





12th December 2025, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Venue: Orchard Rendezvous Hotel, Singapore

The Centre for International Law at the National University of Singapore is hosting a workshop entitled 'Governing AI for People, Planet & Progress: AI Sovereignty and International Law'. The programme features selected presentations contributing to the forthcoming special issue on AI Sovereignty and International Law in the Asian Journal of Law and Society (AJLS) published by Cambridge University Press, framing Asia-focused and Global South-driven perspectives for the upcoming India AI Impact Summit.

This is a designated India AI Impact Pre-Summit event, bringing together regional policymakers, judges, diplomats, industry experts and scholars to discuss how countries can pursue AI sovereignty while engaging in global cooperation, trade rules, technology standards and rights-based governance. The programme further includes an introduction of the newly formed International Law Association Committee on AI & Technology Law, the launch of UNESCO's Guidelines on the Use of AI in Courts and Tribunals in Southeast Asia, and contributions from stakeholders.





PROGRAMME

TIME	<u>SESSION</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>
9:30 – 10:00	Registration	Participants Registration
10:00-10:05	Introduction of Speakers	Dr. Jon Truby , Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore
10:05 – 10:10	Welcome Remarks	Professor. Nilüfer Oral , Director, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore
10:10-10:20	Keynote Address	Ms. Lucia Velasco, Head of AI Policy, United Nations Office for Digital & Emerging Technologies (UN ODET)
10:20 – 10:35	Special Address	Mr. S Krishnan, Secretary of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India
10:35-10:40	Video Message	Ambassador Indra Mani Pandey, Secretary General, BIMSTEC





COFFEE BREAK (MORNING) TIME 10:40 – 11:00

PANEL 1. GLOBAL NORMS AND REGIONAL COOPERATION

TIME 11:00 – 12:10

MODERATOR Mr. Lam Sze Hong (Ocean), Research Fellow, Centre for International Law, NUS.

ASEAN as a Bridgebuilder: Operationalising AI Sovereignty Through Inclusive Governance and South-South Cooperation

Mr. Looi Teck Kheong, Global AI Ambassador, Global Council for Responsible AI (GCRAI)

Bandung.ai: Constructing AI Sovereignty Through Asian Regionalisms

Professor Stephen Minas, Professor, Peking University

Role of BIMSTEC in advancing Regional AI Governance

Mr. K. K. Yogaanandan Director, BIMSTEC Secretariat

Regulatory Autonomy and AI Sovereignty

Associate Professor Rafael Dean Brown, Associate Professor, Qatar University & Dr Duygu Özlük, Assistant Professor, Selçuk University, Türkiye

Emerging National AI Regulatory Regimes In APAC

Mr. Josh Lee Kok Thong, Managing Director, Future of Privacy Forum APAC

PANEL 2. AI FOR DEVELOPMENT & INCLUSION

TIME **12:10 – 13:10**

MODERATOR Associate Professor Rafael Dean Brown, Clinical Associate Professor at Quart University College of Law

Australia's AI Laws: Implications for AI Sovereignty and International Trade Professor Niloufer Selvadurai, Associate Dean (Research), Macquarie Law School

Geneva's Role in Shaping Global AI Norms: Lessons from WTO, WIPO and UNCTAD

Dr. Ahmed Al-Sulaiti, Qatar Mission to WTO, WIPO & UNCTAD, HBKU

The Fragile Firewall: Sovereignty, Non-Intervention, and the Problem of Coercion Dr. Samuel White, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore

Between Commitments and Sovereignty: Asian Developing Members' Approaches to the CPTPP's Free Flow of Data

Mr. Duc Anh Nguyen, PhD Candidate, ANU College of Law, Governance and Policy





Algorithmic Governance and International Law: Reconciling Sovereignty and **Cross-Border Accountability**

Dr Anjali Yadav, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Delhi

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TIME 13:10-14:10 **VENUE Tunglok Signatures, 2nd Floor, Orchard Rendezvous**

PANEL 3. SUSTAINABLE AI & ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE

TIME 14:10 – 15:00

MODERATOR Dr Jon Truby, Lead, AI and Technology Law Research, The Centre for **International Law, NUS**

Cross-border Governance of AI: A Comparative Perspective from the Construction and Energy Sectors in ASEAN and the GCC

Dr. Hossam M. Aly, Assistant Professor, Abu Dhabi University

Litigation Risks and Transnational Governance Challenges in Sustainable AI Ms. Elizabeth WU, Transnational Governance Consultant / Lead Advisor,

Environmental Justice and Transnational Governance, Climate Governance Malaysia

Impact of AI Sovereignty on Human Rights, Freedom of Expression and Privacy in the Aspect of National Security

Ms. Seah Park, Visiting Scholar, Nanyang Technological University (NTU) Digital Trust Centre, Singapore

AI Sovereignty, Data Bias, and Ethical Challenges in International Law

Mr. Noble Lo & Ms Ada Yuen, Lecturer, Hong Kong Polytechnic University & Funds and Regulatory Executive, Hong Kong.

COFFEE BREAK (AFTERNOON)

TIME 15:00 – 15:15

PANEL 4. AI IN JUSTICE DELIVERY SYSTEMS (UNESCO GUIDELINES LAUNCH)

TIME 15:15 – 16:20

MODERATOR Celine Lange, Research Fellow - Lead, Programme Development, International Dispute Resolution, Centre for International Law at NUS

Feature Presentation by Dr Kamel El Hilali, UNESCO

Launch of UNESCO Guidelines on the Use of AI in Courts and Tribunals in South-East Asia

Responsible Deployment of AI in Judicial Systems: Lessons for International **Lawyers from Microsoft**





Ms. Johanna Leung, Head of Legal, Microsoft ASEAN

AI in Justice Delivery Systems

Mr. Eric Chin, Asia Pacific Director at PwC NewLaw & Founding Board at ASEAN LegalTech (ALT)

Architecture of AI Governance in Judicial Systems: A Comparative Study (Virtual Presentation)

Dr. Peerapat Chokesuwattanaskul, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok

AI Sovereignty and Judicial Governance: Reflections from the EU AI Act and its Influence on the Global South (Virtual Presentation)

Professor Christine Kaddous, Professor, University of Geneva

ILA Introductory session & Closing Remarks

16:20-16:55

ILA Introduction Session

Dr. Jon Truby, Chairperson, AI & Technology Committee, ILA

Dr. Rafael Dean Brown & Dr. Ahmed Al-Sulaiti, Co-Rapporteurs (ILA AI & Technology Committee

Ms. KOH Swee Yen, Senior Counsel Partner WongPartnership LLP & President ILA Singapore Branch

Mr. David Low Director, Legal MDDI Singapore & ILA AI & Technology Committee (Member, Singapore)

Mr. Mahdev Mohan, Practice Head & Of Counsel, KGP Legal & ILA AI & Technology Committee (Member, Singapore)

16:55 - 17:00

Closing Discussion & Thanks

Dr Jon Truby, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore

RECEPTION DINNER 17:30–20:30 ORCHARD CAFÉ, ORCHARD HOTEL

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