

80th Anniversary of the End of World War II International Workshop in March 2026

“Accountability of the Supreme Court and Constitutional Court and AI Analysis of Judgment Databases in Digital Justice”

Venue: Soshikan Conference Room Ritsumeikan Kinugasa Campus



10 March Tuesday

- 09:30 Opening Ceremony
- 10:00 Session1:
Moderator: Prof. Kimio Yakushiji (Ritsumeikan University)
Speaker: Justice Kim Hyungdu (The Constitutional Court of Korea) as Japan-Korea Diplomatic Relations 60th Anniversary Commemorative Special Lecture
“Digitalization and Artificial Intelligence in the Korean Judiciary: Challenges and Prospects.”
- 10:30 Commentator: Prof. Dr. Masato Ichikawa (Ritsumeikan University)
Prof. Dr. Christoph Hurni (President of the First Civil Division at the Swiss Federal Supreme Court)
Prof. Dr. Ian S Forrester, Former Justice of the General Court of the European Union
- 11:25 Session 2:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Michael Johannes Pils (Taylor Wessing)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Remo Caponi (Justice of Italian Supreme Court) as Japan-Italie Diplomatic Relations 60th Anniversary Commemorative Special Lecture
“The Italian Supreme Court: Structural and Procedural Challenges in the Age of AI”
- 11:55 Commentator:
Prof. Dr. Sheng-Lin JAN (National Taiwan University, Former Justice of the Taiwan Constitutional Court)
Prof. Dr. Katsuya Uga (Former Justice of the Supreme Court in Japan)
Prof. Dr. Álvaro Pérez Ragone (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú)
- 14:40 Session 3:
Moderator: Prof. Rieko Kitamura (Ritsumeikan University)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Christoph Hurni (President of the First Civil Division at the Swiss Federal Supreme Court)
“Digital Justice in Switzerland and the use of AI at the Swiss Federal Supreme Court”
- 15:10 Commentator: Prof. Dr. Antonios Karaiskos (Ryukoku University)
Dr. Apipong Sarnatikasem (Judge of Court of Appeal in Thailand)
- 15:45 Session 4:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Philipp Reuss (Göttingen University)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Álvaro Pérez Ragone (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú)
“Supreme and Constitutional Courts with Human Face”
- 15:15 Commentator:
Prof. Dr. Michael Johannes Pils (Taylor Wessing)
Prof. Dr. Omi Hatashin (Yasuda Women University)
- 16:50 Session 5:
Moderator: Dr. Apipong Sarnatikasem (Judge of Court of Appeal in Thailand)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Michael Johannes Pils (Taylor Wessing)
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- 17:20 Commentator: Prof. Dr. Antonios Karaiskos (Ryukoku University)
Prof. Dr. Zhixun Cao (Peking University)
- 17:40 End

11 March Wednesday

- 09:30 Greeting: Melanie Saxinger (Deutsche Generalkonsulin in Osaka und Kobe)
- 09:40 Session 6:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Zhixun Cao (Peking University)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Philipp Reuss (Göttingen University)
“The Use of AI in the Justice System - Making High Level Court Decisions Accessible to Citizens
- 10:10 Commentator: Justice Kim Hyungdu (Constitutional Court of Korea)
Dr. Apipong Sarnatikasem (Judge of Court of Appeal in Thailand)
- 10:45 Session 7:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Christoph Hurni (President of the First Civil Division at the Swiss Federal Supreme Court)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Sheng-Lin JAN (National Taiwan University, Former Justice of the Taiwan Constitutional Court)
“Digitalization and the Use of AI in the Taiwanese Judiciary”
- 11:15 Commentator: Prof. Tsukasa Mihira (Kyoto University)
Prof. Dr. Philipp Reuss (Göttingen University)
- 11:35 Lunch Meeting:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Masahisa Deguchi (Ritsumeikan University)
Presentation by Yasuhiro Fujioka
“John Lennon plagiarized numerous Chuck Berry compositions, Come Together being the prime example. He lost the court case and said sorry !”
- 13:30 Session 8:
Moderator: Justice Kim Hyungdu (The Constitutional Court of Korea)
Speaker: Prof. Jeffrey Lubbers (Amerikan University) “The U.S. Supreme Court--Still Operating in the Analog Age”
- 14:00 Commentator:
Prof. Dr. Katsuya Uga (Former Justice of the Supreme Court in Japan)
Prof. Dr. Philipp Reuss (Göttingen University)
- 14:20 Commentator: Prof. Dr. Álvaro Pérez Ragone (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú)
Prof. Dr. Sheng-Lin JAN (National Taiwan University, Former Justice of the Taiwan Constitutional Court)
- 14:35 Session 9:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Omi Hatashin (Yasuda Women University)
Speaker: Dr. Apipong Sarnatikasem (Judge of Court of Appeal in Thailand)
“Digitalization of Court Proceedings in Thailand”
- 15:05 Commentator: Prof. Dr. Tsukasa Mihira (Kyoto University)
Prof. Dr. Álvaro Pérez Ragone (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú)
- 15:40 Session 10:
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Remo Caponi (Justice of Italian Supreme Court)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Zhixun Cao (Peking University)
“Current trends of AI application in judicial areas and possible AI judges in China”
- 16:10 Commentator: Prof. Dr. Christoph Hurni (President of the First Civil Division at the Swiss Federal Supreme Court)
Prof. Dr. Antonios Karaiskos (Ryukoku University)
- 16:45 Session 11:
Moderator: Dr. Apipong Sarnatikasem (Judge of Court of Appeal in Thailand)
Speaker: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Burkhard Hess (University of Vienna)
“Digitalization in the European Court of Justice”
- 17:15 Commentator: Prof. Jeffrey Lubbers (Amerikan University)
Prof. Dr. Sheng-Lin JAN (National Taiwan University, Former Justice of the Taiwan Constitutional Court)
- 17:35 End

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