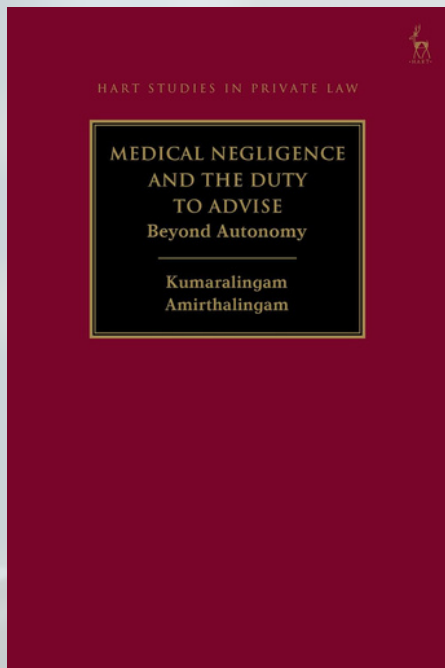


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- 6.50PM** Discussant 1 - Prof Christian Witting (NUS Law)
- 7.00PM** Discussant 2 - Assoc Prof Anantham Devanand (SGH)
- 7.10PM** Discussant 3 - Ms Rebecca Chew (Rajah & Tann Asia)
- 7.20PM** Response from Prof Kumar Amirthalingam (NUS Law)
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