

EDITORIAL

A different perspective often inspires human beings. Paradoxically, the current pandemic crisis is dismantling the modern dichotomy simply dividing the developed West and undeveloped Asia. At this historical turning point, Asia's future should be redesigned in a global context. In this regard, it is an urgent mission to resolve the conflicts lying between them. Disputes are always due to different understandings of human identities. Harmony can be thus obtained based on the new platform overcoming those differences. It can be realized by embracing the twenty-first century's changes including digital progressions. The current paradigm shift should be addressed by a revolutionist approach to international law which will provide new discourse beyond the mainstream (traditional Western European and American) ideas. Reconciliation, empathy, and communication are the grounds for the new world that our Journal takes for granted.

The thematic subject of this issue is Reconsidering the Status of Hong Kong under "One Country, Two Systems." In the <Issue Focus> section, Professor Congyan Cai and Ms. Jie Liu have co-authored "From Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 to Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act of 2019: The Evolution of the US's Hong Kong Policy in the Context of the Rise of China." The <Articles> section contains four research papers. Professor Ernst-Ulrich Petersmann has written "WTO ADJUDICATION@me.too: Are Global Public Goods like the World Trade Organization Owned by Governments or by Peoples and Citizens?"; Dr. Zhijie Chen has discussed "Theoretical Territoriality Paradox for the Intellectual Property Protection in Outer Space and Its Regulatory Approach for Reconciliation"; Professors Lin Zhang & Jingjing An have written "A Generic Construction of the Right System for Population Ageing: Draft Convention on the Rights of the Elderly"; and Professor Deymah Alweqyan has examined "The Role of OPEC in Reducing Oil Prices under International Law:

The 2014 Downfall and Today's Relevance. The <Regional Focus & Controversies> section has captured the question on sea level rise. Professor Nguyen Hong Thao has addressed the Vietnamese perspective on the sea level rise in the Western Pacific region, while Professors Marcel Hendrapati et al. have advocated an Indonesian approach to sea levels rise due to global warming. Mr. Ke Song has contributed a student article, "Liberal or Constrained? Judicial Incorporations of Other Rules of

International Law in the UNCLOS and the Application of the Genuine Link Test.” In the <East Asian Observer> section, Professor Patthara Limsira has dealt with the International Convention on Salvage 1989 and Thailand’s Implementation. <Digest> section includes an analysis on The Anglo-Dutch Treaty of 1824 for today’s Malaysia. We also appreciate Dr. Jungqing Chao for her review article. At this time, Professor Ernst-Ulrich Petersmann at European University Institute (Florence, Italy) was invited for the interview. His life and academic achievements are truly impressive.

The Journal would like to deeply appreciate our editorial members, experts, and colleagues for their painstaking devotion and cooperation on this issue.

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