6. Commercial Law

The Japan Association of Private Law held its 65th Annual Congress at Kinki University on October 7 and 8, 2001.

Symposium: A Comparative Study of Corporate Laws in Major Countries? For the Reformation under way?

- (1) Introduction, by Shigeru Morimoto (Professor, Kyoto University).
- (2) The Reform of the Corporate Structure of Management and Corporate Governance, by Masashi Kitamura (Professor, Osaka City University).
- (3) The Flexible Structuring of the Corporate Finance Law, by Ryo Kobayashi (Professor, Nagoya University).
- (4) Corporate Combination and Disclosure, by Haruhiko Katagi (Professor, Hiroshima University).
- (5) Making Corporate Law Rules Enabling Through Competition of the Rules, by Etsuro Kuronuma (Professor, Kobe University).

Workshops:

- Commercial Law, Art. 680, para. 1 and Suicide Exclusion, by Kimihito Amari (Professor, Sophia University), Osamu Takehama (Professor, Ritsumeikan University), and Yukihiro Sasamoto (Associate Professor, Fukuoka University).
- (2) On the Principles and Proposal of the European Forum for Corporate Groups Law, by Masaru Hayakawa (Professor, Doshisha University).

Individual Reports:

- (1) Suitability-Principle in Transactions of Financial Instruments, by Mihoko Umida (Lecturer, Asia University).
- (2) Corporate Compliance and the Directors' Duty of Care, by Taro Sakai (Associate Professor, Kumamoto University).
- (3) Basic Theory for Shareholders Meetings, by Hideyuki Matsui (Lecturer, Rikkyo University).
- (4) Delegation of Management Authority and Non-Exclusive Agency Power, by Mika Takahashi (Associate Professor, Hokkaido

University).

- (5) Financial Assistance by Company for the Transfer of Its Own Shares, by Tetsuya Mishima (Lecturer, Kinki University).
- (6) Shareholders' Agreement, by Hatsuru Morita (Associate Professor, Tohoku University).
- (7) The Role of Institutional Shareholders in Corporate Governance in the United States, by Shiu-Mi Li (Lecturer, Aichi University).

7. Labor Law

Spring 2000

The 99th General Meeting of *the Japan Labor Law Association* was held at Kagawa University on May 21, 2000.

Reports:

- (1) The Principle of Equity Treatment in Labor Laws, by Noriko Ebihara (Graduate Student, Ritsumeikan University).
- (2) The Relationship Between Labor Science and the Law, by Takanori Mishiba (Lecturer, Kinki University)
- (3) Legal Issues Involving Atypical Employees in the Public Sector, by Takuyuki Kawata (Lecturer, Tokai University).
- (4) Data Protection for Workers in France, by Ikuko Sunaoshi (The Japan Institute of Labor).

Special Report:

The Fundamental Concept of the Labor Contract, by Kenichi Hokao (Professor Emeritus, Tohoku University).

Mini-symposiums:

1. Employment Adjustment and Employment Security

Coordinator: Hiroshi Seisho (Professor, Kumamoto University)

- (1) Restructuring of Workers and the Employment Guarantee System in Korea, by John-Lee (Associate Professor, Kyushu University).
- (2) The Layoff and Employment Security System in China, by Noboru