International Symposium

LAW AND DISASTERS
What Can We Learn from Complex Disasters?

East Japan Disaster on March 11, 2011 brought huge damages to Japan, but the nuclear pollution also affected overseas. A large scale disaster such as this occurred not only in Japan but also in foreign countries. We, living in the global community, must be able to learn from experiences of other countries and utilize them to prevent or mitigate damages in future. In this international symposium, scholars from Japan, the U.S., the E.U., Chile, Indonesia and Thailand bring their experiences to discuss what we can do to prevent or mitigate damages and how we can overcome problems we face in the process of recovery.

Moderators: Prof Masayuki Murayama (Associate Director of the International Collaboration Headquarters, Meiji University)
Prof Charles Weisselberg (Associate Director of the Sho Sato Program, the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law)

14:00 – 14:20 “Lessons from the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Plant Accident and Issues of safety Regulation in Future”
Prof Hideaki Shiroyama (The University of Tokyo)

14:25 – 14:50 “The EU Legal Regulation for Emergency Evacuation”
Prof Dimitri Vanoverbeke (The University of Leuven)

14:50 – 15:30 “How Could We Overcome Obstacles for Recovery?”
Prof Geraldine Herrmann (Universidad Diego Portales)
Dr. Fadjar Thufail (The Indonesian Institute of Science)
Ms. Kridtiyaporn Wongsa (Chiang Mai University)

15:30 – 15:50 Intermission

15:50 – 16:15 “Katrina Disasters and the Work of Lawyers”
Mr. Reilly Morse (The Mississippi Center for Justice)

16:15 – 16:40 “Tort Damages or Compensation for Large Scale Disasters”
Prof. Eric Feldman (The University of Pennsylvania)

16:40 – 17:05 “Events beyond Imagination? Integrating Catastrophic Risks into Decision Making”
Prof Daniel Farber (The University of California, Berkeley)

17:05 – 17:15 Intermission

17:15 – 18:00 General Discussion with Questions and Answers

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