

## CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW Seminar Series

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**29 September 2010, Wednesday, 4.00pm – 5.30pm**  
NUS Bukit Timah Campus, Block B, Level 3, Seminar Room 3

## THE KOSOVO ADVISORY OPINION: Self-Determination, Secession, and Other Unanswered Questions

On 22 July 2010, the International Court of Justice issued its long-awaited Advisory Opinion on Kosovo's unilateral declaration of independence from Serbia. This panel discussion will consider the opinion and what it does – and does not – mean for the norm of self-determination, other groups aspiring to secession, and the role of international law and institutions in such highly politicised situations.

### SPEAKERS



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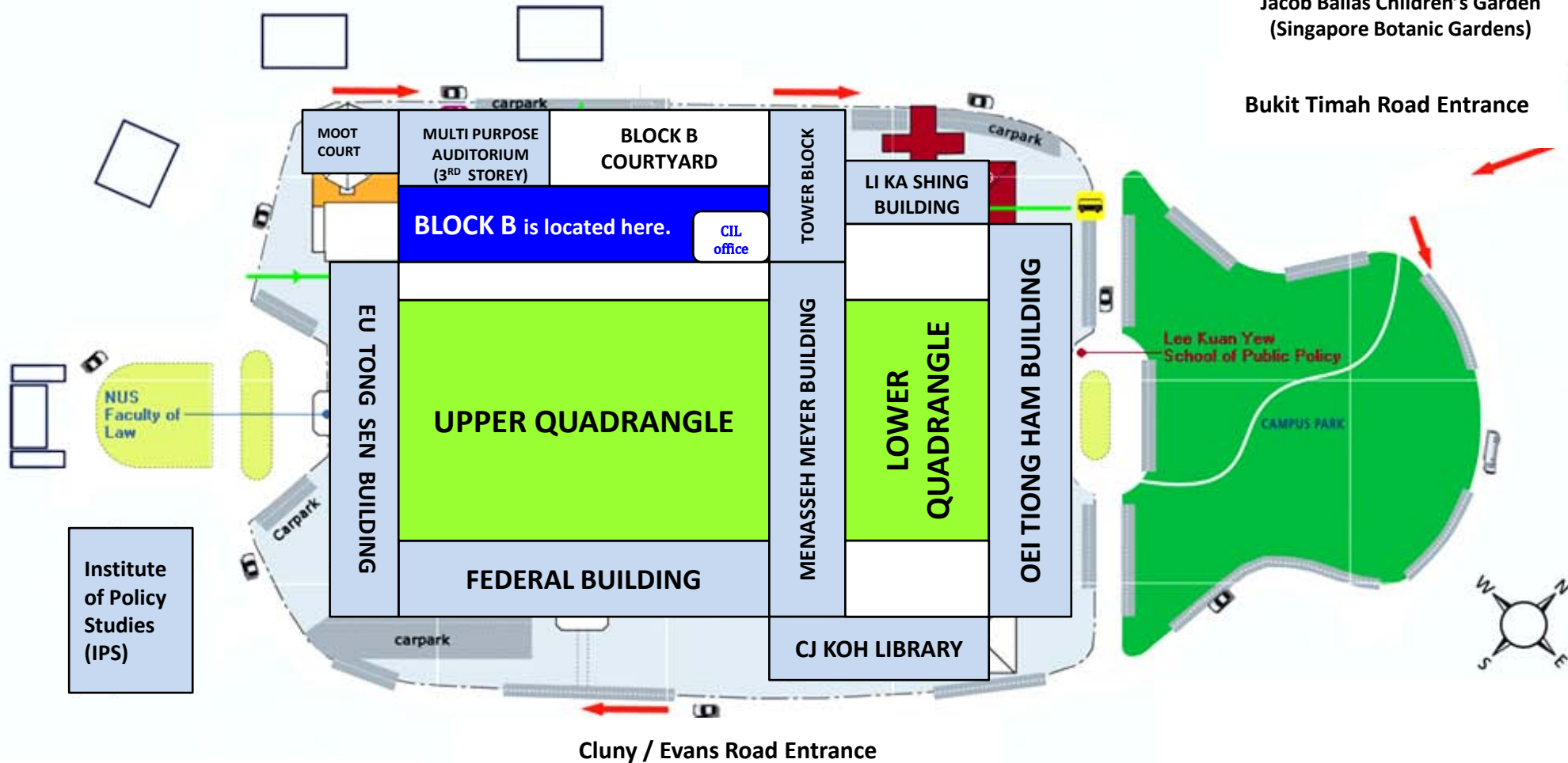
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#### ABOUT THE CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW (CIL)

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