## **ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES**

Jan. — Dec., 1990

## 1. Constitutional and Administrative Law

- The Japan Association of Public Law held its 55th General Meeting at Aoyama Gakuin University on October 6 and 7, 1990.
  During the two-day meeting, the following presentatons were made: Joint Theme: The Development of Scientific Technology and Public Law.
  - A. Lecture: Law in Progress of Medical Science and Technologies, by Kouichi Bai (Professor, Kitazato University).
  - B. Biotechnology and Public Law: Legal Control of Biotechnology, by Ichiro Hokimoto (Professor, Kokugakuin University).
  - C. Constitutional Law Session: Highly Informationized Society and Public Law.
- (1) Development of the Advanced Information Society and Public Law, by Masao Horibe (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).
- (2) Datenshutz in Deutschland, by Takeshi Hiramatsu (Professor, Kanseigakuin University).
- (3) Industrial Regulation and Innovative, High Tech Industry A Case Study of the Telecommunication Industry, by Shin Kisugi (Professor, Yokohama National University).

- (4) Between Technologies of Freedom and Freedom of Technologies CATV Law as a Pandora's Box, by Junichi Hamada (Associate Professor, Tokyo University).
- (5) The Free Market in Broadcasting, by Yasuo Hasebe (Professor, Gakushuin University).
  - D. Großanlagen und Öffentliches Recht.
- (1) Technology Development and Administrative Law, by Tsunetoshi Yamamura (Professor, Kobe University).
- (2) Scientific Developments and Risk Regulation, by Takemichi Hatakeyama (Professor, Hokkaido University).
- (3) Großvorhaben und Planungsrecht, by Yoshikazu Shibaike (Professor, Kyoto University).
- (4) Das Verwaltungsverfahren um Große Anlagen Die Aufgabe des Verwaltungsverfahrens in Deutschland, by Hiroshi Yamada (Professor, Seinangakuin University).
- (5) Judicial Review of Government Decisions Concerning Nuclear Power Plants, by Hisashi Koketsu (Associate Professor, Kobe University of Commerce).
- 2. The Japan Association for Studies of Constitutional Law held its Spring Meeting at Niigata University on May 11, 1990 and its Autumn Meeting at Meiji University on October 5, 1990. Under this year's topic, "International Society and the Constitution of Japan," the following presentations were made:
  - A. The Spring Meeting
- (1) The Relation between Constitutional Law and Treaties from the Viewpoint of a Theoretical History of the Post-War Constitution in Japan, by Kenji Urata (Professor, Waseda University).
- (2) International Human Rights Treaties and the Constitution of Japan, by Masumi Takano (Professor, Kagawa University).
- (3) Human Rights of Foreign Residents, by Yoshiyuki Nakamura (Professor, Meiji University).
  - B. The Autumn Meeting
- (1) The Right to Live in Peace Japanese Constitutional Law in the International Community, By Nobuhiro Okada (Professor, Meijigakuin University).

- (2) Constitutionalism in Non-Western Countries, by Nobuyuki Yasuda (Researcher, Asia Economic Institute).
- (3) Socialism and Human Rights: Historical Experiences and Perspectives, by Akio Komorida (Professor, Tokyo University).

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## 2. Law of Property and Obligations

1. The Japan Association of Private Law held its 54th General Meeting at Keio Gijuku University on October 6 and 7, 1990.

Symposium: Product Liability, chaired by Seiko Yoshimi (Professor, Hitotsubashi University) and Mamoru Tokumoto (Professor, Kyushu University).

- (1) Introductory Remarks, by Seiko Yoshimi (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).
- (2) General Remarks, by Mamoru Tokumoto (Professor, Kyushu University).
- (3) Cases in Japan, by Katsuaki Hirano (Professor, Shizuoka University).
- (4) The Meaning of Products, by Tsuneo Matsumoto (Associate Professor, Osaka University).
  - (5) The Standard of the Liability:
    - ① The Meaning of Defects, by Yukihiro Asami (Associate Professor, Fukuoka University).
    - 2 Problems of Proof, by Shigeru Kagayama (Associate Professor, Osaka University).
- (6) The Theory of Damages, by Michitaro Urakawa (Professor, Waseda University).
  - (7) Responsible Parties, by Tsuneo Matsumoto (Associate