



Centre for Comparative and Transnational Law Comparative Constitutional Law Research Forum

PROGRAMME

Symposium on the Law and Politics of Unconstitutional Constitutional Amendments in Asia

Day 1: Thursday, 19 November 2020

9:00-9:15 AM – Welcome Remarks: Lutz-Christian Wolff, Dean, Wei Lun Professor of Law, CUHK LAW

9:15-9:45 AM - Introduction to the Symposium: Rehan Abeyratne & Bui Ngoc Son, CUHK LAW

9:45-10:00 AM – Break

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM - Session 1, Chair: Stuart Hargreaves, Associate Professor, CUHK LAW

- Beyond Unconstitutionality: The Public Oversights of Constitutional Revision in Taiwan Jiunn-rong Yeh, Professor, National Taiwan University, College of Law
- The Theory and Practice of Constitutional Change in Modern China Ryan Mitchell, Assistant Professor, CUHK LAW
- Unamendability vs Unconstitutional Constitution: The Political Construction and Popular Discourse in Vietnam
 Bui Ngoc Son, Assistant Professor, CUHK LAW

12:00-1:00 PM - Lunch

1:00 – 3:30 PM – Session 2, Chair: Chris Roberts, Assistant Professor, CUHK LAW

- Judging Parliamentary Piety in Pakistan: Debating the Reach of Judicial Review Matthew Nelson, Reader, SOAS Department of Politics and International Studies
- Constitutional Politics over Unconstitutional Amendments: The Indian Experience Surya Deva, Associate Professor, City University's School of Law
- The Politics and the Discourse of Unconstitutional Constitutional Amendment in Bangladesh
 Ridwanul Hoque, Professor of Law, University of Dhaka; University Fellow, Charles Darwin University
- Limiting Constituent Power? Unconstitutional Constitutional Amendments and Time-Bound Constitution Making in Nepal

Mara Malagodi, Assistant Professor, CUHK LAW

Day 2: Friday, 20 November 2020

4:00 PM-6:00 PM – Session 3, Chair: Bui Ngoc Son, Assistant Professor, CUHK LAW

- The Politics of Unconstitutional Constitutional Amendment in Japan: The Case of the Pacifist Article 9 Koichi Nakano, Professor of Political Science, Dean, Sophia University Faculty of Liberal Arts
- The 'Basic Structure' Doctrine: A Rising Trajectory in Malaysian Constitutional Jurisprudence HP Lee, Emeritus Professor, Monash University Faculty of Law
- Thailand's Amendment Series (2012-2014): The Politics of Two Constitutionalisms Khemthong Tonsakulrungruang, Lecturer, Chulalongkorn University, Faculty of Law

6:00-7:00 PM - Dinner

7:00-9:00 PM - Session 4, Chair: Rehan Abeyratne, Associate Professor, CUHK LAW

- Commentary Andrew Harding, Visiting Research Professor, NUS Law
- Commentary Silvia Suteu, Lecturer in Public Law, UCL Faculty of Laws
- Commentary Yaniv Rozai, Associate Professor, Harry Radzyner Law School, IDC Herzliya
- Commentary Richard Albert, William Stamps Farish Professor in Law and Professor of Government at the University of Texas at Austin

9:00-9:30 PM - Session 5: Plenary Discussion and Next Steps, Chairs: Rehan Abeyratne & Bui Ngoc Son