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**Dynastic Chinese Law and the
Modern Chinese Legal Identity**

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Tuesday, 18 March 2008, 1:00 – 2:00 pm
Room 303, 3/F KK Leung Building, University of Hong Kong

How is China's legal past linked to its current legal system? Specifically, what bearing -- if any -- does the centuries-long tradition of codified Chinese dynastic law have on the "legal identity" of contemporary China? Professor Head will offer his personal observations on these issues, drawing from his own study of Chinese dynastic law and on an "outsider's" view of law in today's PRC.

Professor John Head holds both an English law degree from Oxford University and a J.D. degree from the University of Virginia. Before joining the law faculty at the University of Kansas (KU), he was in private practice in Washington, D.C., and served as legal counsel to the Asian Development Bank (in Manila) and to the International Monetary Fund (in Washington). He has taught law in several countries in Europe and Asia and regularly undertakes overseas assignments involving international financial law, international organizations, and international legal training. Professor Head, who has won several awards for teaching and who has helped build KU's vibrant International and Comparative Law Program, has written widely in the areas of international economic law, international public law, comparative legal history and dynastic Chinese law.

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