8. Legal History, Sociology of Law and Legal Philosophy

a. Legal History

The Japan Legal History Association held its 44th Study Meeting at Doshisha University on October 5 and 6, 1996. The Programs of this meeting were as follows:

- (1) A New Aspect of Liberalism and Civil Society Studies in 19th cencury Germany, by Hirota Maruhata (Momoyama Gakuin University).
- (2) Land Ownership in Qin Era, by Hiroki Shigechika (Professor, Shizuoka University).
- (3) *Institor* in Ancient Rome, Kumiko Kuchiishi (Tokyo University).
- (4) King's Counselor and High Court in Luis 14 Era, by Aki Yoshiwara (Morioka College).
- (5) Water Management System in Downtown Edo, by Tomomi Sakazume (Senshu University).
- (6) Village Organization in Modern Japan, by Hisao Ishikawa (Professor, Chukyo University).
- (7) Toshima's Ranking in Modern Punishment System, by Hisashi Matsuo (Shimane University).
- (8) Regional Governing System in Qing Era, by Mika Kita (Assistant, Naruto University of Education).
- (9) Human Jurisprudence and *Corpus Iuris Civilis*, by Minoru Tanaka (Associate Professor, Nanzan University).

b. Sociology of Law

The Japanese Association of Sociology of Law held its 1996 General Meeting on May 25 and 26 at Kyoto University.

(1) Die "Dezentralisierung der Entscheidungsbefungnisse" in der "Kommunalen Untergliederung" in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland, by (Associate Professor, Tokyo Municipal University).

- (2) Conservation of the Environment of the Soto Island Sea, by Yasuko Goto (Kansai University).
- (3) Dynamics of Policy making and Implementation by Local Government, by Tatsuki Higaki (Amagasaki City Employee Training Center).
- (4) Toward the Historical Study of Corporate Legal Practices, by Kenichi Yoneda (Lecturer, Kobe University).
- (5) The Knowledge Structure of the United Nations Convention on Contracts for International Sale of Goods, by Hajime Yoshino (Professor, Meiji Gakuin University).
- (6) Restrictive Business Practices by Japanese Attorneys and Competition Policy, by Shingo Miyake (The Nikkei Shimbun Daily).
- (7) Some Taboos in the Doulocal Marriage, by Shigeki Tanaka (Professor, Osaka University).
- (8) On the Feminization of the Legal Profession, by Yuriko Kaminaga (Professor, Senshu University).
- (9) A Possible Image of Legal Subjects, by Hidekazu Nishida (San-no College).
- (10) Case Evaluation by Japanese Judges, by Yoshiyuki Matumura (Professor, Hokkaido University), Shozo Ota (Professor, Tokyo University) and Koichi Okamoto (Professor, Toyo Eiwa Wemen's University).
- (11) Some Analyses of the Activities of the Legislative Assistance by the Policy Secretary, by Katsuhiro Tani (Lecturer, Meiji University).
- (12) Les origines du logement social en France, by Katsumi Yoshida (Professor, Hokkaido University).
- (13) An Observational Research in the Practical Styles of the Specialized Criminal Lawyers, by Hiroto Hata (Kobe University).
- (14) "THE FAMILY IN TRANSITION" and the Japanese Constitution, by Miyoko Tsujimura (Professor, Seijo University).
- (15) The Post War Family Law seen from the Wemen's Viewpoint, by Tamie Kaino (Professor, Toho College).
- (16) Parents and children, by Michiko Ishii (Tokyo Municipal University).
 - (17) The Transformation of the Family and the Succession Law,

by Sumitaka Harada (Professor, Tokyo University).

- (18) Trends in the Dispute Settlement in Japanese Legal Sociology, by Kahei Rokumoto (Professor, Tokyo Unviersity).
- (19) From Judgment to Settlement, by Shozo Ota (Professor, Tokyo University).
- (20) Community Conflicts and Their Legal Processing, by Masaki Abe (Associate Professor, Osaka City University).
- (21) Die Erlendigung von Kellektiven Konflikt im japanischen Rechtssystem, by Iwao Sato (Associate Professor, Osaka City University).
- (22) Legal Advice as a Mode of Conflict Resolution, by Shiro Kashimura (Professor, Kobe University).
- (23) Legal Protection for Female White-collar in Japan, by Toshiki Sato (Associate Professor, Tokyo University of Technology).
- (24) Minor Dispute Process in Japanese Judicial system, by Akira Morita (Professor, Okayama University).

c. Legal Philosophy

The Japan Association of Legal Philosophy held its 1996 General Meeting on November 8 and 9, at Meiji University. The programs of the meeting were as follows:

- (1) Derrida and Legal Philosophy, by Kenichi Katada (Lecturer, Tokyo University of Science).
- (2) The Significance of Gains' *Institutes* in the History of Legal Thought, by Fumiaki Hasegawa (Kagoshima Wemen's College).
- (3) Das Naturrecht und das Gemeinwok ein Aspekt der Messnerschen Naturrechtslehre, by Hideshi Yamada (Associate Professor, Nanzan University).
- (4) Genetic Abortion and Law, by Yukiko Saito (Lecturer, Meiji University).
- (5) Freedom of Man as a Self-interpreting Animal, by Kazumoto Ueki (Lecturer, Kansei-Gakuin University).
- (6) Epistemological Restraint and Paradoxicality, by Shuichi Sugita (Lecturer, Hoso University).
- (7) European Integration and "Cultural Diversity", by Takamichi