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**Some Thoughts on International Arbitration in Japan
and Elsewhere**

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Small Moot Court, Room 723, Cheng Yu Tung Tower
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Professor Sakamoto's presentation will offer his observations on the latest developments in international arbitration within and outside OF Japan. In so doing, he will assess whether and (if so) to what extent Japan might accommodate modern Western-style arbitration practices and hybrid forms of dispute resolution (such as med-arb and arb-med-arb).

Professor Sakamoto has been teaching at the Nihon University College of Law since 2003 on the US legal system from a Japanese perspective. His areas of research include Constitutional Law, Contracts, Torts, Civil Procedure, and International Dispute Resolution. In 2014 Professor Sakamoto was a Visiting Scholar at Pennsylvania State University Law School. In 2011 he taught a course on International Litigation and Arbitration in Japan as a Visiting Professor at UC Hastings College of Law. Before joining Nihon University College of Law Faculty, he practised international commercial litigation in the US as a New York state-licensed attorney, as well as a foreign law attorney licensed in Japan. Professor Sakamoto received his legal education in Japan and the United States, obtaining a Bachelor of Law at Nihon University College of Law and Master of Law and Master of Comparative Law degrees from Tulane University Law School. He is currently looking into whether dispute resolution methods suitable for parties from differing legal traditions.



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