The Inaugural Asian Law Forum Symposium
School of Law
University of Wollongong

From Informality to Legalisation:
The Legal Dimension of the Asian Integration Process

Friday, 28 November 2014
Room: 67.202

08.30-09.00 Welcome tea

09.00-10.00 Launching of the Asian Law Forum

Welcome Remarks
Professor Warwick Gullett, Dean of the School of Law, University of Wollongong

His Excellency Mr Nadjib Riphat Kesoema
Ambassador of Indonesia

His Excellency Mr Kazi Imtiaz Hossain
High Commissioner for Bangladesh

Miss Nina P Cainglet
Minister, Embassy of the Philippines

Keynote Address
Professor Dustin Kuan-Hsiung Wang, Graduate Institute of Political Science, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan

10.00-10.30 Morning Tea

10.30-12.00 Session 1
Economic Regulations and Integration
Chair: Dr Gabriel Garcia

Investment Agreements in ASEAN
Associate Professor Jakkrit Kuanpooth, School of Law, University of Wollongong

Towards a Framework for East Asian Regionalism: Case Studies and Perspectives from the Application of the United Nations Guidelines for Consumer Protection
Dr Charles Chew. School of Law, University of Wollongong

The Role and Challenges of Islamic Financial Institutions in ASEAN Economic Integration
Dr Nadir Hosen, School of Law, University of Wollongong

FDI Regulation in India, Bangladesh and Malaysia
Dr Afroza Begum, Honorary Fellow, School of Law, University of Wollongong

Panel Discussion (30 minutes)
12.00-13.00 Lunch
Lunch presentation (15 minutes)

*Connecting with Asia: the School of Law’s Malaysian Internship Program*

John Littrich, Discipline Leader-Clinical Legal Education and Professional Engagement, School of Law, University of Wollongong

13.00-14.30 Session 2

**Exploring Legal Opportunities to Strengthen Integration in Asia**

*Chair: Associate Professor Jakkrit Kuanpoth*

*Indigenous Knowledge in Asia,*
Prof Natalie Stoianoff, Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney

*Harmonising private law in Asia*
Associate Professor Gary F. Bell, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore

*Territorial Disputes in Southeast Asia and Regional Integration*
Dr Lowell Bautista, School of Law, University of Wollongong

*From Informality to Legalisation: the Chiang Mai Initiative Multilateralization*
Dr Gabriel Garcia, School of Law, University of Wollongong

Panel Discussion (30 minutes)

14.30-15.00 Afternoon tea

15.00-16.15 Session 3

**National Topical Issues and their Implications for the Region**

*Chair: Dr Lowell Bautista*

*New Reproductive Technologies in Japan*
Prof Vera Mackie, School of Humanities and Social Inquiry, University of Wollongong

*Unscrupulous Businesses and Criminal Liability for Unsafe Foods in Bangladesh, India and Australia: A Comparison and Contrast*
Dr Sheikh Solaiman, School of Law, University of Wollongong

*China’s Economic Development: Implications for the Region*
Dr Ying Lin, Preece Lin Lawyers and China Commercial Law Firm, a registered foreign lawyer with the Law Society of NSW

Panel Discussion (30 minutes)

16.15-16.45 Closing Remarks