

## LUNCHTIME TALK :



# GENDER, LAW & LANGUAGE

Date: 31 August 2016

Time: 1pm – 3pm

Venue: SR4-3, Block B

<http://tinyurl.com/jlj3xdw>

### SYNOPSIS

- How might a person's gender influence their approach to a task or their use of language?
- Might differences in approaches or communication styles between genders impact performance in law (whether in school or in career)?
- How might awareness of such differences modify a person's approach to minimize the impact of (often unintended) gender bias in readers of our work?

Professor Mindy Chen-Wishart will give a brief talk, share some ideas and invite you to discuss the issues raised.

### SPEAKER



**Mindy Chen-Wishart** is Professor of the Law of Contract and Associate Dean of Graduates at Oxford University. She is also Fellow in Law at Merton College as well as holding a fractional professorship at the National University of Singapore. She also holds or has held visiting professorships at Hong Kong University, the National University of Taiwan, Otago University, Auckland University, Canterbury University and Gottingen University. She is author of *Contract Law* (5th ed, OUP, 2015), an editor of *Chitty on Contracts* (32<sup>nd</sup> ed), and a member of the Advisory Group on *A Restatement of the English Law of Contract*. Mindy has lectured to the *Judicial College* of England and Wales, and the Judicial Academies in Taiwan and Hong Kong. She was named author of the best article of 2013 in the *International and Comparative Law Quarterly*. Most importantly, she is mother to three sons.