COVID-19, BORDERS, AND THE LAW
24-25 MAY 2022

PANEL 1: Border Restrictions, Quarantine, and Human Rights Derogations (1:15pm-3pm HKT, May 24)
- “A Human Rights-Based Approach to Stop a Pathogen at Borders”
  - Martin Scheinin (European University Institute)
- “Travel Restrictions and International Freedom of Movement”
  - Fernando Dias Simões (Chinese University of Hong Kong)
- “Lived Experience of Australia’s International and Domestic Covid-19 Border Closures”
  - Kate Ogg (Australian National University) and Olivera Simic (Griffith University)
Chair: Po Jen Yap (HKU Law)

PANEL 2: Pandemic Treaties and Travel Restrictions: The Present and Future (3:30pm-5pm HKT, May 24)
- “An Assessment of the Effectiveness of the International Health Regulations in the Response to Covid-19”
  - Susan Breau (University of Victoria, Canada)
- “Evolving Understandings of the Effectiveness of International Border Control Measures During the Covid-19 Pandemic”
  - Karen Grépin (HKU School of Public Health)
- “Digital Capacity and the Proposed International Pandemic Preparedness Treaty”
  - Calvin Ho (HKU Law)
Chair: Eric Ip (HKU Law)

PANEL 3: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Pandemics and Border Control (4pm-5:30pm HKT, May 25)
  - Matthew Longo (Leiden University)
- “Border Governance, Shadow Exchanges, and Biosecurity During Covid-19”
  - Tak-Wing Ngo (University of Macau)
- “Inbound Quarantine Regulations in Colonial Hong Kong”
  - Christopher Szabla (HKU Law)
Chair: Michael Ng (HKU Law)

PANEL 4: The Impact of Covid-19 on Migrants and Refugees (7:30pm-9pm HKT, May 25)
- “Migration in the Mediterranean at the Time of the Pandemic”
  - Sofia Galani (Panteion University, Greece)
- “How Covid-19 Reinforced Existing Challenges to the Protection of Forced Migrants: Examples from South America”
  - Liliana Jubilut (Universidade Católica de Santos, Brazil)
- “Citizenship, the Exclusive State, and the Transboundary Pandemic: Covid-19 and Migrants in Southeast Asia”
  - Sriprapha Petcharamesree (Mahibol University, Thailand)
Chair: Kelley Loper (HKU Law)

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