

The Asian Law Institute (ASLI) Symposium

"Reflections on Legal Education in Asia"

Jointly organised by

International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM) and National University of Singapore (NUS)

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Day 1 – Thursday, 10 November 2005

9.30am Pick up participants from hotels
10.15am – 10.45am Registration

SESSION 1: KEYNOTE AND OVERVIEW—The Landscape Of Legal Education In Asia

10.45am - 12.30pm: **Master of Ceremony – Assoc Prof Gary F. Bell, NUS**

- ❖ Welcome Address & Presentation by Prof Nik Ahmad Kamal Nik Mahmud, International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM), Malaysia - The Importance of Understanding & Teaching Islamic Law in Asia
- ❖ Presentation by Prof Tan Cheng Han, S.C., National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore - Legal Education in Asia: An Overview

Q & A session

12.30pm – 2.00pm Lunch

SESSION 2: Survey Of Legal Education In China, Japan, Korea & Taiwan

2.00pm – 4.00pm: **Facilitator: Assoc Prof Eleanor Wong, NUS**

- ❖ Prof Lo Changfa, National Taiwan University (NTU), Taiwan – Possible Reform for Legal Education in Taiwan: A Refined J.D. System?
- ❖ Prof Nak-In Sung, Seoul National University (SNU), Korea – Reform of Korean Legal Education in the Age of Globalisation
- ❖ Prof Ding Linghua & Mr Lai Jinsheng, East China University of Politics and Law (ECUPL), China – Reflections on the History & Future of Chinese Legal Education
- ❖ Prof Zhang Zhiyong, Peking University (PKU), China - Challenges & Opportunities for Legal Education in China
- ❖ Prof Shiro Kawashima, Kyushu University, Japan – General Survey on the New Law School System and Education in Japan

Q & A Session

4.00pm – 4.15pm Tea Break

SESSION 3: Culture neutral? Are there Asian challenges for teaching specific subjects or skills?

4.15pm – 5.45 pm: **Facilitator: Assoc Prof Margaret Fordham, NUS**

- ❖ Assoc Prof Gary F. Bell, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore - The Teaching of Comparative Law in Asia
- ❖ Prof Afshin A-Khavari, Griffith University (GU), Australia - Internationalising Legal Education in Asia: Challenges, Opportunities & Possibilities
- ❖ Prof Ago Shin-Ichi, Kyushu University, Japan – Teaching Public International Law in New Law Schools in Japan
- ❖ Assoc Prof Eleanor Wong, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore - Teaching Legal Skills in Asia

Q & A Session

END OF SESSIONS

6.30pm – 7.00pm Cocktail Reception at Guild Hall, Guild House, NUSS
7.00pm – 9.00pm Dinner at Guild Hall

9.30am Pick up participants from hotels

SESSION 4: Are all Legal Skills created equal? Cultural starting points and their impact on teaching specific skills

10.15am – 11.45am: **Master of Ceremony – Assoc Prof Eleanor Wong, NUS**

Facilitator: Prof Johannes Chan, University of Hong Kong (HKU)

- ❖ Dr Felix W.H. Chan & Mr Wilson W.S. Chow, Hong Kong University (HKU), Hong Kong SAR – Developing Active Learning of Skills in Professional Legal Education – From Theory to Ethnography in Hong Kong
- ❖ Assoc Prof Jessica Y. K. Young, Hong Kong University (HKU), Hong Kong SAR – Drafting in Unfamiliar Territories
- ❖ Assistant Prof Helena Whalen-Bridge, National University of Singapore (NUS) – Toward a Comparative Rhetoric of Argument

Q & A Session

11.45am – 1.00pm Lunch

SESSION 5: Survey Of Legal Education In India, Indonesia, Malaysia & Thailand

1.00pm – 3.00pm: **Facilitator: Prof Tan Cheng Han, NUS**

- ❖ Prof V. Vijayakumar, National Law School of India University (NLSIU), India - Legal Education in India & the National Law School Experiment: Challenges Ahead
- ❖ Prof Ranbir Singh, NALSAR University of Law – Legal Education in India – Opportunities and Challenges
- ❖ Prof Hikmahanto Juwana, University of Indonesia (UI), Indonesia - Reforming Legal Education in Indonesia
- ❖ Prof Khaw Lake Tee, University of Malaya (UM), Malaysia - Legal Education in Malaysia – Some Reflections
- ❖ Prof Tithiphan Cheurboonchai, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand – Overview of Legal Education in Thailand

Q & A Session

END OF SESSIONS

3.00pm – 3.30pm Tea Break & Farewell

3.30pm – 4.30pm Optional Faculty cum CJ Koh Law Library Tour

11.11.05 Final Programme (Symposium)