JAPANESE SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW
PROGRAMME OF THE 129TH ANNUAL MEETING (2026)*

3-5 September 2026

Day 1

SESSION 1: "ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY"

Thursday, 3 September, 14:00-17:30

Chair: YOKOMIZO Dai, Professor, Nagoya University

1. Artificial Intelligence and the Future of International Law:
   Implications for Scholarship and Practice
   HAMAMOTO Shotaro, Professor, Kyoto University

2. Information and Communication Technologies and State Jurisdiction:
   Reconfiguring State Power in the Digital Age
   TAKEUCHI Mari, Professor, Kobe University

3. Metaverse and Private International Law
   HAGA Yuriko, Professor, Seikei University

4. The Technologization of Border Control: Reality, Structure, and Consequences
   KAWAKUBO Fuminori, Professor, Chuo Gakuin University

* All presentations, except those in The Honourable Shigeru Oda Commemorative Lectures and Panel 2, will be delivered in Japanese.

Day 2

SESSION 2: The Honourable Shigeru Oda Commemorative Lectures

Theme: Crisis of International Law

Friday, 4 September, 10:00-13:00

Chair: FURUYA Shuichi, Professor, Waseda University

1. Double Standards in International Law
   Anne Peters, Professor, Dr Dr h.c. mult.
   Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and Public International Law

2. Absolute Dysfunction or Normative Resilience?
   Reassessing the UN Collective Security System in a Time of UN Crisis
   MARUYAMA Masami, Professor, Yamagata University

3. Crises in International Organizations? Humanitarian Governance from Within
   AKAHOSHI Sho, Associate Professor, Kobe University

SESSION 3: THREE PARALLEL PANELS

Friday, 4 September, 14:30-17:30

PANEL 1: THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE DOCTRINE OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Chair: KAWANO Mariko, Professor, Waseda University

1. Functional Failure of Sovereign Immunity from Jurisdiction under International Law?
   MIZUSHIMA Tomonori, Professor, Nagoya University

2. Structural Transformation of Sovereign Immunity from Execution:
   The Struggle between Expansion and Restriction
   MATSUI Akihiro, Professor, Osaka Institute of Technology

3. A Foreign Court Decision on Immunity from Jurisdiction and Private International Law

TAMURA Yuya, Associate Professor, Kanazawa University

4. Sovereign Immunity from the Perspective of International Relations Theory: Diffusion and Contestation
   TAKEUCHI Masatoshi, Professor, Toyo Gakuen University
   Commentator: SAKAMAKI Shizuka, Professor, Seijo University

PANEL 2: TAIWAN-JAPAN JOINT SESSION: INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE GOVERNANCE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

Chair: NISHI Taira, Professor, Kansai University

1. Digital Resilience, Digital Sovereignty and Sovereign AI Regulatory Frameworks: International Cooperation and National Regulatory Models
   WENG Wesley Yi-Hung, Professor, Shih Hsin University

2. Governance of Digital Platforms and Countering Disinformation: International Cooperation and National Regulatory Frameworks
   HONG Wei-Sheng, Adjunct Assistant Professor, National Taipei University
   CHEN Yaw-Shyang, Assistant Professor, National Taipei University

Discussants: FUKUSHIMA Ryoshi, Associate Professor, Otemon Gakuin University
MEGURO Maiko, Head of Data Free Flow with Trust / Senior Policy Analyst at the OECD

PANEL 3: OPEN CALL SESSION

Chair: MAEDA Naoko, Professor, Nagoya University

1. Multi-Layered Structure of Inter-State Claims Concerning Violations of Individual Rights under International Law
   TSUCHIYA Shiho, Associate Professor, Takushoku University

2. Possibilities and Challenges of Interpreting Refugee Law through International Human Rights Law: Focusing on Constraints on State Sovereignty under the Principle of Non-Refoulement

ANDO Yukari, Professor, Toyama University

3. Evaluating the ICJ's Advisory Opinion on Climate Change
HAYAKAWA Osamu, Ambassador, Embassy of Japan in the Dominican Republic

Day 3

SESSION 4: THREE PARALLEL PANELS

Saturday, 5 September, 10:00-13:00

PANEL 4: THE CURRENT STATE OF "RESPONSIBILITY" IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

Chair: OBATA Kaoru, Visiting Professor, Kansai University

1. The Current State of the Law of State Responsibility: The ILC Articles and Beyond
   NISHIMURA Yumi, Professor, University of Tokyo

2. The Current Legal Situation Regarding the Invocation of State Responsibility by Third States
   YAMADA Takuhei, Professor, Ryukoku University

3. Responsibility of International Organizations Today: Revisiting the Critique of ARIO through the Lens of Accountability
   SAMARA Norihito, Professor, Musashino University

4. What Is and Is Not the Responsibility to Protect? Norm Structure and Norm (Mis)Application
   MADOKORO Daisuke, Associate Professor, University of Kitakyushu

PANEL 5: OPEN CALL SESSION

Chair: WANI Kentaro, Professor, Osaka University

1. Evolution of the Function of the Complementarity Principle at the International Criminal Court: An International Control Perspective
   NAGASAWA Hiromu, Assistant Professor, Hitotsubashi University

2. Harmonizing the Jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court: Legal Questions Arising from the Review of the Kampala Amendments on the Crime of Aggression
   GOTO Kazuki, Researcher/Adviser, Embassy of Japan in the Netherlands

3. Normative Developments Concerning Limitations on the Use of Veto by the Permanent Members and Their Legal Significance: A Comparative Study of Two Cases Involving Crimes Against Humanity

SEOKA Nao, Associate Professor, Kindai University

PANEL 6: OPEN CALL PANEL: THE VIABILITY OF REGULATING CONTEMPORARY MARITIME MILITARY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT MEASURES UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW

Chair: SETA Makoto, Professor, Waseda University

1. Legal Consideration of Maritime Military and Law Enforcement Activities in the Context of the "War on Drugs"

YASUI Kengo, Associate Professor, Chukyo University

2. The Distinction Between Enemy Merchant Vessels and Neutral Merchant Vessels during International Armed Conflict

SATO Koki, Faculty Member, JMSDF Command and Staff College

3. Assessment of Maritime Control Measures under International Law

URAGUCHI Kaoru, Associate Professor, National Defense Academy

4. Significance of Maritime Control in the Law of Armed Conflict at Sea: Proposals for the Special Protection of Submarine Cables

ISHII Yurika, Professor, Sophia University

Comment

ARAI Kyo, Professor, Doshisha University

SESSION 5: TWO PARALLEL PANELS

Saturday, 5 September, 14:30-17:30

PANEL 7: THE CONTRIBUTION OF JAPANESE INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PRACTITIONERS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS

Chair: TOYODA Tetsuya, Professor, Akita International University

1. The Contribution of Japanese Lawyer-Diplomats to the Permanent Court of Arbitration, 1899–1914

   KITA Yasuo, Professor, Teikyo University

2. International Law Practice in Japan's Foreign Policy in the Interwar Period: The Case of Yotaro SUGIMURA

   BANJO Kenji, Assistant Professor, University of Tokyo

3. Collective Security in Interwar Japan and Tachi Sakutaro: Can International Law Practitioners Shape Diplomatic History?

   HIGUCHI Mao, Associate Professor, Seikei University

4. The Role of International Law Practitioners in Interwar Japan: The Kellogg–Briand Pact

   NISHIJIMA Michiko, Associate Professor, Kurume University

PANEL 8: OPEN CALL PANEL: JAPAN'S INTERNATIONAL LEGAL POLICY AS A THIRD STATE AND IN ANTICIPATION OF BELLIGERENCY IN ARMED CONFLICTS: REFLECTING ON 80 YEARS SINCE THE END OF WORLD WAR II

Chair: YAKUSHIJI Kimio, Visiting Researcher, Kyoto Human Rights Research Institute

1. The Implications of Japan's Defense Legislation for International Legal Studies

   NAKANO Takeshi, Professor, Kyoto University

2. A *Jus in Bello* Analysis of Japan's Legal Policies on National Contingencies, Collective Self-Defense, and Extended Nuclear Deterrence: The Issue of Co-Party/Belligerent Status

MAYAMA Akira, Professor, Osaka Gakuin University

3. Japan's Policy on UN Collective Security and Neutrality

HIROMI Masayuki, Associate Professor, Kobe City University of Foreign Studies

4. Civil Defence under the Law of Armed Conflict and Its Implementation in Japan: The Relationship with Japan's Civil Protection Act

MATSUYAMA Saori, Lecturer, Kobe University

5. Foreign War Criminals and Immigration Control

OZAKI Kuniko, Specially Appointed Visiting Professor
Tohoku University Center for International Law and Policy