2. Special Articles 2: Viewpoints on Judicial Reform

- (1) "Political Process in the Judicial Reform Council" Katsuhiro Tani (Associate Professor, Meijo University).
- (2) "Japanese Justice System Reform in Comparative Perspective" Daniel H. Foote (Professor, University of Tokyo).

3. Special Articles 3: Sociology of Law in the World

- (1) "Regulating the Judiciary through Case Law"

 Zhang Qi (Associate Professor, China Peking University).
- (2) "Korea-Japan Symposium on 'Law and Society in East-Asia'" Takao Tanase (Professor, Kyoto University).
- (3) "Talking about Law and Society in Korea under Japanese Rule: Issues to be Addressed" Chulwoo Lee (Associate Professor, Sungkyunkwan University).
- (4) "'Modernization' or 'Japanization'?: On the Validity of the 'Non-customary' Adoption in Korea under Japanese Rule" Shinichi Sakamoto (Lecturer, Tohoku Shihan University).

4. Articles:

- (1) "'Scientific' Research and Researchers' Political Responsibility" Kenichi Baba (Professor, Kobe University).
- (2) "The Dynamics of the Right of Commons"
 Yoshiro Togo (Graduate Student, Waseda University).

10. Legal Philosophy

The Japan Association for Legal Philosophy held its 2002 General Meeting at Ritsumeikan University on November 2 and 3, 2001. Common Theme: Religion and Law: Comparative Studies of Legal Culture Concerning <Sacredness and Secularity>.

Workshops:

(1) "On New Tendencies in Bentham Research" Michihiro Kaino (Part-Time Lecturer, Doshisha University).

- (2) "Human Rationality, Preference, and Legal Paternalism: The Behavioral Theory of Law and Economics and its Insights" Koichi Setoyama (Doctoral Student, Osaka University).
- (3) "Modern 'Supporting' Society and the Law: An Attempt towards a New Society Based upon Egoism and Altruism"

 Humie Suga (Part-time Lecturer, Mie Prefectural College).
- (4) "The New Concept of Responsibility: A Critical Investigation of the Theory of Collective Responsibility" Masaaki Uemoto (Doctoral Student, Seikei University).
- (5) "Two Sorts of Human Weakness and the Right to Self Determination: Reach and Limit of the Right from the Perspective of Death" Junichiro Okuda (Associate Professor, Sophia University).
- (6) "Plurality of Justice and the Justice in International Private Law" Takaya Ito (Research Associate, Aoyama Gakuin University).
- (7) "On the Public Justification of the Legal Framework" Hideomi Omori (Research Associate, Kyoto University).
- (8) "On the Validity of the Legal Claim against One's Belief" Takenori Miura (Meijo University, Copymart Meijo Institute).

"Comments on the Common Theme: Religion and Law: Comparative Studies of Legal Cultures Concerning <Sacredness and Secularity>" Takeshi Tsunoda (Professor, Osaka Prefecture University).

Session 1: Christianity, Natural Law, and Positive Law in "Western Countries"

- (1) "Religion and Law: A Christian Perspective" Jose Llompart (Professor Emeritus, Sophia University).
- (2) "The Dichotomy of 'Natural Law Positive Law' in 'the Secularization Process of Law': Religion and Law in the European Middle Ages" Yasuhisa Ichihara (Professor, Kansai University).

Session 2: Religion, State Laws and Native Laws in "Non-Western Countries"

(1) "Religion and Law: A Non-Western Perspective" Masashi Chiba (Professor Emeritus, Tokyo Metropolitan University).

(2) "Religion and Law: A Islamic Perspective" Yoshiko Oda (Professor, Kansai University).

Session 3: Comparative Studies of Legal Cultures on <Religion and Law> in Western and Non-Western Countries

"<Religion and Law> in Western and Non-Western Countries: From the Perspective of Comparative Legal Cultures"

Takeshi Tsunoda (Professor, Osaka Prefecture University).

Session 4: Liberalism, Religion, and Law

- (1) "<Religion and Law> in Modern Japan"
 Takeshi Hirano (Professor, Ryukoku University).
- (2) "Comments on (1): <Religion and Law> in Modern Germany" Masanori Shiyake (Professor, Kyoto University).
- (3) "Liberalism and Religion" Fumihiko Ishiyama (Professor, Daito Bunka University).
- (4) "Comments" Susumu Morimura (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

Session 5: Symposium on the Common Theme: Religion and Law: Comparative Studies of Legal Cultures Concerning <Sacredness and Secularity>

11. Comparative Law

I. The *Japan Society of Comparative Law* held its 65th General Meeting at Hiroshima University on June 1 and 2, 2002.

The First Day

1. Anglo-American Law Section

(1) "The Legal Parentage of Children Born through Assisted Reproductive Technology under the New Uniform Parentage Act (2000) in the United States"

Megumi Nakamura (Research Associate, Sophia University).