Conundrum</p>	<p>Panel 16: Social Law I (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Ngoc Son Bui</p> <p>Melvin Loh Guo Wei: Innovating Family Law in Singapore: Mediation and Therapeutic Justice in Practice</p> <p>Md Al Ifran Hossain Mollah: The Asymmetry between State Obligations and Private Moral Obligations: An Appraisal of the Parents Maintenance Act, 2013 in Bangladesh</p> <p>Muhammad Bahrul Ulum: Job Creation Law's Omnibus Approach as Legal Innovation in Indonesia: Reform, Resistance, and Contested Impacts (Withdrawn)</p> <p>Mihika Poddar, Leading the Way? Non-Binary Recognition and Legal Innovation in South Asia</p>
3-3:15 pm	Break
3:15-4:15:pm: session 9	
<p>Civil Law II (The Cube)</p> <p>Moderator: Mindy Chen-Wishart</p> <p>Mao-hong Lin: The Emerging Private Logic in Taiwan's Criminal Law</p> <p>Nam Giang Do & Khoi Trong Dao: Three Chances Wasted: The Resisted Transplantation of Real Rights Doctrines in Vietnamese Property Law</p>	<p>Panel 18: Social Law II (Seminar Room D)</p> <p>Moderator: Nicholas Barber</p> <p>Yang Qiu: Constitutional 'Regeneration': Revitalising the Collective Memories of Heroes and Martyrs in China</p> <p>Clement Chang: Protection of Cultural Property and Heritage in Asia</p>

Le Thi Kim Oanh: Navigating Legal Transplantation: The Doctrine of Changed Circumstances in Vietnamese Civil Code Reform	Shubham Jain: The Sports Regulatory Board of India: Institutional Innovation to improve Sports Governance Temitope Omotola Odusanya, Legal Innovations for Gender Parity in Asia: Exploring Political Participation Reforms
4:15-4:30 pm	Break
4:30-5:00 pm: Concluding remarks: Mindy Chen-Wishart and Ngoc Son Bui (The Cube)	

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