

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:**

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**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.

## 1. The 59th General Meeting

### First Day:

#### **Individual Presentations**

- (1) On the Administrative Court in Modern Japan: the Amendments of the Administrative Court Act around the Late Taisho Era to the Early Showa Era  
Hiroshi Ono (Graduate Student, Osaka University)
- (2) Establishing the Criminal Defense and the Law of Evidence: The Old Bailey in the 18th Century  
Masato Kurihara (Professor, Kagawa University)
- (3) Can we argue about “societe anonyme” in the period before 1807 by using the term “Aktiengesellschaft”?  
Albrecht Cordes (Professor, Universität Frankfurt am Main)
- (4) The City and the Channels of Distribution in the Muromachi Era Kyoto  
Chika Takatani (Associate Professor, Kyoto University)
- (5) *Zouyan*<sup>1</sup> System in the Han Dynasty  
Arnd Helmut Sueyasu/Hafner (Associate Professor, Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa)
- (6) Reconsideration on “Kodifikation und Rechtswissenschaft”  
Masasuke Ishibe (Professor, Osaka International University)

### Second Day:

#### **Individual Presentations**

- (1) Is it true that the Constitution of Japan was forced on the country by GHQ?  
Toyoharu Konishi
- (2) The Succession of Equipment for Rituals of Ancestor Worship based on the *Tsung-Fa*<sup>2</sup> System and Changing Form of the Household in

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<sup>1</sup> Zouyan (奏獻): In the criminal trial, to ask for a higher court's ruling, when it is difficult for a lower court to make a judgment whether the accused is guilty or not.

<sup>2</sup> Tsung-Fa (宗法): The idea that the eldest male heir should inherit the proper-

and after the Li Dynasty of Korea

Geung Sik Jung (Professor, Seoul National University)

- (3) On the Prevention of the Abuse of Legal Proceedings taken by the Kamakura-Bakufu Government

Hiroshi Yamamoto (Postdoctoral Researcher, Kyushu University)

- (4) Official Notices in Edo-Era Osaka: Sodoshiyori<sup>3</sup> and Soudai<sup>4</sup>

Takashi Tsukada (Professor, Osaka City University)

- (5) The Royal Jurisdiction and the Resolution of Regional Conflicts in Early 14th Century Germany

Masaki Taguchi (Professor, Hokkaido University)

## 9. Sociology of Law

*The Japanese Association for the Sociology of Law* held its 2007 General Meeting at Niigata University on May 11, 12, and 13.

### Symposium: Sociology of Law on Publicness

#### 1. General Symposium: Sociology of Law on Publicness

- (1) “Sociology of Law on Publicness: Introductory Remarks”

Iwao Sato (Professor, University of Tokyo).

- (2) “Legal Sociology on the Public: A Preliminary Study”

Kiyoshi Hasegawa (Associate Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University).

- (3) “The ‘Public’ From a ‘Private’ Perspective”

Shiro Kashimura (Professor, Kobe University).

- (4) “An Essay on the Publicness of Care from a Gender Perspective”

Kayo Minamino (Associate Professor, Kyoto Women’s University).

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ty for rituals of ancestor worship and organize the descendants through ancestral festivals.

<sup>3</sup> Sodoshiyori (惣年寄): Officers who worked under the town magistrate (Machibugyo) of Osaka. They made official notices of the town magistrate known to the public.

<sup>4</sup> Soudai (惣代): Assistants to the Sodoshiyori.