ASEAN Law Conference Programme

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Thursday, 7 December 2017
SMU School of Law, Meeting Room 5.04, 5F

8:50-9:00:  Registration

9:00-9:20:  Opening Ceremony

- Dean Goh Yihan, SMU School of Law
- Assistant Director Tan Tai Hiong, ASEAN Secretariat
- Professor Bryan Mercurio, CUHK Faculty of Law
- Associate Professor Pasha Hsieh, SMU School of Law

9:20-10:40:  Session I – ASEAN Law in the Global Context

Chair: Tan Tai Hiong, Assistant Director, ASEAN Secretariat

- The Evolution of the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement: Implications for RCEP Negotiations (Minh Hue Nguyen, Asian Trade Centre)
- Building towards the RCEP? Reflections on the ASEAN-China FTA (Heng Wang, UNSW Law School)
- Commentators: Marcus Bartley Johns, World Bank & Bryan Mercurio, CUHK Faculty of Law

10:40-11:00:  Coffee Break

11:00-12:40:  Session II – IP and IT Law

Chair: David Llewellyn, Professor & Deputy Dean, SMU School of Law

- Legal and Regulatory Challenges to Facilitating E-Commerce in ASEAN (Eliza Mik, SMU School of Law)
- Trade Barriers to Cross-Border Data Flow: How Can ASEAN Help? (Han-Wei Liu, National Tsing Hua University)
- Intellectual Property and Free Movement of Goods in ASEAN (Irene Calboli, SMU School of Law)
- Commentators: Andrew Mitchell, Melbourne Law School & Marcus Bartley Johns, World Bank

12:40-14:00:  Lunch, Level 5

14:00-15:50:  Session III – Trade in Services
Chair: **Trinh Hai Yen**, Associate Professor & Vice Dean, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam

- Challenges of ASEAN MRAs on Professional Qualifications (*Yoshifumi Fukunaga*, Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan)
- Moving towards Liberalization – The ATISA and Beyond (*Bryan Mercurio*, CUHK Faculty of Law)
- Transnational Legal Services in Southeast Asia: Legal Implications of the AEC and FTAs (*Pasha Hsieh*, SMU School of Law)
- ASEAN Aviation Services and Liberalization (*Jae Woon Lee*, CUHK Faculty of Law)
- Commentators: **Tan Tai Hiong**, ASEAN Secretariat & **Gmeleen Tomboc**, Sidley Austin LLP

15:50-16:10: Coffee Break

16:10-17:30: Session IV – Commercial Disputes

Chair: **Heng Wang**, Associate Professor & Co-Director, CIBEL, UNSW Law School

- Pro-Development Dispute Resolution Mechanisms for Investment and Commercial Disputes in ASEAN (*Yip Man*, SMU School of Law)
- Commentators: **Jean Ho**, NUS Faculty of Law & **Federico Lupo-Pasini**, Queen’s University Belfast

18:00-20:00: Dinner, Rooftop

Friday, 8 December 2017
SMU School of Law, Meeting Room 5.04, 5F

8:50-9:20: Registration

9:20-10:40: Session V – Financial Integration

Chair: **Gary Chan**, Professor & Associate Dean (Faculty & Research), SMU School of Law

- The AEC and Regulatory Reforms in CLMV Countries Focusing on Myanmar (*Nimnual Piewthongngam*, Khonkaen University, Thailand)
- Banking Integration in ASEAN and the Challenges of Regulatory Cooperation (*Federico Lupo-Pasini*, Queen’s University Belfast)
- Commentators: **Christopher Chen**, SMU School of Law & **Jeannie Paterson**, Melbourne Law School

10:40-11:00: Coffee Break

11:00-12:20: Session VI – Investment Liberalization

Chair: **Yoshifumi Fukunaga**, Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan

- Fragmented Approaches to Investor-State Dispute Settlement Mechanism in Intra-ASEAN and Extra-ASEAN Investment Treaties (*Trinh Hai Yen*, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam)
• Investment Liberalization in ASEAN: Moving from Myths to Reality (Sufian Jusoh, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia)
• Commentators: Jean Ho, NUS Faculty of Law & Tan Tai Hiong, ASEAN Secretariat

12:25-12:40: Closing Remarks

• Yip Man, Associate Professor & Deputy Director, Centre for Cross-Border Commercial Law in Asia (CEBCLA)
• Bryan Mercurio, Professor, CUHK Faculty of Law
• Pasha Hsieh, Associate Professor, SMU School of Law

13:00-14:00: Lunch, Level 2

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