

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR LECTURE

NEW ERA, NEW CONCEPTS: INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA'S COMPANY LAW (2023) AND ITS JUDICIAL INTERPRETATIONS

FRIDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2026 || 5.00PM TO 6.15PM || WEE CHONG JIN MOOT COURT, NUS LAW

**PROFESSOR ZHU CIYUN**
TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY**ABOUT**

China's Company Law underwent a landmark revision in 2023, representing the most comprehensive overhaul since the law's original enactment in 1993. This seminar examines the key innovations and developments introduced by the revised Company Law and its accompanying judicial interpretations, situating them within the broader context of China's evolving corporate governance landscape in the new era.

The seminar explores several major themes. First, it analyses the new concepts and guiding principles underpinning the revision, including the emphasis on modernising the corporate governance system, strengthening shareholder and creditor protection, and enhancing corporate social responsibility. Second, it examines the most significant substantive reforms, covering areas such as the registered capital subscription system and its new time limits, the enhanced duties and liabilities of directors and senior management, the expanded rights of minority shareholders, the simplified corporate structures for small enterprises, and the strengthened creditor protection mechanisms. Third, it discusses the role of the Supreme People's Court's judicial interpretations in clarifying, supplementing, and operationalising the revised provisions, and their practical implications for corporate governance and commercial practice.

The seminar aims to provide participants with a thorough understanding of the legislative intent, doctrinal innovations, and practical impact of the 2023 Company Law and its judicial interpretations, offering insights for scholars, legal practitioners, and business professionals engaged with China's corporate and commercial law.

Note: This seminar will be presented in a bilingual format

PROGRAMME

- 4.30PM** Registration
- 5.00PM** Lecture by Prof. Zhu Ciyun
- 6.00PM** Q&A session moderated by Assoc. Prof. Lin Lin
- 6.15PM** Dinner Reception

REGISTRATION

Register at nus.edu/4xTsEqW
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Closing Date: 1 Oct 2026

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DISTINGUISHED VISITOR LECTURE**SPEAKER****PROFESSOR ZHU CIYUN**
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Professor Zhu Ciyun is one of China's foremost authorities on company law. As Professor at the School of Law, Tsinghua University, she continues to teach the graduate course Theory and Practice of Company Law. She serves as Honorary Director of the Commercial Law Research Center at Tsinghua University and Director of the Academic Committee of the Commercial Law Research Association of the China Law Society, having served as its Executive Vice President. She is also President of the Securities Law Research Association of the Shenzhen Law Society.

Professor Zhu has played a central role in shaping China's company law framework. As a member of the expert group for the revision of China's Company Law, she directly participated in both the 2005 and 2023 landmark revisions. She has contributed extensively to discussions on judicial interpretations of the Company Law by the Supreme People's Court and served as a Specially Invited Consultant of the Supreme People's Court for five years. She has also participated in deliberations on administrative laws and regulations of various ministries and commissions.

Her research focuses on commercial law, with particularly deep expertise in company law, corporate governance, corporate capital systems, and piercing the corporate veil. She has published over one hundred papers in China's most prestigious law journals, including Social Sciences in China, China Legal Science, and Chinese Journal of Law, and authored several influential monographs including A Study on the Doctrine of Piercing the Corporate Veil and Theory and Practice of Piercing the Corporate Veil.

Her numerous awards include the China Law Society Outstanding Legal Achievement Award and the Guangdong Province Outstanding Achievement Award in Social Sciences.

MODERATOR**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LIN LIN**
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Lin Lin is an Associate Professor at NUS Law. She specialises in corporate and finance law, with a comparative focus on China and Singapore.

Her scholarship has been published in leading academic journals and includes some of the most frequently cited articles in her field. Her sole-authored monograph, Venture Capital Law in China (Cambridge University Press, 2021), was selected for the prestigious International Corporate Law and Financial Market Regulation series.

Professor Lin is a Research Member of the European Corporate Governance Institute (ECGI) and a Council Member of the China Banking Law Society. She serves as Subject Editor of the Asian Journal of Comparative Law and the Chinese Journal of Comparative Law. She has guest-edited two special issues of the European Business Organization Law Review (EBOR).

Her academic contributions have led to visiting appointments at Stanford and Oxford, and she has taught intensive courses at leading law schools in China, Australia, and New Zealand, as well as executive MBA courses at NUS Business School. She is also an arbitrator with a number of arbitration institutions in China.

Before entering academia, Professor Lin worked as a Legal Policy Officer at the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority of Singapore (ACRA) and practised corporate finance at a leading Singapore law firm.