

10. Comparative Law

1. *The Japan Society of Comparative Law* held its 60th General Congress at Aoyama Gakuin University on June 7 and 8, 1997.

[The First day]

1. Anglo-American Law Section

Reports:

(1) Contracts of Guarantee and the Doctrine of Undue Influence in England, by Hitoshi Kimura (Lecturer, Kinki University).

(2) Administrative Procedure in the United States, by Keikichi Ohama (Professor, Waseda University)

Mini-Symposium: The Teaching of Anglo-American Law: Past, Present and Future

(1) Workshop: Anglo-American Legal Education – Past, Present, and Future, by Michiatsu Kaino (Professor, Nagoya University).

(2) An Experiment with a New System of Common Law Teaching: the Case of Chuo University, by Satoru Osanai (Professor, Chuo University).

2. Continental Law Section

Reports:

(1) Denizanship in Europe, by Atsushi Kondo (Lecturer, Kyushu Sangyo University);

(2) On Internet Censorship, by Karl-Friedrich Lenz (Associate Professor, Aoyama Gakuin University);

(3) Der Anspruch auf rechtliches Gehör als Anerkennungsvoraussetzung ausländischer Urteile: Die deutsche Diskussion über die Zustellung, by Masaaki Haga (Assistant, Meiji University);

(4) L'Exécution internationale sur les créances : La Discussion en Allemagne, by Manami Fujii (Lecturer, Saitama University);

(5) L'erreur de droit dans le code pénal français, by Shizuka Nakata (Kwansai Gakuin University).

3. Socialist Law Section

Reports:

(1) The Features and Issues of China's Regulation of Lawyers, by Tadashi Asai (Attorney);

(2) Law of Pecuniary Remedy for Mental Damage in the People's Republic of China, by Yukinori Udagawa (Assistant, Kansai University);

(3) Language Rights in Soviet Union and Russia, by Kenjiro Shibuya (Tokyo University);

(4) Comparative Legal Position of the Serbian Civil Code of 1844, by Tomoyoshi Ito (Associate Professor, Sapporo Gakuin University).

Discussion: Future Course of the Socialist Law Section

[The Second Day]

Symposium: Reception and Transformation of the Concept of Human Rights in Non-Western Countries

(1) L'apologie de l'universalisme critique des droits de l'homme en face de la pluralité des cultures, by Yoichi Higuchi (Professor, Sophia University);

(2) Acceptance and Transformation of the Concept of Human Rights in Russia, by Toshio Morishita (Professor, Kobe University);

(3) Between Acceptance and Denial of the Western Concept of Human Rights in China, by Hideo Tsuchiya (Professor, Kobe University);

(4) L'introduction et la transformation de la notion des droits de l'homme en Vietnam, by Masanori Aikyo (Professor, Nagoya University);

(5) The Reception and Transformation of Western Human Rights in the Philippines, by Nobuyuki Yasuda (Professor, Nagoya University);

(6) Concept of Human Rights in the Indian Constitution, by Nobuo Kochu (Associate Professor, Kansai University);

(7) Universal Rights Dispute in Islamic Logic of Refusal, Symptom of Reconciliation, and the Case of Palestine, by Akifumi Ikeda (Associate Professor, Toyo Eiwa University).

2. *The Japanese American Society for Legal Studies* held its 34th General Congress at Tokyo University on September 13 and 14, 1997

[The First Day]

Speech; Dialogue between the Academic Community and the Business World

(1) Fundamental Similarities and Differences in Education about Jurisprudence at Harvard Law School and in Japan: Relationship between Transnational Law Practice and the Study of American Law in Japan, by Yukio Yanagida (Attorney).

(2) Legal Problems caused by Business Transactions with America and Education in Graduate School: Problems in Clinical Legal Education, American Legal Literature (Text, Dictionary of Anglo-American Law) and so on, from the Standpoint of a Lawyer, by Toshiro Nishimura (Attorney).

[Second Day]

Symposium: Feminism and Law in the U.S.A—Can Feminism Change the Law?

(1) Feminist Legal Theory, by Frances Elisabeth Olsen (Professor, UCLA);

(2) Feminist Legal Theory: A Comment, by Masako Kamiya (Professor, Gakushuin University);

(3) The Influence of Feminism on American Law: The Case of Employment Discrimination, by George A. Rutherglen (Professor, University of Virginia);

(4) A Comment on the Influence of Feminist Jurisprudence in the U.S.A and Japan: The Case of Employment Discrimination, by Mutsuko Asakura (Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University);

(5) Feminism and Sexual Violence, by Yukiko Tsunoda (Attorney);

(6) Reproduction and Feminist Jurisprudence, by Hiroyuki Takai (Associate Professor, Kyoto Sangyo University);

(7) Legal Practice and Feminism, by Yuriko Kaminaga (Professor, Sensyu University).

3. *Japanisch-Deutsche Gesellschaft für Rechtswissenschaft* held its

1997 General Congress at Deutsches Kulturzentrum in Tokyo on October 6, 1997.

Neue Rechtsprechung der Bundesverfassungsgerichts zur Meinungsfreiheit und Glaubensfreiheit: Ehreschutz und Religionsausübung der Einzelnen in der postmodernen Allgemeinheit, by Karl-Heinz Ladeur (Professor, Hamburg University).

4. *The European Union Studies Association–Japan* held its 18th Annual Conference at Hannan University on November 8 and 9, 1997.

Unified Theme: Fruits and Problems of the Intergovernmental Conference(IGC).

[The First Day]

(1) The Amsterdam Treaty and the Structure of EU Law, by Katsuhiro Shoji (Associate Professor, Nishogakusha University);

(2) Ever-Evolving European Union: Its New Institutional Features according to the Amsterdam Treaty, by Tamio Nakamura (Associate Professor, Seikei University);

(3) Special Speech: Fruits and Problems of the Amsterdam Treaty, by Daniel Vignes (Honorary Director-General of the EU Council).

[The Second Day]

(1) The Amsterdam Treaty and Institutional Reform of the E.U., by Yasuyuki Kokubo (Associate Professor, University of Shizuoka);

(2) The Intergovernmental Conference(IGC) and the Common Foreign and Security Policy(CFSP), by Asatsugu Tsutsi (Professor, Hannan University);

(3) Positions of Member States on the EU Reform and the Future of European Integration, by Mitsuo Miyamoto (Professor, Seikei University);

(4) The Preparation Process for Accession to Membership in the EU in Central and Eastern European Countries, by Teruji Suzuki (Professor, Tokai University).

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