(2) Zur Bestimmug der Risikobereiche beim Werkvertrag, by Osamu Kasai (Associate Professor, Seijo University).

(3) On Prospective Inability of Performance, by Tomohiko Sunaga (Lecture, Shiga University).

(4) Der Surogationsanspruch und die Gefährtragung beim Kauf, by Takuro Tajikawa (Associate Proffessor, Kumamoto University).

(5) Die Bedeutung des Verbraucherschutzes im Vertragsrecht, by Keico Tanimoto (Associate Professor, Ritsumeikan University).

Section 2

(1) Hypothekengläubiger und Mietzins by Hiroki Urabe (Lecture, Osaka Gakuin University).

(2) A Framework of Atypical Real Securuty Interests, by Hirotaka Tadaka (Lecturer, Senshu University).

(3) Le deroit de révocabilité des contrats entre époux, by Chica Tanaka (Lecturer, Komazawa University).

(4) Über die Pfandrechte an Sachgesamtheiten, by Masanori Ikeda (Associate Professor, Fukushima University).

(5) Floating Lien versus Purchase Money Security Interests under U.C.C. Article 9 and the Personal Property Security Acts, by Yasushi Koyama (Lecture, Setunan University).

Section 3

(1) La succession et la prescription acquisitive by Noriko Kadohiro (Associate Professor, Jissen Woman's University).

(2) Über den Erbschaftsanspruch, by Takashi Yoneyama (Professor, Nara Sangyo University).

## 3. Family Law

The 14th National Conference of *Socio-Legal Studies on Family Issues* was held at Hosei University in Tokyo on November 8, 1997. The theme was, "Support and Succession".

Reports

Presentation of Problems, by Nobuyoshi Toshitani (Professor, Ochanomizu University)

(1) The Social Welfare Perspective, by Miyoko Motozawa (Professor, Osaka Prefectural University);

(2) The Perspective of French Law, by Sadashi Yamawaki (Professor, Shizuoka University);

(3) The Perspective of French Law, by Teruaki Tayama (Professor, Waseda University);

(4) The Perspective of English Law, by Satoshi Minamikata (Professor, Niigata University);

(5) The Perspective of Chinese Law, by Mihoko Kato (Professor, Hakuho University);

(6) The Perspective of Family Court Practice and Notary Practice, by Yoshihiro Ikemura (Probation Officer, Tokyo Family Court) and Takeshi Ochiai (Asakusa Public Notary Office);

(7) Problems in Interpretation of the Law; by Masakazu Ueno (Professor, Okayama Commerce College);

Discussion, moderators: Nobuyoshi Toshitani, Taichi Kajimura (Judge, Tokyo Family Court)

## 4. Law of Civil Procedure and Bankruptcy

The 67th General Meeting of *the Japanese Association of the Law of Civil Procedure* was held at Keio University on May 31 and June 1, 1997. Six reporters presented papers on the first day, and a symposium was held on the second day.

On the first day, a lecture was also given by Prof. Geoffrey C. Hazard, Jr. from the University of Pennsylvania. It was financed by the B-fund established in 1995. Prof. Hazard is also Director of the American Law Institute. He has been working for the clarification and improvement of Law ever since he was teaching at Yale University, and has played a very active part in international organizations or international academic meetings. He is one of the most renowned jurists in today's world.

The theme of his lecture was "Harmonization of Procedural Law". The American Law Institute made the "Transnational Rules of Civil