

INTERASIAN LEGALITIES CLUSTER SEMINAR SERIES / SEM 2, 2024

INTERASIAN LEGALITIES: CONNECTIONS AND FRICTIONS

Tuesday, **10 September** @ 5:00-6:30pm
(Parramatta City Campus, PC-01.7.29). Speakers:
Sven Gallasch (Deakin Law School) & Jeremy
Kingsley (WSU-SOL).

This seminar will consider the contemporary realities and historical foundations that legal systems and cultures are built upon in Asia. It responds to a conundrum that entails the reconceptualization of Asia as a set of interconnected processes: as borders are being crossed more easily than ever before, abetted by technological advancements in digital infrastructure, local legal regimes and actors continue to maintain their socio-political and territorial resonance. In wake of geo-political challenges to globalisation it is a useful juncture to reflect upon transnational legalities and governance structures, which have been disrupted, but remain in effect across the Asia.

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RECONCILING ISLAMIC AND INTERNATIONAL CONTRACT LAWS

Thursday, **3 October** @ 12:00-1:30pm (Parramatta
South Campus, PS-EB.3.21). Speakers: Lisa
Spagnolo (Macquarie Law School) & Maria Bhatti
(WSU-SOL).

This seminar will examine the compatibility between the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) and Islamic law, focusing on how international legal systems navigate global legal frameworks, particularly in trade with and between Asian nations influenced by Sharia. The topic has gained urgency following Saudi Arabia's recent declaration to join the CISG with a reservation regarding interest payments, reflecting its adherence to Sharia law. The speakers will explore how the prohibition of interest (riba) in Islamic law can be reconciled with the obligations under the CISG, shedding light on the broader challenges and opportunities for Asian legal systems as they engage with global regulatory standards.