



Call for Papers

Asian SIL Interest Group on International Law in Domestic Courts
24 August 2017
Yonsei University, Seoul, South Korea

On the occasion of the Sixth Biennial Conference of the [Asian Society of International Law](#) (which takes place on 25-26 August), the Society's Interest Group on International Law in Domestic Courts (IG - ILDC) is organizing a half-day workshop on the ways Asian courts invoke, interpret and apply international law. For decades, judiciaries across Asia have turned to international treaties, and customary international law, to resolve disputes between private actors on the one hand, and between individuals and the states on the other. Despite this widespread practice, insufficient attention has been paid to the Asian countries' reception of international law. We hope to use this opportunity to spur scholarly reflection on state practice from any Asian jurisdiction.

Participants may wish to address the following topics:

- interpretive methods used by courts to enforce obligations under international human rights treaties;
- why courts enforce (or refuse) arbitral awards under the New York Convention;
- direct and indirect applications of the Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods;
- the rights of prisoners of war under the Geneva and Hague Conventions, or other sources of international humanitarian law; and
- courts' citation to reports, recommendations and comments issued by treaty-monitoring bodies and international organizations; and
- invocation of unincorporated treaties.

This is by no means an exhaustive list; interested participants are encouraged to reflect on these, and other, topics that would fall within this general category.

- Interested researchers and practitioners should send a 500-word abstract and a short bio to the convenors of the IG-ILDC: m.kanetake@uu.nl (Machiko Kanetake) and tjw71@case.edu (Tim Webster). The deadline is **23 April 2017**.
- Selected participants will be informed by 15 May 2017. Preference will be given to current members of the Asian Society of International Law.
- Each participant must submit a short paper (5-10 pages) by 15 August 2017 for distribution to the other participants.
- Panelists will be expected to cover their own travel and lodging costs.

We look forward to seeing you in Seoul.