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INTRODUCTION

The Institute of Business Law and Comparative Law & Politics (IBC) was established within the Graduate Schools for Law and Politics, University of Tokyo, in April 2006.

The IBC conducts its research activities through the two divisions of the BLC and ICCLP. The BLC carries out general theoretical and practical research on business law, and comprehensive research on the pedagogy of educating legal practitioners. The ICCLP promotes international research and education in the fields of Law and Politics.

The objectives of the IBC are to promote advanced research and collaboration among leading Japanese and foreign scholars and practitioners; to encourage the practical application of their research; and to promote research and education for the next generation of young scholars. The IBC undertakes these endeavours based on the three keywords of people, place and information: ‘the creation of human networks’, ‘a place for research and exchange’, and the ‘dissemination of information’.

ACTIVITIES

SYMPOSIA

The 59th Comparative Law and Politics Symposium



Title: Global Trends in Corporate Governance and M&A

Date: 5 August 2019

Venue: Yayoi Auditorium, Ichijo Hall, The University of Tokyo

Moderator: Professor GOTO Gen

Topic: “Corporate Governance and Institutional Investors: Do Stewardship Codes make any difference?”

Speaker: Roger Barker, Head of Corporate Governance, Institute of Directors, UK

Topic: “Stewardship in Korea and Corporate Governance Implications”

Speaker: Sang Yop Kang, Professor, Peking University, School of Transnational Law

Topic: “Stewardship in Asia and Singapore”

Speaker: Dan Puchniak, Associate Professor, National University of Singapore

Topic: “State Intervention in International M&A”

Speaker: Jacques Buhart, Partner, McDermott Will Emery, Paris and Brussels

Topic: “China as a ‘National Strategic Buyer’: Toward a Multilateral Regime for Cross-Border M&A”

Speaker: Curtis Milhaupt, Professor, Stanford Law School

Topic: “The Dark Side of Bank Resolution: Counterparty Risk through Bail-in”

Speaker: Wolf-Georg Ringe, Professor University of Hamburg

(*Supported by SHOJIHOMU Co., Ltd.)

The 60th Comparative Law and Politics Symposium

Title: Trends and Practices in Corporate Governance: Effort to Strengthen the International Competitiveness of Japanese Businesses

Date: 19 February 2020

Venue: Yayoi Auditorium, Ichijo Hall, The University of Tokyo

Opening Remarks: Professor KARATSU Keiichi

Speakers:

Professor KANSAKU Hiroyuki; MATSUMOTO Kayo, Director, Corporate Accounting, Disclosure and CSR Policy Office, Economic and Industrial Policy Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry;

AKIYAMA Kenta, Managing Director, LAZARD FRÈRES K.K.; ASAOKA Yoshiyuki, Partner, Nishimura & Asahi;

UCHIGASAKI Shigeru, General Manager, HR Strategy Consulting Services Division, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation; ONODA Takashi, Group Manager, Corporate Legal Services Group 1, Legal Affairs Division, TOSHIBA CORPORATION

Closing remarks: TAKEI Kazuhiro, Partner, Nishimura & Asahi

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BLC

<Visiting Professors>

April 2019-March 2020

ASATSUMA Akiyuki, Professor, College of Law and Politics, Rikkyo University

April 2019-March 2020

KOBAYASHI Masaaki, Former Vice Minister, Ministry of Environment, President & Representative Director, JESCO

April 2019-March 2020

MOTOMURA Takeshi, Partner, Iwata Godo

<Business Law Lecture>

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<Study Meetings>

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<International Internship Program>

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<Publication>

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ICCLP

<Visiting Professors>

March 2019-August 2019

J. Mark Ramseyer, Professor, Harvard Law School

April 2019-March 2020

YOSHIDA Takafumi, The Asahi Shimbun

<ICCLP Researcher>

April 2019-March 2020

KAWAGUCHI Hirofumi

<Comparative Law and Politics Seminars>

260th Comparative Law and Politics Seminar-22 March 2019

Topic: Thinking About Rural Credit Markets and Land Reform

Speaker: Mark Ramseyer, Professor, Harvard Law School

Moderator: Professor NAKAZATO Minoru

(*Co-sponsored by Tokyo College)

261st Comparative Law and Politics Seminar-12 July 2019

Topic: Sexual Harassment Law and the #Me Too Movement in the United States

(*See p.8 53rd Transnational Law Seminar)

262nd Comparative Law and Politics Seminar-17 January 2020

Topic: The interpretation of law according to Montesquieu: a discussion with jusnaturalism

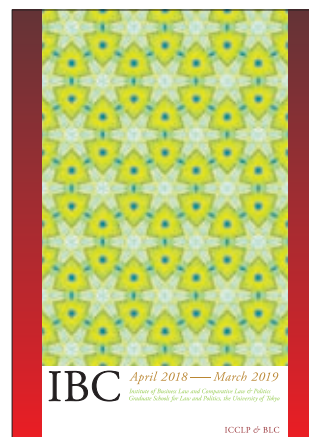
Speaker: Gabrielle Radica, Professor, University of Lille, Visiting Professor, Yokohama National University

Moderator: Professor KAWADE Yoshie

(*Co-sponsored by the Colloquium “The Recognition of the Plurality of the world: A Comparative study of early modern Japan, China and Europe ” (JSPS KAKENHI Grant Number 18K00097))

<Publication>

IBC April 2018-March 2019 (10 April 2019)



<Supporting the School of Law>

Summer School

Date: 6-11 August 2019

Venue: Mitsui & Co., Ltd. Human Resources Development Center (Atami, Shizuoka)

Title: Global Trends in Corporate Governance and M&A

Topics: Overview, German Corporate Law and Ownership Patterns, Shareholders Activism: A Comparative European Perspective, Independent Directors in Asia, Regulatory Competition in Corporate Law, Corporate Governance and Corporate Innovation, The Role of the Delaware Judiciary in US Corporate Governance, Puzzle of Controlling Shareholder Arrangements, Controlling Shareholder Transactions, Internal Transactions in Corporate Groups, Protecting Minority Shareholders from Blockholders, Derivative Actions in Asia, Corporate Governance and Directors Compensation

Number of participants: 48 from Japan, 9 from Korea, China and Singapore

Teaching staff: Dr. Roger Barker, Head of Corporate Governance, Institute of Directors, UK; Jacques Buhart, Partner, McDermott Will & Emery; Sang Yop Kang, Professor, Peking University School of Transnational Law; Curtis Milhaupt, Professor, Stanford Law School; Dan Puchniak, Associate Professor, National University of Singapore; Wolf-Georg Ringe, Professor, University of Hamburg; Professor OSAWA Yutaka, Dean, Graduate Schools for Law and Politics; Professor HASHIZUME Takashi, Dean, School of Law; Professor KARATSU Keiichi; Professor HIRANO Haruo; Project Associate Professor James Fisher



Michigan-Columbia Exchange Project

From Michigan Law School

5 May-1 June 2019 Professor Nicholas Howson

31 May-16 June 2019 Professor Edward Fox

From Columbia Law School

13 May-5 June 2019 Professor Jane Ginsburg

To Michigan Law School

3 March-15 March 2020 Professor HARATA Hisashi

*Since the campus of University of Michigan was closed in order to prevent spreading of COVID-19, a planned visit by another professor was cancelled.

To Columbia Law School

7 February-17 February 2020 Professor NAKAZATO Minoru

28 February-16 March 2020 Associate Professor HARA Etsuko

Transnational Law Seminar

53rd Transnational Law Seminar-12 July 2019

Topic: Sexual Harassment Law and the #Me Too Movement in the United States

Speaker: Trina Jones, Jerome M. Culp Professor of Law, Duke Law School

Moderator: Professor ASAKA Kichimoto

(*Co-sponsored by 261st Comparative Law and Politics Seminar)

<Endowed Chair in 'Politics and Mass Media (*Asahi Shimbun*)>

Special Guests for the Class for 'Politics and Mass Media'

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<Supporting 'Japanese-French Legal Studies Conference'>

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- University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics* Vol. 12, 31 August 2015
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 11, 25 December 2014
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 10, 31 March 2013
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 9, 31 March 2012 (*Special Issue ‘The Study of Politics Across Levels and Borders: In Memory of Professor Susumu Takahashi’)
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 8, 31 March 2011
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 7, 31 March 2010
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 6, 31 March 2009
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 5, 31 March 2008 (*Special Issue by the University of Tokyo 21st Century COE Program ‘Invention of Policy Systems in Advanced Countries’)
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 4, 31 March 2007
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 3, 31 March 2006
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 2, 31 March 2005
University of Tokyo Journal of Law and Politics Vol. 1, 31 March 2004

ICCLP Publications (English, Japanese and other language)

- No.14: *Japanese Reports for the XXth International Congress of Comparative Law (Fukuoka, 22-28 July 2018)/Japanese Reports for the Third Thematic Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law (Montevideo, 16-18 November 2016)*, 4 February 2019
- No.13: *Japanese Reports for the XIXth International Congress of Comparative Law (Vienna, 20-26 July 2014)/Japanese Reports for the Second Thematic Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law (Taiwan, 24-26 May 2012)* 25 May 2015
- No.12: *VIII^{èmes} JOURNEES JURIDIQUES FRANCO-JAPONAISES “L’INFORMATION” (Tokyo, 26-27 septembre 2011)*, 14 February 2012 (Japanese)
- No.11: *Japanese Reports for the XVIIIth International Congress of Comparative Law (Washington, 25 July-1 August 2010)*, 15 July 2011
- No.10: *Japanese Reports for the XVIIth International Congress of Comparative Law (Utrecht, 16-22 July 2006)*, 25 December 2007
- No.9: *The Proceedings of the Second Anglo-Japanese Academy (7-11 January 2006)*, 31 March 2006
- No.8: *Nippaku Hikakuhō oyobi Zainichi Burajirujin Shūrōsha ni kansuru Shinpojiumu Hōkokushū /Relatório do Simpósio Internacional de Direito Comparado: Trabalhadores Brasileiros no Japão*, 31 March 2003
- No.7: *Anglo-Japanese Academy Proceedings*, 25 March 2002
- No.6: *Setsuritsu 5-shūnen Kinen Hikaku Hōsei Shinpojiumu Hōkokushū (Proceedings of the 5th Anniversary Comparative Law and Politics Symposium)*, 30 November 1999
- No.5: *Nihon-Burajiru Hikakuhō Shinpojiumu Hōkokushū (Relatório do Simpósio de Direito Comparado: Brasil-Japão)*, 30 June 1999
- No.4: *Japanese Reports for the 16th International Congress of Comparative Law (31 July-6 August 1994)*, 1 March 1995

- No.3: *Proceedings of the Symposium: 'Dutch and Japanese Laws Compared' (9-10 November 1992)*, 1 March 1993
- No.2: *Proceedings of the International Colloquium of the International Association of Legal Science: The Social Role of the Legal Profession (3-6 September 1991)*, 1 February 1993
- No.1: *Japanese Reports for the 13th International Congress of Comparative Law*, 1 May 1991

Sofuto Lō Kenkyū (Soft Law Journal)(Japanese)

No.30, March 2020; No.29, August 2019; No.28, August 2018; No.27, August 2017; No.26, August 2016; No.25, August 2015; No.24, December 2014; No.23, March 2014; No.22, August 2013

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Annual Report (English and Japanese)

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Review (English and Japanese)

ICCLP Review:

Volume5, Number2, 31 October 2002; Volume5, Number1, 31 March 2002; Volume4, Number2, 30 September 2001; Volume4, Number1, 31 March 2001; Volume3, Number2, 30 September 2000; Volume3, Number 1, 31 March 2000; Volume2, Number2, 30 September 1999; Volume2, Number 1, 31 March 1999; Volume1, Number 2, 30 September 1998; Volume1, Number 1, 31 March 1998

Newsletter (English and Japanese)

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Hikaku Hōsei Kenkyū Shirīzu (Series of Studies of Comparative Law and Politics)(Japanese)

- No.7: *EU Rōdōhō Keiseikatei no Bunseki* (2), Keiichiro Hamaguchi, 1 September 2005
- No.6: *EU Rōdōhō Keiseikatei no Bunseki* (1), Keiichiro Hamaguchi, 1 September 2005
- No.5: *Intānetto (Internet) Jidai no Syōken Torihiki Kisei* (The regulatory system for dealing securities in the internet age), Sadakazu Ōsaki, 15 December 2004
- No.4: *Hōjin no Keijisyobatsu ni tsuite* (Concerning criminal punishments for corporations), Hideo Takasaki, 30 November 2003

No.3: *Chihō Seifu no Zaisei Jichi to Zaisei Tōsei: Nichibei Hikakuron* (The self-government and control of finances in regional administration: a comparison of Japan and the US), Toshiyuki Otaki, 30 June 2002

No.2: *Kaihatsutojōkoku no Ruisekisaimu Mondai to Hō* (Law and the debt problem of developing nations), Nobiru Adachi, 29 February 2000

No.1: *Rōn Pātishipēsyon* (Loan participation), Masabumi Yamane, 29 February 2000

Yōroppa Seiji kenkyū Sōsho (Series of Studies of European Politics)(Japanese)

No.2: *Kaihatsu Enryo ni okeru Naizaiteki Genkai* (The Inherent Limitations of Development Aid), Yuka Motoda, 15 September 2005

No.1: *Konmei no Doitsu* (Germany in Deadlock), Hiroki Yasui, 31 July 2005

Collected Papers (English)

Beyond Paradoxology: Searching for the Logic of Japanese History, Shiro Ishii, 2007

The University of Tokyo Business Law Working Paper Series

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