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 **Asian Law Schools Association (ALSA) Symposium**

**27 – 28 April 2021**

We invite proposals for papers and/or presentations on topics of interest relevant to the 2021 ALSA Symposium on legal education, entitled, *New Challenges and New Opportunities in Legal Education*, which will be conducted via Zoom. This symposium will be co-hosted by the School of Law, Jilin University and the School of Law, City University of Hong Kong.

**CALL FOR PAPERS**

Legal education is currently going through a transformative period due to the onset of the COVID-19 virus. In particular, few classes and assessments are currently being held in a face-to-face format. Rather, the majority of these classes and assessments are currently being conducted in an online mode. At some point in time, COVID-19 will no longer be an impediment to face-to-face interactions in legal education. However, in the interim, lessons will have been learned about the types of innovative face-to-face learning, online learning and hybrid learning methods that have proved effective and can be best utilized in the post-COVID teaching and learning era.

Participants are encouraged to share their experiences in developing and using these innovative practices and perhaps providing demonstrations of them. In addition to COVID-19 related issues, Participants are free to present papers on other topical issues concerning legal education that will be of relevance moving forward into the new millennium.

Potential topics for this symposium could include:

* The use of IT methods to enhance learning in law in real time, such as:
* Software platforms to collaboratively draft litigious and non-litigious documents
* Zoom lectures and tutorials
* Discussion boards
* Surveys and quizzes.
* “Flipping the classroom” though innovative methods, such as:
* Pre-recorded lectures
* Instructional DVDs.
* Discovery based learning, such as:
* Court visits and court reports
* Case studies involving recent decisions in appellate courts that change existing law
* Mooting competitions.
* Identifying and redressing gender inequality in legal education
* Student exchanges in the COVID-19 era
* Virtual and conventional internships
* Hybrid teaching to simultaneously teach remote and physically present learners
* Exploring educational teaching methods from an interdisciplinary learning perspective
* Research opportunities to explore the efficacy of current and future teaching methods in law schools
* Clinical legal education
* Teaching legal ethics discretely and pervasively.

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| KEY DATES |
| 1 December 2020 | Registrations open |
| 28 February 2021 | Registrations close |
| 15 March 2021  | Submissions for biographies, abstracts and draft papers close  |
| 27-28 April 2021 | Conference opening and presentations |
| 28 April 2021 | Conference close |

In addition to ALSA members, all interested academics are welcome to register, particularly those from Asia.

The proposed duration of each presentation will generally be 30 minutes. Please indicate if a longer session is required.

No registration fee is required for attendees, whether for ALSA members or otherwise. Please complete the registration formand send it to Ms Judy Xu at lwalsa@cityu.edu.hk no later than 28 February 2021.

Abstracts, biographies and draft papers should be sent to Ms Anna Lui at annalui@cityu.edu.hk no later than 15 March 2021.

**ALSA SYMPOSIUM 2021 – Draft Programme\***

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| TUESDAY 27 APRIL 2021 |
| 10:45am – 11am | Conference welcome speakers: Professor He Zhipeng, Dean and Professor of Law, Jilin University and Professor Tan Cheng-Han, Dean and Chair Professor of Commercial Law, City University of Hong Kong  |
| 11:00am – 1:00pm | Presentation Sessions |
| 1:00pm – 2:00pm | Lunch Break |
| 2:00pm – 3:30pm | Presentation Sessions |
| 3:30pm – 3:45pm | Afternoon Break |
| 3:45pm – 5:15pm | Presentation Sessions |

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| WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 2021 |
| 9:00am – 10:30am | Presentation Sessions |
| 10:30am – 11:00am | Morning Break |
| 11:00am – 12:30pm | Presentation Sessions |
| 12:30pm – 1:00pm | Closing Remarks |

\*The closing time of the conference, on 28 April 2021, may be extended depending on the number of draft papers submitted.

**About the Asian Law Schools Association**

ALSA is a new Association of Asian law schools that was inaugurated in January 2021. It is currently comprised of 22 founding members that are leading Asian law schools from China, India, Japan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand.

**Registration Form**

**for Asian Law Schools Association (ALSA) Symposium 2021:**

**New Challenges and New Opportunities in Legal Education**

Date: 27-28 April 2021 (Tue-Wed)

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