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ABSTRACT

This launch seminar of the CALS International Law in Asia cluster explores continued challenges that the Global South faces in international law. While many believe that the international legal system has become more inclusive and equitable, others highlight the continued structural inequalities within international law and the marginalisation of Global South voices. Has international law generated positive change and justice for the Global South? To what extent has international law accommodated the perspectives and needs of the Global South? To what extent do institutions like the International Criminal Court and the International Law Commission address issues of interest to the Global South? These are some of the issues that our distinguished speakers will discuss, drawing on their academic expertise and extensive experience in high-level positions of international law institutions.

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Dr Nilufer Oral is Director of the Centre for International Law at National University of Singapore. She is a member of the United Nations International Law Commission and co-chair of the Study Group on sea-level rise in relation to international law. She served as a legal advisor to the Turkish Foreign Ministry for law of the sea and as a climate change negotiator. She is a Distinguished Fellow of the Law of the Sea Institute at Berkeley Law; has lectured at the UN Regional Law Courses for International Law, and at the Rhodes Academy for the Law of the Sea.



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Professor Pangalangan is a Professor of Law and former Law Dean at the University of the Philippines. He specialises in Public International Law and Constitutional Law. In 2015, he was elected Judge at the International Criminal Court (ICC) The Hague, Netherlands. He has served as President of the Trial Division and was Presiding Judge in the first ICC case on the war crime of attacking cultural and religious heritage. He has also sat *ad hoc* in Appeals Chambers on murder, rape, and sexual slavery as war crimes or as crimes against humanity. He is currently a Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague, as well as Vice-President and a Member of the Executive Council of the Asian Society of International Law.



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Dr Cheah W.L. is an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law of the National University of Singapore (NUS) since 2007. She holds academic qualifications from the National University of Singapore (LL.B., LL.M.), Harvard Law School (LL.M.), European University Institute, and OxfordUniversity (D.Phil). She is a qualified lawyer (called to the New York Bar) and holds a diploma in arbitration (Queen Mary University of London). She conducts research in the core disciplines of international and comparative criminal law, transitional justice, and human rights with a focus on the intersections of law, culture, and power.