Book Launch: Governing Climate Change



Author of Governing Climate Change: Global Cities and Transnational Lawmaking, Associate Professor Jolene Lin (Director, Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL))

The Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL) organised a book launch on 24 January 2019 at NUS Law to celebrate the publication of Governing Climate Change: Global Cities and Transnational Lawmaking by Associate Professor Jolene Lin (Director, APCEL).

Billed as a fireside chat, the event featured author Associate Professor Jolene Lin and Professor Tommy Koh '61 (Ambassador-at-Large (Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Singapore and Chair, APCEL) in a lively discussion about the claim that cities are making and implementing international law in the realm of climate change governance.

The Book

Cities are no longer just places to live in. They are significant actors on the global stage, and nowhere is this trend more prominent than in the world of transnational climate change governance (TCCG). Through transnational networks that form links between cities, states, international organisations, corporations, and civil society, cities are developing and implementing norms, practices, and voluntary standards across national boundaries. In introducing cities as transnational lawmakers, Jolene Lin provides an exciting new perspective on climate change law and policy, offering novel insights about the reconfiguration of the state and the nature of international lawmaking as the involvement of cities in TCCG blurs the public/private divide and the traditional strictures of 'domestic' versus 'international'. This illuminating book should be read by anyone interested in understanding how cities - in many cases, more than the countries in which they are located - are addressing the causes and consequences of climate change.

More information about this book is available at Cambridge University Press



L-R: Associate Professor Jolene Lin (Director, APCEL) and Professor Tommy Koh '61 (Ambassador-at-Large (Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Singapore and Chair, APCEL)



Associate Professor Jolene Lin and Professor Tommy Koh '61 in a lively discussion



L-R: Professor David Tan (Vice Dean (Academic Affairs), NUS Law) and Professor Simon Chesterman (Dean, NUS Law) among the audience



Dr Joseph Chun '91 (Partner (Environmental, Social and Governance), Shook Lin & Bok, Adjunct Associate Professor, NUS Law and Member, APCEL)