





Programme

Death Penalty Conference

The University of Hong Kong, the EU Office to Hong Kong and Macau and ADPAN









24 -25 October, 2013

Venues:

24 October - 11/F, Academic Conference Room, 25 October - 2/F, Moot Court Room, Faculty of Law, Cheng Yu Tung Tower The University of Hong Kong

About the Conference

During 2013, the **EU Office to Hong Kong and Macau** plans to support several events against the death penalty, in cooperation with local, regional and international partners. These events include a conference, film screenings, and public outreach activities. The conference will be jointly hosted by the **Centre for Comparative and Public Law** at the University of Hong Kong and **ADPAN** (Anti-Death Penalty Asia Network). The conference will try to build on two earlier events, the 5th Madrid World Congress Against the Death Penalty and the OHCHR Global Panel 'Moving Away from the Death Penalty – Wrongful Convictions', held in June 2013.

This conference will offer the rare opportunity for civil society activists from across the Asia-Pacific, those with experience of working towards abolition in the EU, as well as members of the diplomatic and academic community in Hong Kong, to come together to network and share strategies and information. Participation in the conference is by invitation only, with the Chatham House Rule being observed in both the panel discussions and the workshops. There will be one public forum on the afternoon of the first day of the conference. The public forum will take the form of a debate and will encourage student participation and attendance.







Thursday, 24 October		
8:30am - 9:00am 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Morning Registration	
9:00am - 9:45am 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Introduction and Welcoming Remarks Professor Johannes Chan, SC, Dean, Faculty of Law, HKU Kevin Zervos, High Court Judge, former Director of Public Prosecutions, HKSAR Vincent Piket, Head of European Union Office to Hong Kong & Macao	
9:45am - 10:45am 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Plenary Session "Mapping the State of Abolition in Asia Today" Moderator: Roseanne Rife, Amnesty International Surya Deva, City University of Hong Kong Aurélie Plaçais, Program Director, World Coalition Against the Death Penalty Fifa Rahman, Anti Death Penalty Asia Network (ADPAN) Discussion	
10:45am - 11:00am	Morning Tea	
11:00am - 12:30pm 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Panel Discussion "Case Studies on the Death Penalty in Asia" Moderator: Bart Stapert, Attorney Michael H. Fox, Japan Innocence and Death Penalty Centre Ajeng Larasati Reprieve, Indonesia Daniel Pascoe, Oxford University Discussion	
12:30pm - 1:30pm Alumni Room, Room 901, 9/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Lunch Break	







Thursday, 24 October Afternoon		
1:30pm - 2:30pm TBC Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Working Groups on Thematic Issues Panellists will be divided into three groups and will be assigned a particular thematic issue to tackle in their groups.	
2:30pm - 3:30pm 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Working Group Findings Panel (Moderator Sharron Fast, University of Hong Kong) One representative from each Working Group to present findings and talking points elucidated from their discussions.	
3:30pm - 3:45pm	Afternoon Tea	
	Panel Discussion	
3:45pm - 5:00pm 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	"Strategies for Abolition" Moderator: Asad Beg, Office of the European Union in Hong Kong and Macau Lord Alfred Dubs, UK Zahved Mahmood, OHCHR Hsinyi Lin, Taiwan Alliance to End the Death Penalty (TAEDP) Ben Xiong, China	
	Discussion	
5:00pm - 6:00pm 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Public Debate: "Is it wrong for the state to kill?"	
	Two panels will debate for and against the motion.	
6:30pm	Dinner: Josephs', Graduate House, HKU	







	Friday, 25 October
9:00am - 10:30am 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Panel Discussion "Panel on the Death Penalty in China" Moderator: Fu Hualing, University of Hong Kong Eva Pils, Chinese University of Hong Kong Borge Bakken, University of Hong Kong Teng Biao, Director, China Against Death Penalty Zhao Bingzhi, Beijing Normal University
10:30am -10:45am	Discussion Morning Tea
10:45am - 11:45pm Rooms 319, 322 & 323, 3/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Working Groups on Thematic Issues: Part II Panellists will be divided into three groups and will be assigned a particular thematic issue to tackle in their groups.
11:45am - 12:45pm 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Working Group Findings Panel: Part II (Moderator Farzana Aslam, University of Hong Kong) One representative from each Working Group to present findings and talking points elucidated from their discussions.
12:45pm - 2:00pm Room 901, 9/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Lunch
2:00pm - 3:30pm 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower	Panel Discussion "Panel on Thematic Issues" Moderator: Fifa Rahman, ADPAN Bart Stapert, Attorney Zoe Bedford, Reprieve UK Ajeng Larasati, Reprieve Indonesia Joshua Rosenzweig, Chinese University of Hong Kong
3:30pm - 4:15pm	Keynote Speaker and Closing Remarks Keynote speaker – Robert Badinter Video message/direct link) Closing remarks – Vincent Piket, Head of European Union Office to Hong Kong & Macao