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Speakers' Overview

Professor Donald Clarke

"Order and Law in China"



Professor Donald Clarke is Professor of Law and David A. Weaver Research Professor at George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C., where he specializes in modern Chinese law, with a particular focus on corporate governance, Chinese legal institutions, and the legal issues presented by China's economic reforms. He served as an expert witness on Chinese law matters in a number of legal cases and has advised organizations.

Professor Clarke holds an A.B. degree from Princeton University, an M.Sc. degree from the School of Oriental & African Studies of the University of London (SOAS), and a J.D. degree from Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Prior to his current position, he was on the faculty of SOAS and the University of Washington School of Law, and he has been a visiting professor at New York University Law School, UCLA School of Law, and Duke Law School. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Benjamin Creutzfeldt, Ph.D.

"Marvel and Misunderstanding - Sino-German Biographies"



Benjamin Creutzfeldt was a Postdoctoral Fellow at SAIS Foreign Policy Institute, Johns Hopkins University, and a Resident Fellow at the Wilson Center in Washington, DC. Mr. Creutzfeldt obtained his Ph.D. in Political Studies from Externado University in Colombia, and is also a historian of Chinese art with ample experience as an auctioneer and start-up entrepreneur in China, Colombia, Panama and the United States. In parallel to his research activities at Göttingen University, Creutzfeldt is a lecturer for Chinese Politics and Society at Universidad del Pacífico in Lima, Peru.

For the past ten years, he has researched and published widely on China's relations with Latin America. He is interested in both the practical and the theoretical aspects of China's foreign policy: diplomacy, and Chinese IR Theory.

Katja Drinhausen, LL.M.

"Human Rights in China: Political discourse, legal implementation, and areas of friction with international human rights law"



Katja Drinhausen is a Senior Analyst at the Mercator Institute of China Studies (MERICS). Her research focuses on the development of China's legal and governance system, including digital governance and the social credit system, as well as human rights in China and state policies towards minorities. She also coordinates research in the Politics & Society team at MERICS.

Ms. Drinhausen studied Sinology, International Law and Chinese Law at the universities of Leipzig, Erlangen-Nuremberg and the China University of Political Science and Law. Before joining MERICS, she worked as a researcher and project manager in Beijing where she tracked the development of Chinese law, governance and civil society in China.

Dr. Peter Ganea

"Intellectual Property Law in China"



Dr. Peter Ganea is German Co-Director of the Sino-German International Economic Law Institute at Tongji University. He has been Head of the Asia Department of the Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition in Munich and has coordinated an interdisciplinary M.A. programme on modern East Asian Studies at Frankfurt University. He has published on intellectual property and competition law in Asia and he has taught numerous courses on intellectual property law and law in general.

Dr. Joachim Glatter

"Arbitration in China"



Dr. Joachim Glatter studied law and the Chinese language at the universities of Münster, Lausanne, Göttingen and Nanjing. He wrote his doctoral thesis on a Chinese economic law topic. From 1991 to 2014 he worked as partner of international law firms (such as Clifford Chance, Taylor Wessing) in Beijing, Shanghai and Frankfurt. He advised foreign companies regarding their business transactions in China including establishment and restructuring of foreign invested enterprises, M&A, technology transfers, commercial contracts and arbitration.

Since 2015 he is working as independent arbitrator. He is nominated on the Panel of Arbitrators of major Chinese arbitration institutions such as the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission, the Shanghai International Arbitration Center and the Beijing Arbitration Commission.

Dr. Philipp Großkopf

"Legal Challenges to Supply Chain Management"



Dr. Philipp Großkopf heads the Risk Management & Compliance department of an international corporation. He is an experienced manager and specializes in the implementation of global legal, compliance and risk management processes. He studied law at the LMU München, did his PhD in law in Göttingen and has an operations management qualification. After starting to work in an international lawfirm, Philipp went inhouse as a lawyer and headed the legal department until his current position.

Ralph Koppitz

“China Labor Contracts and Immigration – An Introduction”



Ralph Koppitz, a German lawyer, studied law in Munich and Mandarin in Beijing. Based in China from 1997 to 2022, he advises international companies regarding their China engagements. From 2002 to early 2020, he headed the Shanghai office of a major international law firm and the firm’s China employment group. In 2021 and 2022, Ralph has been teaching Chinese master students as associate professor at Shanghai University for Political Science and Law. In 2022, he decided to relocate to Potsdam.

His main advisory focus is regarding all employment related legal topics, in the corporate area including joint ventures in China, and in rendering contract negotiation support. He continues to support Shanghai Linie Investment Consultancy Co., Ltd., which provides agency support for company set-ups, corporate housekeeping and all types of immigration titles (visa, work and residence permits, green cards for foreigners).

Professor Benjamin L. Liebman

“Big Data, Transparency, and AI in China's Courts”



Professor Benjamin L. Liebman leads Columbia Law School’s Hong Yen Chang Center for Chinese Legal Studies, the first institution of its kind at a U.S. law school. The center prepares students to take on leadership roles in Chinese law and provides them with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in China’s rapidly changing legal environment.

Widely known as a preeminent scholar of contemporary Chinese law, Liebman studies Chinese court judgments, the roles of artificial intelligence and big data in the Chinese legal system, Chinese tort law, Chinese criminal procedure, and the evolution of China’s courts. His research has covered diverse topics in Chinese law over the years, ranging from leniency in criminal law to medical dispute resolution and securities markets. Professor Liebman’s expertise is highly sought after in academic and political spheres alike. He has consulted with both the U.S and Chinese governments on legal developments in China.

Professor Dr. Eva Pils

“China and the Threat to Global Academic Freedom“



Professor Dr. Eva Pils is Professor of Law at The Dickson Poon School of Law at King's College London. She studied law, philosophy and sinology in Heidelberg, London and Beijing and holds a PhD in law from University College London. Her scholarship focuses on human rights, authoritarianism, and law in China. Before joining King's in 2014, Eva was an associate professor at The Chinese University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law. At King's, she is affiliated with the Lau China Institute, the Transnational Law Institute and the Yeoh Tiong Lay Centre for Politics, Philosophy and Law.

Her current research addresses the challenges to human rights and the rule of law from authoritarian conceptions and practices of governance and the boundaries of legal and political resistance. Professor Pils is author of *China's human rights lawyers: advocacy and resistance* (Routledge, 2014) and of *Human rights in China: a social practice in the shadows of authoritarianism* (Polity, 2018).

Professor Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler, M.A.

“Chinese Business Law“



Professor Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler has headed the China Unit at the Max Planck Institute for Private Law since 2002. He is also Professor of Chinese Law at the University of Göttingen and Cologne. Pißler completed degrees in law and in law and sinology and conducted doctoral research at the Sino-German Institute for Legal Studies at the University of Nanjing until 2002. He was Visiting Professor of Sinology at the Freie Universität Berlin in 2014/2015 and Visiting Professor of Law at Columbia Law School in New York in October 2015. In November 2017 he was a visiting lecturer on civil procedure law at the University of Nanjing.

Professor Pißler is a member of the Board of Directors of the German-Chinese Jurists' Association (DCJV), the co-editor of the "Schriften zum chinesischen Recht" series on Chinese law, and a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the Journal of Current Chinese Affairs and the Editorial Boards of the China-EU Law Journal and the German Journal of Chinese Law (Zeitschrift für Chinesisches Recht). He is also a founding member of the European China Law Studies Association (ECLS).

Dr. Simon Werthwein

“Property Law - A Cornerstone of China's "Socialist Market Economy“



Dr. Simon Werthwein is a corporate and M&A lawyer in the legal department of the Voith Group, a global technology company. He started his legal career in 2010 when he joined the Frankfurt office of an international law firm.

During his legal studies and postgraduate training Simon spent one and a half years in China. Since 2005 he has been publishing on a variety of areas of Chinese law, including property law. Simon is a part-time lecturer at the University of Cologne and Goethe University Frankfurt.

Monday, Sept. 12 th , 2022	
09.15 – 09.30	Check-in: VG 0.111 , Platz der Göttinger Sieben 7, 37073 Göttingen or via zoom (link at request)
09.30 – 09.45	Greetings and Introduction <i>Prof. Dr. José Martínez / Prof. Dr. Rüdiger Krause</i> <i>Directors of the Sino-German Institute for Legal Studies, University of Göttingen</i>
09.45 – 10.00	Break
10.00 – 11.30	Chinese Business Law I – Chinese Legal System <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
11.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	Chinese Business Law II – Chinese Legal System <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
15.00 – 15.30	Break
15.30 – 17.00	Order & Law in China <i>Prof. Donald C. Clarke</i> <i>The George Washington University Law School, Washington D.C.</i>
Tuesday, Sept. 13 th , 2022	
09.15 – 10.45	Chinese Business Law III – Chinese Contract Law <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
10.45 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 12.30	China and the Threat to Global Academic Freedom <i>Prof. Dr. Eva Pils</i> <i>Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London</i>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	Marvel and Misunderstanding - Sino-German Biographies <i>Benjamin Creutzfeldt, Ph.D.</i> <i>University of Göttingen</i>

15.00 – 15.15	Break
15.15 – 16.45	Chinese Labor Contracts and Immigration - An Introduction <i>Ralph Koppitz</i> <i>Senior Advisor, Shanghai Linie Investment Consultancy</i>
16.45 – 17.00	Break
17.00 – 18.30	Arbitration in China <i>Dr. Joachim Glatter</i> <i>Independent Arbitrator, Frankfurt</i>
Wednesday, Sept. 14th, 2022	
09.15 – 10.45	Chinese Business Law IV – Contract Law <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
10.45 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 12.30	Intellectual Property Law in China <i>Dr. Peter Ganea</i> <i>Tongji University, Shanghai</i>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	Big Data, Transparency, and Artificial Intelligence in Chinese Courts <i>Prof. Benjamin L. Liebman</i> <i>Columbia Law School, New York</i>
19.00 – 21.00	Movie Night: „A Touch of Sin“ ZHG 002 <i>Katja Pessel, M.A., M.A.</i> <i>Coordinator CeMAS, University of Göttingen</i>
Thursday, Sept. 15th, 2022	
09.15 – 10.45	Chinese Business Law V – The Anatomy of Chinese Business Organizations <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
10.45 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 12.30	Chinese Business Law VI – The Anatomy of Chinese Business Organizations <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>

12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	Property Law – A Cornerstone of China’s “Socialist Market Economy” <i>Dr. Simon Werthwein</i> <i>Voith Group, Heidenheim an der Brenz</i>
15.00 – 15.15	Break
15.15 – 16.45	Legal Challenges to Supply Chain Management <i>Dr. Philipp Großkopf</i> <i>Klüber Lubrications, Munich</i>
Evening	City & Bar Tour in Göttingen
Friday, Sept. 16th, 2022	
09.15 – 10.45	Chinese Business Law VII – Regulations on Foreign Invested Enterprises <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
10.45 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 12.30	Human rights in China: Political discourse, legal implementation and areas of friction with international human rights law <i>Katja Drinhausen, LL.M.</i> <i>Mercator Institute for China Studies, Berlin</i>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	Chinese Business Law VIII – Regulations on Foreign Invested Enterprises <i>Prof. Dr. Knut Benjamin Pißler</i> <i>Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg</i>
15.00 – 15.30	Introducing Junge DCJV <i>Sandra Michelle Röseler, LL.M., LL.M. & Lucie Schultz</i> <i>Junge DCJV</i>
15.30	Handing out of take-home exam
	Confirmation of participation will be given. Moreover, a certificate will be issued upon successful completion of the take-home exam, which also serves as proof of participation in a foreign language course (§4 I No. 1 lit.d NJAG). For registration options and further details, please visit: www.deutschchinesischesinstitut.uni-goettingen.de