- Kazunori Uemura (Associate Professor, Kurume University)
- (4) Commercial Aspect of "Codes" (律) in the Qin and Han Dynasties Arnd Helmut Sueyasu/Hafner (Associate Professor, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies)
- (5) Religious Service of Shinto Shrines in the "Deities Law"(神祇令) Asao Kure (Graduate Student, Kyoto University)

9. Sociology of Law

The Japanese Association for the Sociology of Law held its 2009 General Meeting at Meiji University on May 8, 9, and 10.

Symposium: Great Change of Criminal Justice System in Japan

- 1. General Symposium: Who is the Leading Actor in Criminal Justice?; Judges, Prosecutors, or Participating Citizens
- (1) "Great Change of Criminal Justice System in Japan: Introductory Remarks"
 - Mikio Kawai (Professor, Toin University of Yokohama).
- (2) "Policymaking by the Japanese Judiciary in the Criminal Justice Field"
 - Daniel H. Foote (Professor, University of Tokyo).
- (3) "Justice System and Changing Japanese People Described on Major Journals"
 - Takashi Yasuoka (Editorial Writer, The Nikkei).
- (4) "Who is the Leading Actor in Criminal Justice?; Judges, Prosecutors, or Participating Citizens An Impression of a Criminal Law Scholar" Kensuke Itoh (Professor, Keio University).
- (5) "Comments on Symposium: Analysis of Agents of Criminal Justice; Prosecution, Court, and Participation of General Public" Sukeaki Tatsuoka (Professor, Gakushuin University).

2. Mini-Symposium 1: Japanese Attitudes Toward Lay Judge System and Its Reception

- (1) "Japanese Attitudes Toward Criminal Justice and Lay Judge System: Focusing on Their Evaluation"
 Yoshiyuki Matsumura (Professor, Chiba University).
- (2) "Legislative Fact Approach to Lay Judge System (Saiban-in); Policy Science for Better Procedure and Practice" Shozo Ota (Professor, University of Tokyo).
- (3) "The Structure of Japanese Attitude toward the Lay Judge System and Criminal Justice"

 Manako Kinoshita (Professor, Doshisha University).
- (4) "A Corpus-based Study of Differences between Laypersons and Professional Judges in Deliberation: Register Analysis"
 Syugo Hotta (Associate Professor, Meiji University).
- (5) "For Desirable Acceptation of the Japanese Lay Judge System" Yuji Shiratori (Professor, Hokkaido University).

3. Mini-Symposium 2: History of Participation of Citizens; From the Inquest of Prosecution to the Saiban-in (Lay Judges) System

- (1) "The Legislative Process of the Law for the Inquest of Prosecution" Yuichi Deguchi (Associate Professor, Toin University of Yokohama).
- (2) "The Dilemma of the Democratic Judiciary and the Meaning of the Saiban-in (Lay Judges) System"

 Noboru Yanase (Associate Professor, Shinshu University).
- (3) "On Meaning of Introducing Saiban-in Seido (Mixed Jury System) to Japanese Society; with Looking Back on Japanese Petty Jury System Operated in Showa Era"

 Masahiro Fujita (Associate Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies).
- (4) "Questions Regarding the Creation of the Lay Judge System" Ichiro Sakai (Lawyer, Former Head of Fukuoka High Public Prosecutors Office).

Individual Reports:

1. Special Articles 1: Law and Participation

- (1) "Introduction of the Special Articles 1 'Law and Participation'" Shozo Ota (Professor, University of Tokyo).
- (2) "Policies and Practices of Participatory Policy Making in Japan" Hideaki Shiroyama (Professor, University of Tokyo).
- (3) "The Initiative Process in California; How can Citizens Make Law?" Kichimoto Asaka (Professor, University of Tokyo).
- (4) "New Role of Park in Residential Area and Law as Commons" Gakuto Takamura (Associate Professor, Ritsumeikan University).
- (5) "Legal Support Networks in an Island Community; the Dynamics of Formation and Maintenance" Suzuka Yoshioka (Graduate Student, Kobe University).
- (6) "The Impact of 'Public Point of View' on the Ho-terasu" Takayuki Ii (Associate Professor, Hirosaki University).
- (7) "Possibility of Law-related Education in Japan" Hideki Kashizawa (Professor, Saga University).
- (8) "Effect of the Knowledge of Mental Disease or Punishment on the Reason to Judging Criminal Responsibility"

 Ayumu Arakawa (Designated Lecturer, Nagoya University) & Naoko Kawano (Technical Assistant, Nagoya University).
- (9) "Japan's Earliest Experiences with the Jury (1873-1923)"
 Dimitri Vanoverbeke (Professor, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Gelgium).
- (10) "A Study of Social Factors that Support 'Touch on Crime' Policy" Hideyo Matsubara (Associate Professor, Ehime University).
- (11) "The Function of the Lay Judge System against Criminal Investigation"
 Arinori Kawamura (Associate Professor, Japan Coast Guard

Academy).

2. Special Articles 2: Sociology of Law in the World

(1) "The Concept of Legal Culture and it's Place in the Socio-Legal Studies"

Hiroshi Takahashi (Professor, Kobe University).

(2) "Development of Date Archives and its Significance for Socio-legal Studies"

Iwao Sato (Professor, University of Tokyo).

Articles:

- (1) "The Disparities of the Responses to the Victims of Domestic Violence among the Local Governments in Japan"
 Akiko Tejima (Graduate Student, Kyoto Women's University, Lecturer, Kobe College).
- (2) "Significances and Limitations in Legal Remedies toward Past Injustice" Kumiko Tsuchida (Researcher, Tohoku University Global COE Program).
- (3) "Exploring Japanese Cop Culture through Questionnaire Survey" Naoko Yoshida (Research Visitor, Meiji University).

10. Legal Philosophy

The Japan Association for Legal Philosophy held its 2009 General Meeting at Kansai University on November 14 and 15, 2009.

Main Theme: Risk Society and Law

Presentations on Each Theme:

Section A:

- (1) "Can Hume be a Contract Theorist?: Through Examining David Gothie's Analysis of Hume"
 - Takahumi Nakamura (Lecturer, Kagoshima National College of Technology)
- (2) "Review on the Theory of Immigrants' Justice: Examining Joseph Carens' Open Borders Theory"
 Seiko Urayama (Special Researcher, Japan Society for the Promotion