

Mindy Chen-Wishart

1. **PERSONAL INFORMATION, POSTS, EDUCATION**

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Present Positions

1. Provost's Professor, National University of Singapore (2023-)
2. Visiting Professor, Oxford University (2023-)
3. Chair Professor, National Chengchi University (2024-27), annual 2-week visit
4. Advisory Consultant, National University of Taiwan (2023-2024)
5. Research Fellow, Institute of European and Comparative Law, Oxford (2014-)
6. Academic Fellow at National University of Singapore of:
 - o the EW Barker Centre for Business Law, and
 - o Centre for Banking and Financial Law
7. Honorary Professor of Law, Otago University, New Zealand (2017-)
8. Emeritus Professor, Oxford University (2023-)
9. Emeritus Fellow, Merton College (2023-)

Previous Academic Appointments:

1. *Oxford University:*

2020-23	Dean of the Faculty of Law, Oxford University
1994-2023	Professor in the Law of Contract, Oxford University
1994-2023	Law Fellow in Law Merton College Oxford
1992 – 1994	Rhodes Research Fellow (one post-doctoral scholarship awarded for applicants from Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia and Hong Kong in any subject)
2. *National University of Singapore*
 2006-2023 Professor of Law, (fractional)
3. *Hong Kong University*
 Cheng Yu Tung Visiting Professor, 2006- 2020
4. *University of Otago:*

1983 - 1884	History Tutor, Department of History
1985	Teaching Fellow in Law
1986 - 1987	Assistant Lecturer in Law
1988 to 1991	Lecturer in Law
1992 -1994	Senior Lecturer in Law (on leave to Oxford)
1999, 2002, 2005, 2011	Visiting Professor in Law
5. *Ohio University, Georgia University*
 2006 Adjunct Professor
6. *Canterbury University*
 2007 Erskine Fellow

7. *Auckland University*
2009 Visiting Professor
8. *Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Germany*
2010 Distinguished Visiting Professor
9. *National Taiwan University*
Inaugural Himalaya Chair Professor of Law, 2018
Tsai Wan Tsai Chair Professor of Law, 2017
National Science Council Visiting Professor 2012, 2015, 2016, 2019
10. *Renmin University*, Visiting Professor 2018
11. *Thammasat University*, Thailand, Distinguished Visiting Professor January 2020, November 2023

Invitations not taken up due to Covid:

1. *Seoul National University*
2. *Melbourne University*

Education

1. 1985- 1987 LLM (Distinction); published as a monograph
Title: *Unconscionable bargains: what are the courts doing?*
Link: <http://hdl.handle.net/10523/3335>
2. 1985- 1986 Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand
3. 1980- 1984 LLB (First Class)
4. 1979- 1982 BA (Hons) History (First Class)
Dissertation: *Between two worlds: a study of the letters, diaries and reminiscences of some Otago and Southland soldiers in the Great War*, 180 pages, (Distinction), Link: <http://hdl.handle.net/10523/2769>
 - and wrote It has been on the reading list of the 'New Zealand History' paper at Otago University since 1984.
 - It forms the basis for the lectures in the History option 'The Legacy of the ANZACs (Australia and New Zealand Army Corp)' since 2005
 - I gave lectures and wrote newspaper features on this subject in 1984-1988.

Prizes or Awards:

1. 2024 Lifetime Achievement Award at 17th International Conference on Contracts. KCON is the largest annual international academic conference dedicated to contract and commercial law
2. 2023 Honourary LLD (Otago University)
3. 2022 Oxford University Professorial Merit Award
4. 2018 Oxford University Professorial Merit Award
5. 2013 Best paper published in the International and Comparative Law Quarterly
6. 1991 Rhodes Visiting Research Fellowship, St. Hilda's College, Oxford University
7. 1986 New Zealand Legal Research Foundation Prize for Best Unpublished Paper
8. 1985 Joshua Williams Memorial Essay Prize (best postgraduate research paper)
9. 1984 Senior Scholarship in Law (best result in final year)
10. 1984 Otago District Law Society Prize (best result in degree)

11. 1983 Sir Thomas More Prize (best result in Equity)
12. 1981 University of Otago Award in Arts (excellence in History degree)
13. 1980 Sweet & Maxwell (N.Z.) Ltd Prize (best result in Legal System)

2. SCHOLARLY ACHIEVEMENTS

Overview

While I have researched in the law of restitution and taught restitution for unjust enrichment, tort law, consumer law, administrative law and constitutional law, my main research areas now focus on all aspects of Contract Law: doctrinal, theoretical and comparative.

The doctrinal Contract Law of England and Wales:

- I am responsible for three chapters of *Chitty on Contracts* (the classic treatise cited by the counsel and courts), now in its 35th edition.
- I was on the Advisory Committee for *A Restatement of English Contract Law in England and Wales*, comprising 20 judges, practitioners, and academics. It is now in its 2nd edition. I have written the Forward for the translation into Chinese.
- I have lectured to the Judicial College of England and Wales.
- My textbook on contract law, published by the Oxford University Press, now in its 7th edition, used by most Russell Group Law Schools.
- My articles were cited by Arden LJ (now elevated to the Supreme Court) in the UK Court of Appeal (*MWB Business Exchange Centres Ltd v Rock Advertising Ltd* [2016] EWCA Civ 553) in support of a radical reinterpretation that effectively reverses an 1884 House of Lords decision. This is of enormous importance commercially and since the Supreme Court has called for the 1884 decision to be re-examined, the issue cannot be discussed by lawyers, judges, scholars and students without reference to my scholarship.
- In *Anton Trawling Co Ltd v Smith* [2003] 2 NZLR 23, the New Zealand Court of Appeal relied on my article (The Enforceability of Additional Contractual Promises: A Question of Consideration? (1991) 14 NZULR 270) for its refusal to follow the UK Court of Appeal.
- The Court of Appeal of British Columbia, adopted the same approach in *Rosas v. Toca* 2018 BCCA 191, relying on my work on 17 occasions in reaching that conclusion.
- My work on unconscionable bargains was cited with approval 9 times in the Supreme Court of Canada in *Uber Technologies Inc. v. Heller* 2020 SCC 16 <https://decisions.scc-csc.ca/scc-csc/scc-csc/en/item/18406/index.do>
- Three of my articles were referenced by the Singapore Court of Appeal in *Ma Hong Jin v SCP Holdings Pte Ltd* [2020] SGCA 106, and my concern responded to.
- My recent 'acadmia.edu uploads have had 75,000+ views with 2,480+ followers and is usually in the top 0.5-2%.

Contract Theory

- I am editing a *Handbook on Contract Theory* with Professor Prince Saprai of UCL, to be published by Edward Elgar, 2024
The 37 chapters of this volume will provide:
 - an overview of the leading general theories of contract law (Level I), and
 - how they have shaped both contract law's fundamental principles (Level II), and
 - its various rules and doctrines (Level III).

We aim to present the existing ‘state of the art’ in the field, i.e., the key or ongoing current debates about the topic in question and how those debates might be taken forward.

- I have published articles on contract theory (see publications).
- I am writing the *Very Short Introduction to Contract Law* in the Oxford University Press’ very successful series, and
- have a contract to write a book on *Contract Theory and Practice* for the Clarendon Series.

Comparative Contract Law

- I have published articles on:
 - comparative English and European contract law,
 - comparative English and Chinese law, and
 - comparative Asian contract law (see publications).
- My article, “Legal transplant of undue influence: Lost in translation or a working misunderstanding?” (2013) 62 *International Comparative Law Quarterly*, 1-30, is a case study of how the undue influence doctrine was applied in Singapore to calibrate it to Singaporean values. It is the first case study in an area populated by abstract discussions and grand theories. It was awarded the prize for the best article of 2013 by the *International and Comparative Law Quarterly*. The article is used by courses on Law and Society.
- I have developed an extensive program of collaboration with 100+ contributors, commentators, judges and practitioners from 14 countries in Asia (China, Japan, Korea, India, Hong Kong, Singapore, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Cambodia, Myanmar, Taiwan, Thailand and the Philippines) to produce a six-book series published by Oxford University Press called *Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia*. The project establishes a new avenue of cooperation for Asian contract law specialists, and a new way to communicate with the rest of the world.
- I am the Consultant for the Indian Contract Law project which held its conference in New Delhi in 2021, and is publishing a *Handbook on Indian Contract Law* with OUP.
- I am one of the founders of OPAL, the Oxford Programme on Asian Laws <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/content/oxford-programme-asian-laws>

From its founding in November 2021, to May 2022, OPAL had organized:

- 26 Events: workshops, book discussions, seminars, and interviews,
 - Involving 90 speakers,
 - on topics in: legal history, comparative law, constitutional law, contract law, business law and intellectual property law,
 - on the Laws of 20 Asian Jurisdictions: from East, Southeast, South and Central Asia.
- These activities have led to other collaborations, including the Supreme Court of Pakistan seeking links to further issues on comparative Asian laws. We have proposed to OUP a series on *Studies in Asian Laws*, with me and Ngoc Son Bui as co-editors. We are also fundraising to make further appointments in Asian Laws.

Publications

Books

1. Contributing Editor, *Chitty on Contracts, Vol 1*, General editor H Beale,

35th edition, 2023:

- Chapter 4, 'The Agreement' (102,794 words)
- Chapter 10, 'Duress, Undue Influence and Unconscionable Dealing' (61,720 words)
- Chapter 27 'Action for the Agreed Sum, Specific Performance and Injunction' (45,728 words)

34th edition, 2021:

- Chapter 4, 'The Agreement' (100,864 words)
- Chapter 10, 'Duress, Undue Influence and Unconscionable Dealing' (58,076 words)
- Chapter 27 'Action for the Agreed Sum, Specific Performance and Injunction' (45,006 words)
- 2022 supplements to chapters 4, 10, and 27

33rd edition, 2018:

- Chapter 2, 'The Agreement' (97,685 words)
- Chapters 27 'Action for the Agreed Sum, Specific Performance and Injunction' (47,135 words)
- 2019 supplement to chapters 2, 8, and 27

32nd edition, 2015:

- Chapters 2 'The Agreement' (92,836 words)
- Chapters 27 'Specific Performance and Injunction' (42,151 words)
- 2016 supplements to chapters 2, 27
- 2017 supplements to chapters 2, 27

2. ***Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia***, Oxford University Press,
Vol 4: Invalidity (ed with Hiroo Sono and Stefan Vogenauer), 2022, 680 pages
Vol 3: Contents and Unfair Terms, (ed with Stefan Vogenauer), 2020, 623 pages
Vol 2: Formation and Parties, (ed with Alexander Loke and Stefan Vogenauer),
 2018, 587 pages
Vol 1: Remedies for Breach of Contract, (ed with Alexander Loke and Burton Ong),
 2016 January, 486 pages
3. ***Contract Law, Oxford University Press***,
 7th edition, 659 pages, 2022 [being translated into simplified Chinese and Vietnamese]
 6th edition, 623 pages, 2018
 5th edition, 615 pages, 2015
 4th edition, 632 pages, 2012
 3rd edition, 654 pages, 2010
 2nd edition, 700 pages, 2007
 1st edition, 680 pages, 2005. The book is novel in law publishing in its systematic use of diagrams and tables, 80 in all. This edition was reprinted twice.
4. ***Contract and Reciprocity: The Hochelaga Annual Lectures of the Hong Kong University Law Faculty***, 2010.

5. Contributing editor on the Law of England and Wales, in *Ius Communis Case Books on the Common Law of Europe: Unjust Enrichment*, Beatson and Schrage (general editors), Hart, 2003.
6. *Unconscionable Bargains*, Butterworths, 1989, 184 pages.
(Cited in several cases by the apex NZ Court)

Articles

1. "Why Consideration?" in *Handbook in Contract Theory*, Chen-Wishart and Prince Saprai, Edward Elgar, 2023 (forthcoming)
2. "Good Faith" with Victoria Dixon in *Handbook in Contract Theory*, Chen-Wishart and Prince Saprai, Edward Elgar, 2023 (forthcoming)
3. "Monism and Pluralism in restitution for unjust Enrichment" with Emma Hughes, in *Rethinking Unjust Enrichment: History, Sociology, Doctrine & Theory*, eds Sagi Peari and Warren Swain, 2023, OUP, chapter 13
4. "Schrödinger's Lawful Act Duress: Dead or Alive" with Jodi Gardner, in *Festschrift for Ewan McKendrick*, eds Rebecca Probert and Edwin Peel, 2023, OUP, chapter 5
5. "Introduction: The Vision", with Hiroo Sono and Stefan Vogenauer, in *Vol IV Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: Invalidity*, eds with Hiroo Sono and Stefan Vogenauer, Oxford University Press, 2022, 1-21
6. Review of *Contract Law in Japan* by Hiroo Sono, Luke Nottage, Andrew Pardiek, Kenji Saigusa", with Wu Ying-Chieh, (2021) 70ICLQ 529
7. "Humble Good Faith: 3 by 4", with Victoria Dixon, in *Oxford Studies in Private Law Theory*, eds Paul Miller and John Oberdiek, OUP, 2020, 187-232
8. "Affirmative Duties in Vitiating Consent Transactions", with Anna Williams, in *Misleading Silence*, eds Bant and Patterson, Hart, 2020, 153-178
9. "Impaired Intention Unjust Factors?", with Rory Gregson, in *Research Handbook on Unjust Enrichment and Restitution*, eds Bant, Degeling and Barker, Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd, 2020, 314-344
10. "Introduction: The Vision", with Stefan Vogenauer, in *Vol III Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: Contents of Contracts*, ed with Stefan Vogenauer, Oxford University Press, 2020, 1-23

11. "The Legacy of *Williams v Roffey*: Death knell for consideration or infusion of new blood? in *Construction Law, Costs and Contemporary Developments: Drawing the Threads Together: A Festschrift for Lord Justice Jackson*, ed Julian Bailey, (Hart, 2018), 143-163
12. "Introduction", with Alexander Loke and Stefan Vogenauer, in *Vol II Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: Formation of Contract and Parties*, eds with and Stefan Vogenauer, Oxford University Press, 2018, 1-23
13. "Contractual Remedies: Beyond Enforcing Contractual Duties" (2017) 85 *George Washington Law Review* 1617-1624
14. "Invalidity of Contract in English and Chinese Law" in Chen Lei and Larry Di Matteo (eds), *Perspectives on Chinese Contract Law* (Cambridge University Press 2017) 239-278
15. "Reform of Consideration: No Greener Grass" in S Degeling, J Edelman and J Goudkamp (eds), *Contract in Commercial Law* (Sydney, Thomson, 2016) 77-103
16. "Specific Performance and Change of Mind" in *Commercial Remedies: Unravelling Controversies*, eds Graham Virgo and Sarah Worthington (Cambridge University Press, 2017) 98-126
17. "Introduction: The Vision", with Alexander Loke and Burton Ong, in *Vol 1 Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: Remedies for Breach of Contract*, eds with Alexander Loke and Burton Ong, Oxford University Press, 2015, 1-20
18. "Comparative Asian Contract Law on the Remedies for Breach of Contract: Transplant, Convergence and Divergence" in *Vol 1 Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: Remedies for Breach of Contract*, (eds Mindy Chen-Wishart, Alexander Loke and Burton Ong) Oxford University Press, 2015, 400-430
19. "Controlling Unfair Terms: Protecting the Institution of Contract", in *English and European Perspectives on Contract and Commercial Law*, eds L Gullifer and S Vogenaur, Hart 2015, 105-130
20. "Not so fast please! Abolition of consideration for contract modifications" 2014 *New Zealand Law Journal*, 67-70
21. "The Nature of Vitiating Factors" in *Philosophical Foundations of Contract Law*, eds P Saprai, G Letsas, G Glass, (OUP 2014) 294-318
22. "In Defence of Consideration" (2013) *Oxford Commonwealth Law Journal*, 209-238
23. "Legal transplant of undue influence: Lost in translation or a working misunderstanding?" (2013) 62 *International Comparative Law Quarterly*, 1-30

24. "Termination, Price Reduction and Damages" with U Magnus, in *The Common European Sales Law in Context: Interaction with English and German Law*, eds G Dannemann and S Vogenaur, (OUP 2013) 647-686
25. "The Purposes and Methods of English Contract Law" translated into Chinese, (2011) 12 *Peking University Law Review*, 681-693
26. "Transparency and Fairness in Bank Charges" (2010) 126 *Law Quarterly Review*, 157-162
27. "A Bird in the Hand: Consideration and One-Sided Contract Modifications" in *Contract Formation and Parties*, AS Burrows and E Peel (eds) (OUP, 2010)
28. "Consideration and Serious Intention" 2009 *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies*, 434-456
29. "Bank Charges: A Lesson in Interpreting EC Law" [2009] *Law Quarterly Review*, 389-393
30. "The Purposes and Methods of English Contract Law" translated into Chinese, (2011) 12 *Peking University Law Review*, 681-693
31. "Unfairness of Bank Charges" [2008] 124 *Law Quarterly Review* 561-568
32. "Objectivity and Mistake: the Oxymoron of *Smith v Hughes*" in *Exploring Contract Law*, eds J Neyers, R Bronough, SGA Pitel (Hart, 2009), 341
33. "Undue Influence: Vindicating Relationships of Influence" (2006) 59 *Current Legal Problems*, 231-266
34. "Undue Influence: *Beyond* Impaired Consent and Wrong-Doing, Towards a Relational Analysis" in *Essays in Honour of Peter Birks* eds Burrows and Rodger, Oxford University Press, 2006, chapter 11 pages 201-222
35. "In Defence of Unjust Factors: A Comparative Study of Duress, Fraud and Exploitation", in Johnston and Zimmermann, *Unjustified Enrichment: Key Issues in Comparative Perspective*, Cambridge 2002, 159-193
36. "Unjust Factors and the Restitutionary response", (2000) 20 *Oxford Journal of Legal Studies*, 557-577
37. "In Defence of Unjust Factors: A Comparative Study of Duress, Fraud and Exploitation" (2000) *Oxford U Comparative L Forum* 2 at ouclf.iuscomp.org
38. "Restitutionary Damages for Breach of Contract", (1998) 114 *Law Quarterly Review*, 363-370

39. "The *O'Brien* Principle and Substantive Unfairness", (1997) 56 *Cambridge Law Journal* 60-70
40. "Controlling the Power to Agree Damages", in Birks (ed), *Wrongs and Remedies in the Twenty-First Century*, OUP 1996, 271-299
41. *"Consideration, Practical Benefit and the Emperor's New Clothes", in Beatson and Friedmann (eds), *Good Faith and Fault in Contract Law*, OUP 1995, 123-150
42. "Undue Influence, Manifest Disadvantage and Loss Apportionment" (1994) 110 *Law Quarterly Review* 173-178
43. "Creditors Beware II" (1993-4) 2 *Property Review*, 499-504
44. "Taking Securities, Taking Advantage" [1993] *New Zealand Law Journal* 224-229
45. "Creditors Beware" (1993) 2 *Property Review* 140-143
46. "The Enforceability of Additional Contractual Promises: A Question of Consideration?" (1991) 14 *New Zealand Universities Law Review* 270-282;
47. "Unconscionable Bargains" [1987] *New Zealand Law Journal* 107-109
48. "The Contractual Mistakes Act 1977 and Contract Formation" (1986) *Otago Law Review* 334-354

Current research

Books

49. I am the General Editor, along with Ngoc Son BUI of Oxford University, of a new series of monographs published by Oxford University Press: OXFORD STUDIES IN ASIAN LAWS. Our first two titles commissioned are:
 - *Buddhist Law*
 - *Constitutional Legacies: How Past Constitutions Matter in Myanmar*
50. "Introduction" *Handbook in Contract Theory*, with Prince Saprai, Edward Elgar, 2023
51. *Handbook in Contract Theory*, with Prince Saprai, Edward Elgar, 2023
52. *Studies in Asian Contract Law V: Ending and Changing Contracts*
53. *Studies in Asian Contract Law VI: Public Policy*
54. *A Very Short Introduction to Contract Law* (OUP)

55. *Text, Cases and Materials on the Contract Laws of Asia*, with Chen Tsung fu, Dora Neo, Shivprasad Swaminathan, and Wu Ying-Chieh
56. Annual updates for three chapters of *Chitty on Contract*
57. Annual updates for my textbook

Articles

58. "Asian Contract Laws: Transplant, Diffusion and Mutation"
59. "Contractual Rights: First Class, Second Class, Third Class"
60. "Understanding the Nature of Contractual Remedies: Enforcement or New Liability"
61. A meditation on "Racism, Socialized Bias, and Discomfort"

Lectures

Major invited addresses

1. 2023 Keynote speaker, **150th Anniversary** of the **Otago** University Law Faculty, the oldest Law School in New Zealand
2. 2023 "Is there a bamboo ceiling?" to the **New Zealand Asian Lawyers Association**
3. 2023, Keynote speaker at Committee of **Heads of University Law Schools (CHULS)** residential
4. 2023, Race Equality Lecture (public lecture), **Oxford University**
5. 2023, **University of Liverpool** for International Women's Day
6. "Asian Contract Laws: Transplant, Diffusion and Mutation" at the *Inter-Asian Law Workshop* at **National Tsing Hua University**, Taiwan
7. 2022 Keynote speaker, the **Society of Law Teachers (SLT)** Annual conference, **King's College London**, UK "Asian Contract Laws: Transplant, Diffusion and Mutation"
8. 2022, Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Lecture, **Bristol University**
9. 2022 Opening Keynote speaker, 10th Annual Conference of Europe's Sciences and Arts Leaders and Scholar, by the **European Academy of Sciences and Arts** (a learned society of around 1500 prominent scientists, including 29 Nobel

laureates) and Alma Mater Europea University. From organisers: “Thanks to you, the first day of the conference attracted more than 2500 listeners from 27 countries on five continents.”

10. 2022, Opening Keynote Panel - Decolonizing Environmental Law, 8th **Australasian Frontiers of Environmental Law Colloquium**
11. 2021, Racism in academia in ‘Decolonizing law’ series of public lectures, **University College London**
12. 2021, lecture to international alumni, Oxford **Meeting Minds Global**
13. 2020, **32nd Singapore Law Review Annual Lecture**
14. 2018, April “Time to Look Eastward: Study of Asian Law”, **launch of the Network for International Law Students Law Review**, London
15. 2017 February, “Contract Law: Looking Towards Asia” Plenary Lecture at the **12th Annual International Conference on Contract**, in Los Angeles
16. 2016, 22 September, “Looking Towards Asia” KEYNOTE address for conference “The Future of the Commercial Contract in Scholarship and Law Reform – European and Comparative Perspectives”, **Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS), London**
17. 2014 May, **British Institute of International and Comparative Law, Annual Lecture** ‘Legal Transplant: Lost in Translation or a Working Misunderstanding’
18. 2009 **Hochelaga Annual Law Lectures of Hong Kong University**
19. 2006 **Current Legal Problems** public lecture, **University College London**: “Undue Influence: Vindicating Relationships of Influence”.

Other Invited lectures, conference papers, workshops

20. “Asian Contract Laws: Transplant, Diffusion and Mutations”, **Ho Chih Minh University, Hue University, National University of Vietnam**
21. “Good Faith in the Common Law”, **Otago University**, 2023
22. “Diversity Measures”, **Otago University**, Staff Seminar, 2023
23. Talk to **Otago Asian Law Students Association**, 2023

24. 2023, joined small roundtable by invitation from the [Oxford Character Project](#) for a day long *Character, culture, and leadership in law* Symposium, **Oxford University**
25. 2023, conference on “Model Sales Law for the Greater Bay Area”, **Bocconi University, Milan**
26. 2023, public lecture at **Doshisha Law School, Kyoto, Japan**
27. 2023, public lecture **National Chengchi University, Taiwan**
28. 2022, **NUS, CALS 10th Anniversary**, “Asian Contract Law: Transplant, Diffusion and Mutation”
29. 2022, **Cambridge Law Faculty**, Private Law Centre, “Who needs good faith?”
30. 2020 January, ‘Control of Unfair Terms: No Cause for Embarrassment’, Distinguished Visitor Lecture, **Thammasat University, Thailand**
31. 2019, June ‘Good Faith and Relational Contracts’, *International Private Law Consortium*, **Bar-Ilan University, Israel**
32. 2018, December, ‘Autonomy, Change of Mind and the Remedies for Breach of Contract’, public lecture, **National Taiwan University**
33. 2018, June “Consideration in New Zealand and England-Wales”, Guest lecture, **Otago University**
34. 2018, April, ‘Comparative Asian Contract Law’, **Northwest University of Politics and Law, Xi’an, China**
35. 2017, December, ‘Harmonisation and Asian Contract Law’, staff seminar, **National Taiwan University**
36. 2017, July, ‘Lessons from Asian Contract Law’, public lecture, **University Gadjadara, Indonesia**
37. 2017, 25 March, ‘Looking Towards Asia’, **Oxford Alumni** in Singapore event
38. 2016, 26 September, “Autonomy and Change of Mind” public lecture, Peter A Allard School of Law, **University of British Columbia**
39. 2016 23 September “The Gender Gap in Examinations and Beyond: Why?” Women’s Studies Research Centre, and Centre for Comparative and Public Law, **Hong Kong University**

40. 2016, 22 September, "Looking Towards Asia" KEYNOTE address for conference "The Future of the Commercial Contract in Scholarship and Law Reform – European and Comparative Perspectives ", **Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS), London**
41. 2016 September "Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: Contents of Contracts and Unfair Terms", **National Taiwan University**
42. 2016 September, "Policy Considerations in English Contract Law", **Chinese University, Hong Kong**
43. 2016 August "Law, Gender, Culture and Language", **National University of Singapore**
44. 2016 April "Invalidity of Contract in Chinese and English Law" at conference on *Perspectives on Chinese Contract Law* at **City University, Hong Kong**
45. 2015 December, 'Reform of Consideration: No Greener Grass' at conference on *Contracts in Commercial Law* at **UNSW, Sydney**
46. 2015 September "The Values of Contract Law", **Chinese University, Hong Kong**
47. 2015 September, 'Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia: the project and reflections on remedies for breach', **Chinese University, Hong Kong**
48. 2014 November, 'Protecting the Institution of Contract', Obligations Discussion Group, **Oxford University**
49. 2014 September, 'Controlling Unfair Standard Terms: Protecting the Rules of the Game', Staff Seminar, **Hong Kong University**
50. 2014 July, 'Convergence and Divergence in the Common Law', **Obligations VII Conference**, in Hong Kong
51. 2014 July, **Otago University**, New Zealand, staff seminar: 'Defending the control of unfair terms'
52. 2014 July, **Otago University**, New Zealand, public lecture: 'Legal Transplant: Lost in Translation or a Working Misunderstanding'
53. 2013 October, **City University, Hong Kong**, public lecture "The Nature of Vitiating Factors in Contract"
54. 2013 September, **Aoyama Gakuin, Tokyo**, staff seminar "The Universal Values of Contract Law"

55. 2013 September **National University of Singapore** “Undue Influence in Guarantees and Security Interests”, Banking Seminar
56. 2013 July **National University of Singapore**, Staff seminar on “Worthwhile Research”
57. 2013 July Singapore, **Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia Colloquium: Remedies for Breach of Contract**, as Editor, Singapore
58. 2013 June **Oxford Law Alumni Talk** in Singapore ‘Transplanting Law into a Confucian society’
59. 2013 May **University College London**, ‘The Nature of Vitiating Factors’ at the Philosophical Foundations of Contract Law Conference
60. 2013 March **Hong Kong University** Staff Seminar “Critical Reflections on Legal Scholarship”
61. 2012 December **National Chengchi University of Politics** ‘Transplanting Law into a Confucian society’
62. 2012 April **Taiwan National University** “The Universal Structure of Contract Law”
63. 2012 **Workshop of the Principles of Asian Contract Law, as Editor, in Tokyo** (Non-Performance of Contract)
64. 2011 **Workshop of the Principles of Asian Contract Law in Seoul** (Non-Performance of Contract)
65. 2011 **Workshop of the Principles of Asian Contract Law in Beijing** (Performance of Contract)
66. 2010 **Workshop of the Principles of Asian Contract Law in Tokyo** (Validity of Contract)
67. 2011 **Tsinghua University, China** “Understanding Contract Law: Liberty, Equality and Community”
68. 2011 **Renmin University, China** “Understanding Contract Law: Liberty, Equality and Community”
69. 2011 **London School of Economics**, Comment on Law Commission’s proposed Consultation Paper on how to improve the consumer’s right of redress when they are victims of prohibited practices under the Unfair Commercial Practices legislation.

70. 2011 “Cultural Heritage and the Sustainability of Legal Transplant”, the **8th Asian Law Institute Conference**, Kyushu, Japan
71. 2010 **Singapore Academy of Law** seminar on “Recent Developments in Contract Law: Formation, Contents and Damages”
72. 2010 **Staff seminar at NUS**: “Undue Influence in Singapore: Lost in Translation or a Working Misunderstanding?”
73. 2010 **Lipstein Memorial Colloquim, Clare College, Cambridge**: (i) contractual mistake and (ii) carers and undue influence
74. 2010 Seminar for the **Oxford Institute of European and Comparative Law**: “Legal Transplant: a Case Study”
75. 2009 **Hochelaga Annual Law Lectures of Hong Kong University**
Lecture 1: ‘Consideration and Reciprocity’
76. Lecture 2: ‘A Bird in the Hand: Consideration and Contract Modification’
77. Seminar: “Undue Influence in Singapore: Lost in Translation or a Working Misunderstanding?”
78. 2009 **Oxford- Norton-Rose Symposium on Contract Formation**: “A bird in the Hand: Consideration and Contract Modification”
79. 2009 **NUS-Sydney University Symposium**, Sydney, Australia: ‘Consideration and Intention to Create Legal Relations’
80. 2009 Lecture and staff seminar at **Otago University**, Dunedin, New Zealand: ‘In Defence of Consideration’
81. 2008 Public lecture at the **Peking University School of Law**: ‘The Purposes and Methods of English Contract Law’
82. 2008 **Contract Law symposium, University of Western Ontario**. “Contractual Mistake: the Oxymoron of *Smith v Hughes*”
83. 2006 Lecture to the **Judicial Studies Board, Hong Kong**
84. 2006 **Public lecture at Otago University**
85. 2006 **Obligations III Conference, University of Queensland**, Brisbane
86. 2006 lecture at the **Centre for Commercial Law Studies**, National University of Singapore

87. 2006 **University of Texas-University of Oxford Law Faculty Symposium**
88. 2001 **Oxford Law Faculty Contract and Commercial Law Discussion Group** “Account of Profits for Breach of Contract”
89. 1999 Symposium on the **Comparative Law of Unjust Enrichment, Cambridge**, ‘Comparative English and German law: unjust factors versus absence of cause’
90. 1997 **Oxford Law Faculty Private Law Discussion Group** “The Case Against a Restitutory Response to Breach of Contract”
91. 1996 **Annual Conference of the Society of Law Teachers** “Economic Duress”
92. 1995 **Oxford Law Faculty Private Law Discussion Group** “Rescission”
93. 1995 **SPTL Seminar on Exceptional Measure of Damages**, Oxford, “Rethinking the Basis of the Penalty Rule”
94. 1993 **Symposium on Contract Law**, Oxford, “Consideration, Practical Benefit and the Emperor’s New Clothes”

Podcasts/Youtube:

95. “Legal Transplant” for the Super-Diversity Institute, New Zealand, 2023:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-3ZZMarYwL4>
96. International Women’s Day, 2021:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NxNAXlg_Tng
97. Women in Law: Asian Perspectives, Thammasat University, 2022:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=38FA7XCAfnA>
98. Oxford Law Black Alumni network “Changemakers” series, 2023:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ekLU7c94FE8>
99. Rhodes House, “Roads Less Travelled”, 2023:
<https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/unlikeminded/archive/mindy-chen-wishart/>
100. Oxford University Undergraduates Law Journal podcasts: The Contract Laws of Asia, 2022: <https://rss.com/podcasts/oulp/210041/>

3. **TEACHING Oxford**

University lectures and classes

Undergraduate Contract Law:

- ‘Judicial Remedies for Breach of Contract’,
- ‘Duress, Undue Influence, Unconscionable Bargains, Non-Commercial Guarantees’

Graduate courses on the BCL

- Philosophical Foundations of the Common Law
- Private Law and Fundamental Rights
- *Previously*: I taught the Law of Unjust Enrichment for eight years

Tutorials: I have taught for many Colleges

- Tort
- Contract
- Constitutional

Research Supervision

- I have supervised dissertations at BCL, Masters and DPhil level.

Teaching Development

- (i) Professional Supervisor on the Diploma of Teaching and Learning run by the Oxford Institute for the Advancement of University Learning from its inception
- (ii) Co-planning and running of the ‘Tutorial Teaching of Law’ sessions (jointly organized with the Institute for Teaching and Learning) for new law teachers
- (iii) Presentation on ‘Creative Teaching’ at:
 - the Law Faculty’s Strategy Away Day
 - the Law Faculty Teaching and Learning Discussion Group
 - at Merton College
- (iv) Interviewed on by the Institute of Teaching and Learning
 - ‘Teaching Methods’
 - the ‘Relationship between Research and Teaching’
- (v) At request by Oxford University, allowed my tutorial to be observed by a senior team from the National University of Singapore (including the now President of the University) and discussions afterwards, with a view to NUS setting up a Collegiate system.

I initiated the **External Education Programme from 2021**: “Oxford Introduction to Law in the UK: Thinking Deeply About Law”: <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/oxford-introdn-to-law-in-the-uk-summer-programme/oxford-introduction-law-uk-summer-programme>

I have taught on the course since its inception.

4. **LEADERSHIP**

Overview

I set out my leadership experience:

- A. in the law faculty as (a) Dean, (b) Associate Dean of Taught Graduates, (c) Director of Undergraduate Studies, and (d) as a member of the faculty,

- B. at Merton College as the senior Law Fellow,
- C. at the University level,
- D. in the six book project Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia, and
- E. on the international stage

A. Law Faculty

(a) Dean 2020-

Teaching & student welfare

1. Welcomes for all cohorts, and at faculty talks, conferences, moots, and events
2. Talks to students eg
 - PGR: the research supervision relationship,
 - PGT: preparation for exams
 - finalists: preparation for finals
3. Student communications and support: I Introduced
 - termly Dean's Coffee Hour for UG, PGT, PGR
 - walks with the Dean over lockdown
 - 5 x 'Dear you' emails to students yearly;
 - responding to many emails from individual students;
 - meeting Oxford Pro Bono Group (OPBG) team and approving their projects and reports
 - meeting Oxford University Commonwealth Law Journal (OUCLJ) editorial team, overseeing negotiation of new contract with publishers
4. Introduced fund raising for Law Trove online resources for students and academics
5. Covid adjustment
 - Ongoing review of conditions for use of Faculty premises in light of changing government rulings, and implementation
 - Continuing efforts to ensure satisfactory equipment & personnel to support hybrid teaching
6. Discussions with colleagues
 - about teaching needs in particular subjects, and how to meet deficits
 - proposals for new degrees (MSc in Intellectual Property, MSc in International Human Rights)
 - female faculty with young children
7. Negotiations with Continuing Education, the University, and the Bonavero Institute of Human Rights over the transfer of MSc in IHR, and the Human Rights SummerSchool
8. See Equality, Diversity & Inclusion (below)

Research

1. Finalizing Oxford's Research Excellence Framework (REF) submission.
2. REF working group to learn from the 2020 experience, and plan for the next REF.
3. Discussions with colleagues about new research programmes, eg
 - Oxford LawTech Education Programme (OLTEP)
 - Oxford Programme in Asian Laws (OPAL)
4. Initiating review of Research Support led by the Associate Dean of Research to see how we can improve the support to academics applying for research funding and the research operation of the Faculty
5. Nominating six colleagues for the Peter Birks Prize for Outstanding Legal

Scholarship in UK. Three wereshortlisted. One won the prize, and one was joint runner up.

6. Proposing a colleague for the Tang Prize

Administration

1. Chairing
 - Law Board,
 - Planning, Resources Committee (PRC)
 - Faculty meetings
 - Communications and Websites Committee
2. Membership of committees
 - Personnel
 - Athena Swan
 - Research
 - Law Foundation
3. Representing Law Faculty
 - Social Sciences Division (SSD) PRC meetings
 - Social Sciences Division Board meetings
 - *Additional* SSD meetings on the White Paper in Finance
 - Head of Department meetings (monthly)
 - VC's Open Forum
4. Induction for new Faculty members
5. Termly 1:1 meeting with 7 Associate Deans, and 5 Centre Heads
6. Introducing Centre representation on PRC
7. Overseeing design of new website by external contractor
8. Dealing with ongoing problems with university services
 - tech support services
 - communications services
9. Discussions and supporting letters
 - Recognition of Distinction: promotion to full professor: 20 successful. Encourage appropriate people to apply
 - Application (5) for Title of Professor of Law by those in other parts of Oxford
 - Administrative staff recognition awards
 - Encouraging colleagues to apply and then writing in support of four academics for the Divisional Teaching Excellence Prize. All were successful.
 - Making 27 Professorial Merit Pay nominations. 26 were successful.
10. Discussions about academic workload, career progression within Faculty: I introduced a scheme to relieve five overworked colleagues from of one term's tutorial teaching annually, and simultaneously giving our research students some tutorial teaching experience
11. After 10 focus groups, I wrote the Faculty submission on the future of the St Cross Building (home of Law Faculty) on the future use of the space when the English Faculty vacates
12. Working closely with the Communications Officer on website, social media and alumni outputs

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Community Building:

1. Introduced weekly newsletter messages to the Faculty (30 annually)

2. *E-Bulletins* to alumni (3 annually)
3. *Law News* to donors (annually)
4. Faculty meetings- agenda that updates, informs, and introduces parts of the Faculty activity to colleagues
5. Introduced Faculty Day to discuss big policy issues in the Faculty, eg 'The future of teaching: the new normal'
6. Introduced Farewell Faculty meeting to honour those demitting
7. Introduced two Community Building Co-ordinators: *Faculty lunches, drinks*
8. Introduced Faculty Cruise on Cherwell
9. Introduced Walks with colleagues to discuss various issues
10. Introduced 10 benches and picnic tables outside Faculty
11. Introduced 8 x Garden Parties at my home in July/August for Faculty members
12. Attending and welcoming guests to: Annual lectures (eg European and Comparative Law, Criminology, Law & Finance, Human Rights, Oxford Business Law Blog conference, International Intellectual Property Law Moot Final)

Finances

1. 20-23 were unusual academic years with a fluctuating picture on:
 - the income (how many students we expected v. how many arrived v. how many stayed and not dropped out), and
 - the expenditure (what was planned, the many additional items of expenditure resulting from over-recruitment and from moving teaching online, and the planned events that could not happen due to Covid).
 This has meant a lot of recalculations and oversight over income and expenditure.
2. University's Finance White Paper (a major change in financial arrangements in the university with potentially significant impact on Law): ongoing discussions and negotiations
3. Reviewing the diverse financial arrangements of our five Centres, a highly contentious matter
4. Negotiating financial arrangements with the Department of Continuing Ed and the Bonavero Institute of Human Rights on transfer of degrees.
5. Review of our Research Centre Finances

Development (Fundraising)

1. Introduced the Annual Dean's Lecture delivered to thrice to:
 - UK & Europe
 - Asia and Pacific
 - Americas
2. Working closely with the Development Director
3. Being the lead for Development Activities Oct 21-Oct 23 when we were without a Development Director
4. The inaugural Alumni Dean's Scholar Fund to raise scholarships for PGR students launched in 2021. We have raised money for 7 new scholarships for PGR students
5. Ongoing consultations on Oxford Women in Law (OWLS) and a potential chapter

- in Asia
6. Meeting: donors, potential donors, university development personnel at Oxford and in Asia (Singapore and Japan), and the Development Council
 7. Writing brochure and fundraising for Asian Laws
 8. Initiating Review of Development, and implementing recommendations, eg
 - recruitment of new Director of Development, Development Officer, and Alumni relations officer;
 - setting up Development Committee;
 - using University of Oxford Development Office (UODO) for line management
 9. Negotiated a £30k per annum support for the Oxford Programme of Asian Laws
 10. Negotiated 2 full black BCL student scholarship with the Commercial Bar, and Colleges
 11. Negotiated 3 additional BAME PGR Scholarships with Colleges
 12. Negotiated funding for 16 places on Summer Programme (external education programme)
 13. Introduced the External Education Programme:
This ran for the first time in 2021 and raised funds for PGR scholarships
We are also planning an Executive Education Programme
 14. Liaising with the Bodleian Law Library to use donations for LawTrove during the pandemic.

HR

1. Recruitment:
 - Oversight of all recruitment, and on panels at all levels
 - Discussions with prospective, appointed, and unsuccessful candidates
 - Retention discussions of colleagues made offers elsewhere
 - *'Demystifying Oxford for Academic Recruitment'* session to explain the vagaries of the Oxford collegiate system and style of teaching and examining to those outside the system. We received 300+ sign ups from 40+ countries
2. Oversight of tenure and promotion
3. Lead the recruitment of statutory Professorships: includes discussion with prospective candidates, appointed candidate, and unsuccessful candidates
4. Oversight of gap filling of administrative needs given the freeze on hiring and the usual, plus covid related, absences.
5. Administrative performance pay, and regrading
6. Persuading colleagues to take on administrative posts, eg Vice-Dean, Associate Deans, Chairs of degree management committees
7. Several difficult cases relating to performance that required sensitive management with the University and with Colleges
8. Handling very sensitive formal student complaints

External Relations:

- (i) External for Downing Chair appointment, Cambridge University
- (ii) External for Head of Law School appointment, Edinburgh University

- (iii) Member of panel for Durham University Law School Strategic Review, June 2022
- (iv) Doshisha University, Kyoto, academic exchange
- (v) Attended CHULS conference (Committee of Heads of University Law Schools)
- (vi) Liaising with IALS (International Association of Law Schools) about possible hosting of Annual and Global Deans meetings
- (vii) Lectured to UCL, Bristol, Australasian, European and Asian Universities
- (viii) Head of private law section of the Asian Law Schools Association

Other

- (i) Facilitating the hosting of a female Afghan judge at Oxford Law Faculty after the fall of Kabul, and mentoring her
- (ii) I organized fundraising of £20,000+ for Ukraine from 250+ individual donations from members of the Faculty, staff and students. We are working on other possibilities, eg, hosting visiting academics or research students (via CARA, BA, collaboration with colleges), making our External Programme available to some Ukraine students, exploring scholarships
- (iii) We are currently working to introduce a two month long online law programme for Afghan women law students at Kabul University

(b) Associate Dean of Graduates (Taught) 2014-18.

1. Chaired:
 - the Graduate Studies Committee
 - the Intellectual Property Diploma Management Committee
2. Member of:
 - the Social Sciences Division Graduate Studies Committee
 - the Examination Committee,
 - the Planning and Resources Committee
 - Law Board
 - the Tax MSc Management Committee
 - the Equality Committee
3. Innovations:
 - introduced and implemented a much-needed overhaul of the admissions procedure;
 - introduced and implemented a system whereby each taught graduate is assigned a post-holder Academic Advisor;
 - put in place incentives for a triennial student questionnaire involving answering four questionnaires over the academic year; the 85% response rate has provided a very strong basis for policy making; we introduced and implemented a 'Code of Good Practice' for faculty members based on the student questionnaires;
 - introduced the convention of four pieces of marked work per option;
 - moved the reporting system from OXCORT to one based on tutors reporting to the Academic Advisor who then reports on OSS;

- increased communication with student representatives and encouraged them to canvass their constituencies and raise concerns in GSC; this increased student participation significantly at GSC;
- reduced the reported isolation experienced by students by increasing the number and variety of social and networking events for students and putting them on a sound financial basis;
- introduced a 'term card' of induction, 'how to', and revision sessions and workshops to support student learning;
- initiated a graduate mentor system to assist students having particular difficulties; and
- shepherded the BCL/MJur program through its first ever Social Sciences Divisional Review, which resulted in constructive recommendations that the Graduate Studies Committee then took forward.

(c) Director of Undergraduate Studies in Law (2005-08).

I democratized undergraduate representation in the Faculty, from one based on a select group who selected the next select group, to a body comprised of the presidents of each College Law Society, described by the then Dean Timothy Endicott as a 'bloodless coup'.

(d) Member of Faculty

- (i) Convener of the Contract Law Teaching Group: maintaining core reading list which is the basis for all tutorials, overseeing lecture list on the subject, facilitating policy discussion and changes, eg syllabus
 - (ii) The Oxford Law Faculty is a partner with Renmin University and the Great Britain in the creation of the Common Law Centre at Renmin University in Beijing, with the support and encouragement of the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The aim is to strengthen UK- China cooperation in the legal field and to promote the value and principles of Common Law in China. I represent Oxford University at the Centre, along with one other Faculty member.
 - (iii) Member of almost every standing committee of the Faculty over my 28 years on the Faculty.
 - (iv) Member of various ad hoc committees, eg:
 - Strategy Committee
 - Working Party on the Introduction of Research Component into the Undergraduate Degree
 - Advisory committee for reconfiguration of the Law Faculty building
 - China Working Party
 - (v) Assessor of new lecturers for their interim and final five-year review
 - (vi) Harassment Officer
 - (vii) Outreach:
 - Faculty Open Day speaker on the 'Oxford law experience' to 250 students and for the Sutton Trust Summer School for law on a dozen occasions
 - Lecturer for the Law Faculty's UNIQ Summer School on numerous occasions
4. Faculty sponsor for numerous visiting academics from Asia.
 5. Speaker in the Finals Forum (on how to prepare for examinations)
 6. Faculty advisor for:
 - new faculty members

- a colleague whose tenure application was deferred; tenure since granted,
 - Career Development Fellows
 - informal mentoring of junior colleagues in the Faculty by meeting with them to discuss their careers, and
 - Recently I have started co-authoring with junior scholars (eg Victoria Dixon (a DPhil and lecturer), Rory Gregson (DPhil and lecturer), Anna Williams (Eldon Scholar, barrister with academic aspirations) and Emma Hughes (a barrister with academic aspirations) as a way of mentoring and bringing on the next generation.
7. Assisting the Dean:
- receiving visiting delegations from china with the Dean.
 - attending lengthy and sensitive meeting with ProVC of Development on behalf of the Dean involving China's 'Belt and Road' funding and Law Faculty personnel.

B. Merton College

1. *Dean of Discipline* (Principal of the Postmasters)
2. *Academic Needs and Fellowships Committee* (overall planning of academic policy in the College, policy on fellowships shape and size, approval of special leave and buy-outs)
3. *Committee on College Officers and Standing Committees* (appointing people for all the offices and membership of committees in the College)
4. *Reappointments Committee*
5. *Harassment Adviser*
6. *Disciplinary Committee*
7. *Hardship Fund Committee*
8. *Graduate's Committee*
9. *Warden and Tutors Committee*
10. *Governing Body*
11. *Committee to select the Senior Tutor*
12. *Scholarship committee*
13. *Selector of the Barnett Scholarship for BCL student*
14. *Trustee and selector of the Barton Scholarship for BCL student*
15. I initiated and run the Halsbury Law Society's Annual public lecture series at which three Law Lords and other leading judges, and public figures have spoken since 2002
16. The College's representative on the University's Conference of Colleges Appeals Tribunal

C. University

Prior to Deanship:

- (i) Member of the Legal Panel (making recommendations to the Conference of Colleges and its committees on legal issues affecting colleges, and liaising with the University on legal matters of shared concern).
- (ii) Member of the Social Sciences Division Teaching Policy Committee
- (iii) Member of the University Educational Policy Standards Committee

- (iv) Regular speaker at the University's Springboard Women's Development Programme
- (v) Mentor on the University's Ad Feminam mentoring scheme

D. Leading large research project

Further evidence of leadership experience comes from my program of collaboration with well over 100 contributors, commentators, judges, and practitioners from 14 countries in Asia (China, Japan, Korea, India, Hong Kong, Singapore, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Cambodia, Myanmar, Taiwan, Thailand and the Philippines) to produce a six book series published by Oxford University Press called ***Studies in the Contract Laws of Asia***. This originated in my representing Singapore on the Principles of Asian Contract Law (PACL) project first as a participant, then as an Editor. This experience (2009-2012) revealed particular difficulties for Asian jurisdictions in joining the international conversation on comparative studies and harmonization of contract laws, including:

- proficiency in scholarly and legal English,
- different structure of academia (being more hierarchical and loyalty based),
- different style of scholarship (being more descriptive rather than normative), the dearth of horizontal comparisons across Asia and with European and international instruments or restatements (the tendency being to engage in vertical comparisons with the European source jurisdiction), and
- post WWII tensions that still simmer below the surface.

My project facilitates Asian jurisdictions in producing the sort of scholarship that will engage the attention of the 'West'. Along with my *Text, Cases and Materials in Asian Contract Law*, which is being produced with four colleagues, this series creates a whole new subject that, moreover, can be taught in Law Schools worldwide based on these books. Hereafter, any serious examination of comparative contract law cannot avoid engaging with this new scholarship on Asian contract law.

I had some cultural advantages in implementing the Asian Contract Law project. But the experience has taught me more than I could have imagined in the forms of patience, tact, good humour, overcoming all manner of obstacles and delays, dealing with difficult personalities, encouraging and inspiring the group, judgment about when to push and when to cut losses, always looking for the 'win-win' if possible, and creating platforms for others to shine.

The project establishes a new way of cooperation for Asian contract law specialists, a different approach to academic writing and a new way to communicate with the rest of the world. This project has inspired a number of similar comparative Asian law projects (e.g. in banking and property law), and in producing high quality English language books on contract law (e.g. by the Vietnamese and Indian contributors to my series). I am the Consultant for the Indian Contract Law project.

E. International profile

In addition to the invitations to deliver keynote and plenary lectures, I have some knowledge of the workings of other leading law schools.

1. I am privileged to be acquainted with law schools in the New World and the Old, in the West and the East. In addition to Oxford, I have interacted with law schools in the UK, in Europe, in Australasia and, of course, Asia. I have taught at HKU, Renmin, Auckland, Canterbury, Otago, National Taiwan, Göttingen, Melbourne, Doshisha, Tokyo, and Thammasat.
2. Chair Professor for 2024-27 National Chengchi University
3. Advisory Consultant for National Taiwan University 2023-
4. External assessor for:
 - two appointments of Faculty members at Trinity College, Dublin, 2017
 - the Universitat de Barcelona tenure track posts 2018
 - the Downing Professor of Private Law, Cambridge University
 - the Head of Law School, Edinburgh University
5. Member of panel for Durham University Law School Strategic Review, June 2022
6. Director of the Private Law Centre at the National University of Singapore from 2018-2021
7. Chair of the Private Law Chapter of the Asian Law Schools Association (ALSA) Feb 2021-
8. Referee for tenure and promotions at Law Faculties in other UK institutions, in New Zealand, Hong Kong and Singapore. Referee for a Higher PhD at Auckland University.
9. On the Expert Panel on *Remedies under the Australian consumer law and the common law*, based at Melbourne Law School
10. On Honourary /Advisory Board for the following journals:
 - Network of International Law Students Law Journal
 - Northern Ireland Law Quarterly
 - National Taiwan University Law Journal
 - Thai Legal Studies
 - Oxford University Undergraduate Law Journal
11. Lectured to judiciary:
 - The Judicial College of England and Wales
 - The Judiciary in Hong Kong, and Taiwan
12. Selector for the New Zealand Rhodes Scholarships from 2018
13. External Examiner:
 1. University College London
 2. Queen's University Belfast
 3. Hong Kong University
14. Regular book proposal and article reviewer for many publishers and journals
15. Conducted teaching Workshop in the Oxford Law Faculty, and at Hong Kong University
16. Delivered public lecture on 'Gender in Higher Education':
 - Hong Kong University: see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n8rSo9MFN7Y>
 - University of British Columbia
 - National University of Singapore staff seminar
17. The Society of Public Teachers of Law (SPTL) Panel on the Law of Restitution

18. Invited participant in the New Zealand Law Commission's discussion on issues relating to contract law reform
19. Member of the New Zealand Law Commission's advisory committee on the reform and codification of the law relating to unfair contracts (Law Commission Discussion Paper "*Unfair Contracts*")
20. Invited by Professor Peter Cane (ANU) to join the Research Assessment Exercise panel for Hong Kong Law Schools
21. I was invited to act as the Lead Foreign Expert to put together a \$RMB 10 million program bringing foreign legal experts to Renmin Law, Beijing annually to enrich the research and teaching at for 5 years, as part of the activity of the China Common Law Centre at Renmin, with which Oxford has an MOU
22. Request by the Chief Justice of Singapore to advise the Singapore Academy of Law on its Asian commercial law project
23. Requests from Renmin University, China, to lead a project on the Harmonization of Asian Contract law
24. discussing reform of the Chinese Civil Code 2020 with the chief drafter of the Code, Wang Liming
25. Many invitations to visit from around the world, which are repeated
26. Many and repeated collaborations in Asia
27. Translation of one of my articles into Chinese¹

5. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

As Dean, I

1. Facilitated the creation of the Oxford Law Black Alumni Network
<https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research/oxford-law-black-alumni>
2. Oversee the Annual Equality Lecture
3. Started the #RaceMeToo Twitter campaign that has led to:
 - reporting in newspapers: Cherwell, Telegraph, Daily Mail, Online Chinese news, and Chanel News Asia
<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/watch/undercover-asia/law-dean-who-didnt-look-oxford-enough-calls-out-racism-2576861?fbclid=IwAR12PrZY-XZ1loxEqNIUqs9mi8IN5gODZhjaOb4IQXDskz8R9BW3dOtfuSE>
 - (i) Invitations to speak on ED&I:
 - NZ Asian Lawyers (160 registration)
 - Otago Asian Law Students Association
 - Oxford University
 - UCL Law EDI: full lecture with Q&A (280+ registration)
 - Bristol U EDI: the event was booked out in the first 24 hours and moved to a larger venue

¹“The Purposes and Methods of English Contract Law” translated into Chinese, (2011) 12 Peking University Law Review, 681-693

- Keynote speaker: 8th Frontiers Conference of Environmental Law Australasia
 - Opening remarks: Different Voices, Different Knowledges Workshop
 - Open University
 - The European Academy of Sciences and Arts is a society of some 1500 prominent scholars, including 32 Nobel laureates.
 - Winfield Society, St John's College, Cambridge
 - Merton Women's 40th Anniversary of Admission of Women
 - Cambridge Law Students
- (ii) Invitations to advise:
- Oxford University's Race Equality Task Force Strategy
 - Cambridge Law Faculty
 - Oxford Social Sciences Division Equality Committee
 - Otago University, Law Faculty
- (iii) Invitation to engage with the legal profession: invited speak in London to Senior Partners and General Counsel Level audience
- (iv) Invitation to engage with policy and reform: the head of the Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law has asked me to work with senior judges regarding diversifying the judiciary
- (v) Participation in Help End Everyday Racism Project (HERE) of Divisions of Medical Sciences and Social Sciences at Oxford University, a listening project. I made a 4-minute video to launch it, and delivered a public lecture to accompany the publication of the results.

Previously,

4. In 2016, I researched and delivered talks to address the gender gap in exam results and related issues of gender inequality in the University and beyond, to: freshers, other undergraduates, taught graduates and research students. They were extremely well-received and prompted further invitations to speak to various Colleges, and student organizations on issues of gender and race. The feedback has shown how timely these talks are and the need to engage with the issues arising.
5. I have led workshops on gender dynamics in teaching at the Law Faculties at British Columbia, Hong Kong, and Oxford. I also spoke at a staff seminar at NUS.
6. For a five-year period, I took the initiative to mentor East and SE Asian taught graduate students when that contingent seemed to struggle to adapt. The response was very positive and since then, the successful graduates have passed on their advice.
7. I was the Senior member of the Oxford Women Students in Law Society
8. I spoke at the Diversity in the Curriculum workshop at Oxford Law and contributed to the report and action plan.
9. I have sponsored many Asian scholars as academic visitors to the Faculty.
10. I successfully argued for diversity being a consideration in selecting Visiting Professors to the Faculty.