

(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).

- (2) "Parental Consent to Medical Treatment for Children and the Role of the Court"  
Megumu Yokono (Research Associate, Waseda University).
- (3) "Protection of a Bona Fide Purchaser of Movables from Mercantile Agents: On the Conflict between Law and Commerce in 19th-Century England"  
Akihito Komatsu
- (4) "Art as a Legal Concept: Socially Acceptable Limits of Artworks and Legal Frameworks for Protecting Them"  
Yasuhiro Yamaguchi (Professor, Toin University of Yokohama).

## 2. Continental Law Section

- (1) "Duty and Responsibility of the Notary in the International Notary System under Austrian Law"  
Shinichi Kusaka (Lecturer, Heisei International University).
- (2) "The Historical Development of *Stockwerkeigentum* in Austrian Law"  
Zenei Katagiri (Professor, Asia University).
- (3) "Medical Treatment and Consent in German Adult Guardianship Law"  
Reisei Jinnno (Associate Professor, Kyushu International University).
- (4) "New Regulation Regarding Public Access to Community Documents"  
Masao Takahashi (Professor, Matsumoto University).

## 3. Socialist Law Section

- (1) "Human Rights of Persons with Disabilities in China"  
Masayuki Kobayashi (Associate Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Developing Economies).
- (2) "The Principle of Legalism on Crimes and Punishment of China Seen from Practices in Courts: Under the Revised Penal Code of 1997"  
Kazushige Sakaguchi (Graduate Student, Hokkaido University).
- (3) "Foreign investment Related Laws and Domestic Laws in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea"  
Mitsuhiro Mimura (Research Fellow, Economic Research Institute for Northeast Asia).

- (4) “The Hungarian Jury System under the Last Period of the Habsburg Monarchy”  
Rieko Ueda (Lecturer, Kumamoto University).
- 4. Mini Symposium: The Points at Issue in the Introduction of the Law School System into Japanese Legal Education**
- (1) “The Points at Issue in the Introduction of Law School System into Japanese Legal Education”  
Michiatsu Kaino (Professor, Waseda University).
- (2) “Comparative Legal Research after Launching the Law School in Japan: The Fretfulness of an Asian Law Scholar”  
Ken Suzuki (Professor, Hokkaido University).

### The Second Day

#### **Symposium: An International Comparison of Personal Data Protection Laws: Focusing on the Private Sector**

- (1) “Introduction”  
Masao Horibe (Professor, Chuo University).
- (2) “The European Union (EU) and the United Kingdom”  
Masao Horibe (Professor, Chuo University).
- (3) “Germany”  
Shizuo Fujiwara (Professor, Kokugakuin University).
- (4) “The United States of America”  
Hidetomo Sasaki (Lecturer, Meiji University).
- (5) “Canada”  
Nobuyuki Sasaki (Professor, Shobi University).
- (6) “Australia”  
John Middleton (Associate Professor, Hitotsubashi University).
- (7) “Poland”  
Akio Komorida (Professor, University of Tokyo).
- (8) “Taiwan and Hong Kong”  
Lee Ming-Hsun (Graduate Student, Chuo University).
- (9) “Japan”  
Masao Horibe (Professor, Chuo University).
- (10) “Comments”  
Hidemi Suzuki (Professor, Nihon University).

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**II.** The *Japanese American Society for Legal Studies* held its 39th General Meeting at Toin University of Yokohama on September 7 and 8, 2002.

### The First Day

#### **Lectures:**

- (1) "Corporative Law Practice and American Law"  
Teruo Masaki (Senior Managing Director, Sony Corporation).
- (2) "The Development of Appropriate Liability in the United States"  
Naoya Endo (Attorney and Professor, Toin University of Yokohama).
- (3) "Attempt at the Internationalization of Law Schools in the United States: The Case of Duke Law School"  
Hideyuki Sakai (Attorney).

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#### **Symposium: Health Information and Law in the United States**

- (1) "Malpractice, Security and Accountability: The Malpractice and Construction of Information Practice in the United States and Japan"  
Robert Lefler (Professor, University of Arkansas, School of Law).
- (2) "An Outline of the National Standards to Protect the Privacy of Personal Health Information"  
Jill Callahan Dennis (Legal Adviser, American Health Information Management Association).
- (3) "Issues in the National Standards to Protect the Privacy of Personal Health Information"  
Futoshi Iwata (Associate Professor, Sophia University), Yasushi Kodama (Attorney), and Norio Higuchi (Professor, University of Tokyo).

**III.** The *Association for "Societal System & Law" Studies* held its 4th General Meeting at Hiroshima University on May 31, 2002.

#### **Symposium: The Modernization Experiment and System Transition:**

- (1) "The Characteristics of the Two Germanies during 1945–1990 and after: Their Modernization Process and the Impact of Their Unification"  
Koji Kobayashi (Professor, Hokkaido Tokai University).

- (2) “The Experience of a Modern Legal System for Contemporary Chinese Law”  
Ken Suzuki (Professor, Hokkaido University).
- (3) “Comment”  
Masahiro Aso (Associate Professor, Kitami Institute of Technology).
- (4) “Comment”  
Taiichiro Oh’e (Professor, Shizuoka University).

**IV.** The *European Union Studies Association-Japan* held its 23rd Annual Conference at Nihon University on November 9 and 10, 2002. Unified Theme: A Reexamination of the Euro.

### The First Day

#### **Section Meeting A:**

- (1) “The Establishment of European Citizenship and the Formation of Identity as ‘Europeans’”  
Noriko Suzuki (Graduate Student, Keio University).
- (2) “The Reaction of the Italian Right-of Center-Faction to Europeanizing after the Participation into the Euro”  
Hirohito Yasoda (Graduate Student, University of Tokyo).

#### **Section Meeting B:**

- (1) “The Formation of European Corporation Law and Worker’s Participation in the EU”  
Hiromi Ueda (Associate Professor, Asia University).
- (2) “The Process of the CAP Reform: A Study on MTR”  
Kimiko Isono (Professor, Osaka Kun-ei Women’s College).

#### **Section Meeting C:**

- (1) “The Term Structure of Interest Rates in the Euro Area: An Examination of the Influence of Monetary Policy by EURIBOR”  
Yuji Kawano (Graduate Student, Kyushu University).
- (2) “Reexamination of the Monetary Policy of the ECB after the Introduction of the Euro”  
Sadayoshi Takaya (Professor, Kinki University).

**General Session:**

- (1) "Towards Euro Expansion"  
Yoshihiro Fujii (Editor, Nihon Keizai Shimbun, Inc.).
- (2) "International Relations of the Euro Area"  
Jean-Victor Louis (Professor, Brussels University).
- (3) "Enlargement and the Future of Europe"  
Bernhard Zepter (Delegate and Ambassador, Delegation of European Commission in Japan).

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- (1) "The Present and Future of the Social-Economic Model in Europe"  
Kaoru Hoshino (Professor, Kokugakuin University).
- (2) "Regional Policy in the EMU and the Economic Convergence of South European Countries"  
Kazuyoshi Matsuura (Professor, Matsuyama University).
- (3) "The Euro as a Political Currency"  
Toyoji Fujiwara (Professor, Takushoku University).
- (4) "The Introduction of the Euro and Denmark: The National Referendum on September 28, 2002"  
Nobuhiko Yoshitake (Professor, Takasaki City University of Economics).

**12. International Law**

**I.-A** *The Japanese Society of International Law*<sup>(1)</sup> held its 2001 Spring Session at Kanazawa University on May 12.

- (1) "The Expansion and Limits of State's Duties: Determination of Violation of State's Duties on Account of Acts of Private Persons under the European Human Rights Convention"  
Itsuko Nakai (Professor, Konan University).

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