

## **ASLI-CALS Inaugural Asian Law Junior Faculty Workshop (AsLJFW)**

The Asian Law Institute (ASLI), in collaboration with the Centre for Asian Legal Studies (CALS) at NUS Law convened the inaugural Asian Law Junior Faculty Workshop on 13 June 2019 at the NUS Bukit Timah Campus. The workshop aimed to attract leading research from younger scholars on topics related to Asian jurisdictions, and to provide a platform for them to receive critical feedback on their research from established Asian law scholars.

From more than 300 paper submissions from scholars from over 40 countries, 34 finalists were chosen. From these finalists, eight junior scholars were eventually selected to present at the workshop. An international committee comprising leading Asian Scholars played a pivotal role in the selection of the eight speakers.

At the workshop, established Asian law scholars each reviewed and commented on their assigned junior scholar's paper followed by a constructive discussion among all the participants. This process provided a meaningful learning experience for the junior scholars and created valuable links among the next generation of leading Asian law scholars and current leaders in the field. The research areas presented were on one or more Asian legal systems or traditions, as well as work comparing a topic in one or more Asian legal systems or traditions with non-Asian systems or traditions. The Best Paper Prize was awarded to Mr Alan Koh '14 (Research Associate, CALS) for his paper on "Shareholder Protection in Close Corporations and the Curious Case of Japan".



L-R: Associate Professor Gary Bell (Director, Asian Law Institute (ASLI)), Associate Professor Dan Puchniak (Director, Centre for Asian Legal Studies (CALS)) and Associate Professor Chen Weitseng (Deputy Director, CALS) opening the workshop.



Presenter Dr Eugénie Mérieau (University of Göttingen) discussing her paper.



Presenter Assistant Professor Shamshad Pasarlay (Herat University, School of Law).



Commentator Associate Professor Jaclyn Neo '03 (Deputy Director, ASLI) giving her feedback on a paper.



R: Commentators Associate Professor Michael Dowdle (NUS Law) and Associate Professor Wang Jiangyu (NUS Law), and presenter Assistant Professor Qiao Shitong (University of Hong Kong, Faculty of Law).



(3rd from left) Recipient of the Asian Law Junior Faculty Workshop Best Paper Prize, Mr Alan Koh'14.



Presenters and commentators of the inaugural Asian Law Junior Faculty Workshop (13 June 2019).