

The 1st International Symposium of Marine and Maritime Interdisciplinary Current Issues: Jurisdictional Issues on Seabed Resources: Underwater Cultural Heritage, Oil and Gas Developments and BBNJ



Purpose & Objectives: The purpose and objectives of this Symposium to bring together the wisdom of distinguished leading researching making long standing efforts in their own fields of marine and/or maritime interdisciplinary problems to address and discuss the significance and the role of “Rule of Law” in international community with a cross-cutting and long-term vision. We also anticipate that the Symposium will lead to the further development of young people who are interested in marine, maritime, and international consequential issues arising disputes in relation to the ocean, and inspire the participants to contribute and further enrich marine and/or maritime security, *inter alia*, International Law of the Sea.

Date : 25 November 2024, Monday / **Venue :** UMEKI Y Hall, Kobe University

Opening Address: Dr. HIRAYAMA Katsutoshi, Dean of Graduate School of Maritime Sciences

Program

10:00 ~ 10:10 Opening Remarks

Moderator: YAKUSHIJI Kimio, the Former Professor of Kobe University of Mercantile Marine (term of office, 1981-1987) , Professor *Emeritus*, Ritsumeikan University

Key note Speech

10:10 ~ 10:30 A Brief Comment on Jurisdictional Issues over the Maritime Areas in Asian Coastal States

Prof. Dr. Jay L. Batongbacal, UP College of Law, Institute for Maritime Affairs and Law of the Sea, Dean for Research and Development

Key note Speech

10:30 ~ 11:00 The Interface between CBD (COP16) and “Exploitation Regulation”

Mr. Clement Yow Mulalap, Permanent Mission to the United Nations from Federated States of Micronesia

Presentations

11:00 ~ 11:30 *Usages of Shipwrecked Warships: Possible Procedures to Resolve the Issues*

Prof. AIZAWA Teruaki, Associate professor, National Defense Academy

11:30 ~ 11:50 *Research Partnerships to Understand and Protect Underwater Cultural Heritage in Advance of Potential Offshore Energy and Mineral Development*

Mr. Jeremy Potter, U.S. Department of Interior

11:50 ~ 12:20 *The Challenge of Navigating Transition away from Fossil Fuels in view of the Strategic Importance of Seabed Resources: The Case of North Sea and Namibia*

Dr. Leon Moller, Law Lecturer, the School of Law and Social Sciences of Robert Gordon University

12:30 ~ 13:30 **Lunch & Poster Display** Citizens Addressing Science in Maritime Archaeology: Convergence Knowledge (2023FY-2028FY)

Afternoon Presentation

13:30 ~ 13:50 *Prospects of Committee on Research and Examination of Underwater Cultural Heritage Sites*

Prof. Dr. KIMURA Jun, Department of Humanities, Tokai University

13:50 ~ 14:10 *An Appraisal of “Japan’s Handbook of Underwater Archaeological Sites”*

Prof. Dr. SASAKI Randy, Research Institute of Cultural Properties, Teikyo University

14:10 ~ 14:30 *Agreement on Part XI, Fish Stock Agreement, Underwater Heritage Convention, BBNJ Agreement Derived from UNCLOS: A Transformation of Sovereign Rights?*

Prof. Dr. NAKADA Tatsuya, International Maritime research Center, Kobe University

14:30 ~ 15:00 **Refreshment Break**

15:00 ~ 15:20 *Bridging the Functionally Jurisdictional Gap between International Fisheries and Underwater Cultural Heritage*

Prof. YOSHIHARA Tsukasa, School of Law of Himeji Dokkyo University

15:20 ~ 15:40 *Knowledge Gaps among Stakeholders in Deep Seabed Mineral Resource Development: Administrators, Rule Makers, Scientists, Contractors, and Others*

Prof. Dr. FUKUSHIMA Tomohiko, Kobe Ocean Exploration Bottom Center, Kobe University

15:40 ~ 16:00 **Q&A**

16:00 ~ 16:10 **Closing Address** Prof. Dr. YAMAUCHI Tomoya, Director of International Maritime Research Center



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