#### [Spring Meeting]

- (1) Théorie constitutionelle en face de l'avènement du révisionnisme de tendance "réformatrice" et "internationaliste", by Youichi Higuchi (Professor, Tokyo University).
- (2) UN's Roles in the "Post-Cold War" Period, by Motofumi Asai (Professor, Meijigakuin University).
- (3) The Realities of Japan's ODA, by Yousuke Fuke (Professor, Daitobunka University).
- (4) Die rechtliche Kontrolle über ODA, by Yoshikazu Miki (Professor, Shizuoka University).

#### [Autumn Meeting]

- (1) Theoretical Approaches to Constitutional Issues in Japan, by Yoshiaki Yoshida (Professor, Meiji University).
- (2) Idee und Wirklichkeit der friedlichen internationalen Zusammenarbeit Japans, by Asaho Mizushima (Associate Professor, Hiroshima University).
- (3) The Political Reform and the Revision of the Constitution, by Osamu Watanabe (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

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# 2. Law of Property and Obligations

1. The Japan Association of Private Law held its 57th General Meeting at Ryukoku University on October 9 and 10, 1993.

Symposium: Reform of Matrimonial Laws, chaired by Akira Yonekura (Professor, Tokyo University).

(1) Introduction—The Purpose of the Symposium, by Akira Yonekura (Professor, Tokyo University).

- (2) The Family Name, by Noriko Mizuno (Professor, Nagoya University).
- (3) Causes of Divorce, by Hisakazu Hirose (Associate Professor, Tokyo University).
- (4) Distribution of Property on Divorce, by Minoru Ishikawa (Professor, Sophia University).
- (5) Guarantee to Perform Obligations Arising from Household Matters, by Yukiko Hasebe (Associate Professor, Seikei University).

### Workshop

- (1) Analogical Interpretations in the Japanese Civil Code, by Hiroki Nakaya (Associate Professor, Nanzan University).
- (2) Über die Kreditbürgschaft im Japanischen Zivilrecht, by Shigekatsu Arakawa (Professor, Ritsumeikan University).
- (3) L'acceptation sans réserve par le débiteur sur la cession de créance, by Masao Ikeda (Professor, Keio Gijuku University).
- (4) Über der Funktion des Erbschaftsanspruchs, by Takashige Soeda (Professor, Aichi University).

Reporters also submitted their reports on various subjects at five different meetings (for Divisions 3 and 4, see Commercial Law).

## Reports

#### Division 1

- (1) Die Behandlung der Schulden der Famile, insbesondere die materielle Erweiterung der Mitverantwortung der Ehegatten, by Hiroko Sato (Lecturer, Tokyo Shosen University).
- (2) The Effect of Consumer Credit Agreements Concluded by Minors and Legal Capacity, by Toshiya Bando (Associate Professor, Kochi Junior College).
- (3) Some Considerations upon "Acquisitive Prescription and Registration" from the Viewpoint of the *Raison d'être* of Acquisitive Prescription, by Motomi Kusano (Professor, Matsusho Gakuen Junior College).
- (4) Zur Bestandssicherung und -schutz des Bodennutzungs- und Wohnraummietrechts, by Eishi Tanaka (Associate Professor,

Nagasaki University).

Division 2

- (1) The Right of a Spousal Beneficiary and the Effects of Divorce, by Yasuo Fukuda (Associate Professor, Hachinohe University).
- (2) L'obligation d'indemmisation de l'assureur de responsabilité en cas d'extinction de la dette de responsabilité de l'assuré, by Kazunori Niiyama (Professor, Hokkai Gakuen University).
- (3) Evaluation of the Supposed Concurrent Cause and Liability in Tort, by Yumiko Kashimi (Associate Professor, Kanazawa University).
- (4) Responsibility of Damage in Tort, by Hiroshi Hanamoto (Lecturer, Kanto Gakuin University).
- 2. The Japan Association of Land Law held its 35th General Meeting at Matsuyama University on October 12 and 13, 1993.

October 12

General Meeting: Agriculture in Europe, chaired by Toshiyuki Miyazaki (Professor, Nihon University) and Teruaki Tayama (Professor, Waseda University).

- (1) Agriculture and Agricultural Land in Eastern Europe, by Yoshio Ishii (Professor, Komazawa University).
- (2) Agricultural Productive Cooperatives in East German, by Norio Kurumizawa (Professor, Waseda University).

October 13

General Meeting: Privatization of Land in Eastern Europe, chaired by Shozo Inui (Professor, Ryukoku University) and Tadao Kobayashi (Japan Real Estate Institute).

- (1) Russia, by Shoji Shinozuka (Professor, Waseda University) and Masatoshi Ihata (Judical Scrivener).
- (2) Hungary, by Mitsumasa Miyagahara (Japan Real Estate Institute) and Naotake Matsuoka (Land and Building Researcher).
- (3) Czech Republic, by Yukio Nashimoto (Real Estate Appraiser) and Narumi Hasegawa (Lecturer, Teikyo University).
- (4) Berlin, by Takeo Honjou (Professor, Meijo University) and Shoji Shinozuka (Professor, Waseda University).
  - (5) Conclusion, by Takeo Honjou (Professor, Meijo Universi-

ty) and Shoji Shinozuka (Professor, Waseda University).

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# 3. Family Law

The 10th National Conference of the Socio-Legal Studies on Family Issues was held at Senshu University on November 13, 1993.

Theme: Problems on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Children and Family Introduction, by Minoru Ishikawa (Professor, Sophia University).

Reports

- (1) The Legal—Historical Background and Drafting Process of the Convention on the Rights of the Child: Protection vs. Autonomy, by Akira Morita (Professor, Toyo University).
- (2) Child, Parent, and the State under the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, by Norio Higuchi (Professor, Tokyo University).
- (3) Parental Power and the Interests of the Child: Discussing Child Abuse Cases, by Tetsuo Tsuzaki (Assistant Manager of Child Guidance Center).
- (4) Equal Right: The Rights of Children out of Wedlock, by Noriko Mizuno (Professor, Nagoya University).
- (5) The Child's Right to Express its own Views in Family Court Proceedings (Part 1): From the Standpoint of Judge, by Reiko Fukami (Judge, Tokyo Family Court).
- (6) The Child's Right to Express its own Views in Family Court Proceedings (Part 2): From the Standpoint of Probation Officer, by Hisako Yoda (Probation Officer, Tokyo Family Court).
- (7) Family Clauses on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, by Waichiro Iwashi (Associate Professor, Waseda University).