The Centre for Asian Legal Studies (CALS) and the Asian Law Institute (ASLI) are delighted to have organised two one-day conferences on “The State of Comparative Law in Asia” and “Teaching Comparative Law in Asia” on 27 & 28 September 2017, Wednesday & Thursday. Associate Professor Gary F. Bell, Director of ASLI, was the convener of both conferences.

The CALS-funded conference, held on 27 September 2017, examined the following: (1) the state of comparative scholarship between Asian law and European/US law; (2) the state of intra-Asian
comparative law; and (3) the state of "intra-jurisdictional" comparisons within legally pluralistic Asian countries.

The ASLI-funded conference, held on 28 September 2017, focused on the teaching of comparative law in Asia. The speakers addressed the following questions:

(1) What types of comparative law courses are taught in the law schools of our different jurisdictions and how are these courses taught?
(2) How, ideally, should comparative law be taught in Asia.

The International Academy of Comparative Law supported the conferences by publicising them to its members.
The first conference was attended by 61 participants and 13 papers were presented on the state of comparative law in Asia. The second conference was attended by 47 participants and 12 papers were presented on teaching comparative law in Asia. In total, the participants represented 17 countries from within Asia and beyond.

Full details on the conferences are available at [https://law.nus.edu.sg/cals/events/CCLA2017/](https://law.nus.edu.sg/cals/events/CCLA2017/).