Market-Dominant Small Jurisdictions in a Globalising Financial World

Prof Christopher Bruner, Professor of Law and Director of the Frances Lewis Law Center at Washington and Lee University and Visiting Scholar at the NUS Centre for Banking & Finance Law, presented a seminar on his research on “Market-Dominant Small Jurisdictions in a Globalising Financial World” on 12 February at the NUS Bukit Timah Campus.

The research Prof Bruner conducted includes the jurisdictions of Bermuda, Hong Kong, Switzerland and Delaware. During the seminar, Prof Bruner expounded his proposed conceptual framework that aims to refine the nature, legal status, and market roles of small jurisdictions in cross-border corporate and financial services, amidst raging controversy over the legitimacy of offshore financing in the United States and internationally. The proposed framework seeks to steer the ongoing debate towards more productive inquiries that explore the potential legal and economic benefits as well as downsides of small jurisdictions.

The event attracted an audience comprising academics, practitioners and Law students.