

Dignity, Democracy, Diversity

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Special Workshop

Title of Workshop	Political Pluralism in Greater China – 大中华的政治多元化
Abstract	<p>It is easy to think of the PRC as a monist state run by a monist party. However, the governance of a civilization state like China must take account of a broader diversity of views and experience than most nation states.</p> <p>Our workshop will address the role of diversity and pluralism in the law and politics of (Greater) China. Greater China (大中华) also encompasses the separate experiences of the sinophone world, including Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, and Singapore.</p> <p>We take a particular interest in the philosophy of law and we welcome comparative approaches, in respect of both space and time.</p> <p>While the conference is open to any submission on politico-legal diversity and pluralism in China, we especially welcome papers addressing the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pluralism in the governance of China ○ China's Two Constitutions? ○ Diversity within the CCP ○ 'Schools' of Ancient Chinese thought and their impact on modern state China ○ Positivism and natural law in the Republican Era ○ Unification and diversification in Chinese political thought ○ "One country, how many systems?"; cross-strait relations; Hong Kong's Basic Law; "Chinese federalism"; PRC central vs. local legislation ○ The limited autonomy of autonomous regions; status of indigenous people in Greater China; Singapore's population policies; PRC policy towards Overseas Chinese ○ Pluralism and freedom of conscience; academic freedom, propaganda and ideology; sinicization of 'Western' religions ○ Competition and the regulation of the socialist market economy with Chinese characteristics; the evolution of PRC's "principal contradiction"
Organizer(s)	<p>Abstracts of the papers (up to 400 words) should be submitted to the organisers by email (philipp.renninger@unilu.ch) by 1 March 2019. If your submission is successful, we will publish your abstract for on the IVR 2019 website (https://www.ivr2019.org/) and provide further details for submission of the full paper. We may publish the proceedings of the conference in an anthology.</p> <p><i>Philipp Renninger, Ref. jur. Faculty of Law, Universities of Lucerne (CH) and Freiburg (DE)</i></p> <p><i>Ewan Smith, B.A. (Oxon), LL.M. (Harvard) Shaw Foundation Junior Research Fellow Jesus College, University of Oxford (GB)</i></p>