







# **Call for Papers**

### 2023 ILA-ASIL ASIA-PACIFIC RESEARCH FORUM

Indo-Pacific Strategies and International Law

December 3-4, 2023 Taipei, Taiwan

Hosted by:

The Research Center for International Legal Studies of National Chengchi University (NCCU)

College of International Affairs, *in partnership with* the Chinese (Taiwan) Society of International Law –

Chinese (Taiwan) Branch of the International Law Association (ILA), the International Law &

Technology Interest Group of the American Society of International Law (ASIL), and the Foundation for the Development of International Law in Asia (DILA)

#### I. Theme

In recognition and celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ILA, the Research Center for International Legal Studies of NCCU College of International Affairs will hold the ILA-ASIL Asia-Pacific Research Forum on December 3-4, 2023, at Howard Civil Service International House in Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China (ROC). The theme of the Research Forum is "*Indo-Pacific Strategies and International Law*." The Research Forum aims to provide a forum for academics, private practitioners, and government attorneys to present works-in-progress across the spectrum of international and transnational law issues related to the Asia-Pacific region. The tentative schedule for the Research Forum is as follows:

Sunday, December 3, 2023: Opening Ceremony and Forum Sessions
 Monday, December 4, 2023: Forum Sessions and Closing Ceremony

## II. Submission of Paper Proposals

The Organizing Committee welcomes proposals on the areas of international and transnational law related to the Indo-Pacific, including, but not limited to:

- 1. A New Legal Order in the Indo-Pacific (*e.g.*, legal frameworks governing the Indo-Pacific strategies of ASEAN, Australia, Canada, the EU, Japan, the United States and other countries)
- 2. Law of the Sea (*e.g.*, legal and policy issues relating to the South China Sea, the East China Sea, and the Taiwan Strait; the request for an ITLOS advisory opinion on climate change and international law; Pacific Islands and climate change; and sea level rise)
- 3. International Human Rights Law (*e.g.*, UN Sustainable Development Goals and human rights; the Myanmar situation; Covid-related restrictive measures and human rights; climate change and right to clean, healthy, and sustainable environment; forced labor, gender equality and LGBTQ issues)

- 4. International Law and Technology (*e.g.*, cybersecurity and cyber warfare; deep sea and outer space mining; surveillance and spy balloons; AI and human rights; and digital economy/partnership agreements)
- 5. International Economic Law (*e.g.*, CPTPP expansion; the roles of the FTAAP and the IPEF; the semiconductor industry and the Chip 4 Alliance; and economic sanctions on authoritarian governments)
- 6. International Environmental and Climate Law (*e.g.*, the Indo-Pacific Carbon Offsets Scheme; Bangkok Goals on Bio-Circular-Green Economy; and climate litigation and international law)

Paper proposals must be submitted via <a href="https://reurl.cc/OEAkjg">https://reurl.cc/OEAkjg</a> by **June 30, 2023**. The proposal should be no more than 500 words, and should include the author's name and e-mail address. Please also provide a 1-2-page CV, including a list of recent publications in English.

The Organizing Committee welcomes proposal submissions from ILA and ASIL members, as well as from non-members. Junior academics, private practitioners, and government attorneys are particularly welcome. The Organizing Committee will select proposals and announce the results in July 2023. Paper presenters are required to submit complete, unpublished papers by November 1, 2023. The footnotes should conform to the US Bluebook format.

#### **III.** Other Information

Eight to twelve papers will be selected for publication in the <u>Chinese (Taiwan) Yearbook of International Law and Affairs</u> (Brill | Nijhoff). The Yearbook commenced publication in 1981. Prior distinguished authors include David Caron, Bin Cheng, Hungdah Chiu, Jerome Cohen, Jon Van Dyke and Helmut Tuerk. The Yearbook is Scopus indexed, and its articles are also available on BrillOnline, HeinOnline, and Westlaw.

The Organizing Committee will select the three best submitted papers. The authors are required to present the papers at the Research Forum in person and to submit the final revised papers to the Yearbook for consideration. Each selected author will be awarded one of the following prizes in memory of eminent ROC jurists and diplomats for their significant contributions to Taiwan and beyond:

- Wellington Koo (顏維鈞) Prize (for early career researchers in international law below the age of 35); Koo served as the ICJ Judge and the ROC Ambassador to the United States.
- Hsu Mo (徐謨) Prize (international law and diplomacy); Hsu was the ICJ Judge and the first chairperson of the NCCU Department of Diplomacy.
- Feng-Shan Ho (何鳳山) Prize (international human rights and humanitarian law); Ho served as the ROC Consul-General in Austria during World War II and saved nearly 2,000 Jews by issuing them visas.

The Organizing Committee will cover the prize winners' accommodation for two nights, and their papers will be published by the Yearbook, subject to the final approval of the Editorial Board of the Yearbook Other paper presenters and participants of the Research Forum are responsible for their travel and accommodation expenses. After the Research Forum, the revised papers will be subject to peer review, and the editorial board of the Yearbook will make the final publication decision.

Registration details will be announced by October 2023. Other inquiries can be directed to the Organizing Committee, including Chun-i Chen, Richard C. Chen, Pasha Hsieh, Helen Huang, Yurika Ishii, Yoshimichi Ishikawa, Jeffrey Li, Ching-Fu Lin, Han-Wei Liu, Asaf Lubin, Trang (Mae) Nguyen, Pei-Lun Tsai, and Peter Tzeng via e-mail at ila@nccu.edu.tw.

The host institution of the Research Forum is the Research Center for International Legal Studies of NCCU College of International Affairs. The Center and the Chinese (Taiwan) Society of International Law coorganized the ILA Asia-Pacific Regional Conference in 2011, and the ILA-ASIL Asia-Pacific Research Forum in 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019 and 2021. This Research Forum aims to strengthen the ILA-ASIL collaboration on promoting international law research related to the Asia-Pacific region.