

CALS SEMINAR SERIES: ASIA & INTERNATIONAL LAW

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Lee Sheridan Conference Room, Eu Tong Sen Building, NUS (BTC)

Third World Approach to International Law


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Moderated by: Dean Simon Chesterman


ABSTRACT

Scholars from the Third World have sought over many decades to develop a vision of international law that would promote the interests of Third World peoples. The speakers at this event will discuss this tradition, its characteristics and evolution, and the challenges it confronts in the context of contemporary events such as the Global Financial Crisis, the War on Terror and the emergence of the BRICS. They will also critically discuss the recent attempts of scholars belonging to the 'Third World Approaches to International Law' (TWAIL) to build upon this tradition.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



M Sornarajah is CJ Koh Professor of Law at the National University of Singapore and Visiting Professor, Centre for Human Rights, London School of Economics. He was the Tunku Abdul Rahman Professor of Public International Law at the University of Malaya. He is a Member of the Advisory Boards of the Columbia Centre on Sustainable Development, The International and Comparative Law Quarterly, the Indian Journal of International Law and several other journals. He is the author of the International Law on Foreign Investment (Cambridge University Press), a fourth edition of which is due next year and several other books. His latest book, Resistance and Change in International Investment Law will be published shortly by Cambridge University Press. He is an Honorary Member of the Indian Society of International Law. He has advised several states on investment treaties and been counsel, expert or arbitrator in many investment arbitrations.



Tony Anghie is the Samuel D. Thurman Professor of International Law at the S.J. Quinney School of Law, University of Utah. He is currently a Visiting Professor at NUS Law School. His research interests include public and private international law, human rights and international economic law and the history and theory of international law. He is the author of Imperialism, Sovereignty and the Making of International Law (CUP 2005); he serves on the editorial or advisory boards of various journals, including the Asian Journal of International Law, Humanity, and International Theory. He is a member of the Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL) network of scholars.

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