6. Commercial Law

The Annual Congress of the *Japan Association of Private Law* held its 71st General Meeting at Senshu University on October 6 and 7.

Symposium:

"The Reformation of the Insurance Contract Law"
Osamu Takehama (Professor, Ritsumeikan University)

Workshop:

"Incentive Bargaining in the Firm and the Role of Legal Institutions" Zenichi Shishido (Professor, Seikei University)

Reports:

- (1) "La constitution et la restructuration de la société européenne" Toshihiko Sasagawa (Lecturer, Sapporo Gakuin University)
- (2) "Sales of Corporate Control and Efficiency" Takuya Komatsu (Associate Professor, Kobe Gakuin University)
- (3) "Demerits of Limited Liability and the Shareholder's Liability for Undercapitalization"
 - Gen Goto (Lecturer, Gakushuin University)
- (4) "Towards Environmentally-Conscious Management From the Corporate Governance Approach"
 - Sachiyo Yamaguchi (Associate Professor, Kumamoto University)
- (5) "Schaden am Geselschaftsvermögen und Schadensersatzanspruch des Aktionärs"
 - Yuji Ito (Lecturer, Senshu University)

7. Labor Law

The Japan Labor Law Association held its 114th General Meeting at

Ritsumeikan University on October 14, 2007.

Topics:

The Restructuring of a Safety Net in the Labor Law—Focusing on the Minimum Wage and Employment Insurance

Coordinators:

Susumu Noda (Professor, Kyushu University), and Hiroya Nakakubo (Professor, Hitotsubashi University)

Reports:

- (1) Purpose and Structure of the Symposium Hiroya Nakakubo (Professor, Hitotsubashi University)
- (2) Reform of the Minimum Wage Law: Its Role as a Safety Net for Employment
 - Takeshi Yanagisawa (Associate Professor, Meijo University)
- (3) Employment Insurance as a Safety Net Kosuke Marutani (Associate Professor, Saga University)
- (4) The Policy Aims and Roles of the Employment Insurance Benefit Noboru Yamashita (Associate Professor, Kyushu University)
- (5) The Role of Hello Work in Supporting the Search for Work—the current status and the challenges in the recognition of unemployment and job matching
 - Satoshi Nakauchi (Associate Professor, Kumamoto University)
- (6) A Workers' Safety Net and Employment in a Risk Society Masahiro Yano (Professor, Ryukyu University)

8. Legal History

The *Japan Legal History Association* (LHA) held its 59th General Meeting at Osaka City University on April 21 and 22, 2007.