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Dr. Yonghui BAO, Lecturer in Law, Capital Normal University, Beijing. PhD in Corporate and Financial Law (University of Exeter, UK), LL.M (The University of Hong Kong). His research field includes company law, securities and financial regulations, as well as multidisciplinary research in the area of law and economics.



Dr. Fiona Brimblecombe – Lecturer in Law, the University of Manchester, UK

Fiona is a Lecturer in Law (Teaching & Research) at the University of Manchester. She has a undergraduate degree in law from Newcastle University, UK, a LL.M (distinction) from Durham University and a PhD in Law from Durham University, which she received a Durham Law School scholarship to complete. Fiona's PhD thesis focused on the problem of a lack of privacy rights on the internet circa 2020 and explored whether the 'right to be forgotten' in the GDPR posed a solution. She is the author of a number of articles on the topic of privacy law in the age of the internet; her work has been published in specialist journals (such as the Journal of Internet Law) as well as world-leading legal generalist journals the Law Quarterly Review and the Northern Ireland Legal Quarterly. Fiona's pieces have focused on the intersection between data protection law in the UK, human rights and English tort law (private law): namely 'misuse of private information' and defamation law. She is currently penning a book on personality rights in the digital age alongside Dr Patrick O'Callaghan (UCC). Fiona is also involved in high-level knowledge transfer activities relating to data protection law; she has recently written a briefing paper alongside Prof Nic Ryder (Cardiff) and Dr Sam Bourton (UWE) on information exchange, data

protection and financial crime. In November, this paper formed background reading for the Bill Committee for the incoming Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill. She is an Editorial Board Member of the Journal of Economic Criminology.



Mr. Jun CHEN – PhD Candidate, CUHK Faculty of Social Sciences

Jun CHEN is an advocate of art & tech, trained as a computer engineer at college, received his MA from CUHK in Culture Studies, spent one research year at UAB Barcelona. CHEN has worked in both tech and art sectors around the globe, curated exhibitions in mainland China, Hong Kong and Singapore. He has published articles in *Imaginist*, *Artron*, *MIND*, *Asia Pacific Law Review*, etc. CHEN is now a Doctor candidate at CUHK, Faculty of Social Science, researching on technology influenced identity issues, especially via the lens of digital art. He is also initiating an art & tech experimental project in Chengdu.



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Dr. Danny Friedmann is Assistant Professor at Peking University School of Transnational Law in Shenzhen. Friedmann has a PhD in Laws from the Chinese University of Hong Kong; an LLM (including LLB) of the University of Amsterdam; and a BBA of Nyenrode Business University, Breukelen, the Netherlands.

In 2021, he wrote the chapter on Trademark Law and Related Rights (which include GIs, enterprise and trade names, and domain names) and co-authored the introduction for the 2nd edition of ‘Intellectual Property Law in China’ edited by Christopher Heath, which is part of the Max Planck Series on Asian Intellectual Property Law; and co-edited/co-authored the introduction/authored a chapter in the book ‘Wine Law and Policy, From National Terroirs to a Global Market’, with Julien Chaisse and Fernando Dias Simões in 2020, which has won the International Organisation of Vine and Wine (OIV) prize

2021.

In 2015 he wrote a monograph called ‘Trademarks and Social Media, Towards Algorithmic Justice’. His peer-reviewed articles are published by Journal of Intellectual Property Law and Practice (Oxford University Press), European Intellectual Property Review, Benelux Trade Marks and Design Rights (BMM) Bulletin and GRUR Int. Friedmann is member of the editorial board of JIPLP since 2015.

Friedmann’s book chapter on Google and China was quoted by the Advocate General of the Court of Justice of the European Union in Google Spain C-131/12 in 2013.

In May 2019 he delivered the *Jean Monnet Seminar* at the University of Macau. In October 2017 he was a visiting scholar at the University of Macau. Friedmann was invited as International Guest Speaker of the EU Centre for Global Affairs at the University of Adelaide in October 2016, and *Castetter* Visiting Scholar at California Western School of Law in San Diego, in July 2016. He is a Principal Commentator and External Examiner at the University of Macau since 2016.

Friedmann also publishes in media, such as IP Kat, IP-Watch, SCMP. His blog is called IP Dragon, which he founded in 2005.



Prof. Steven GALLAGHER – Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), CUHK LAW

Steven Gallagher teaches equity and trusts, and property law at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. In 2013, Steven introduced the Principles of Art, Antiquities, Cultural Heritage and the Law course to the LLM programme. Steven’s publications include articles in international journals and texts on a variety of subjects. His most recent books are *Equity and Trusts in Hong Kong* (2020), *Protecting Built Heritage in Hong Kong* (2021), and *The Law of Unjust Enrichment in Hong Kong* (second edition, 2022). Steven has presented over 200 continuing professional development

seminars for solicitors in Hong Kong on topics including property law, art, antiquities, cultural heritage and the law, and technology and law. Steven's research interests include property law, art law, and the legal issues that arise with the interaction of art and technology. Steven was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2006. In 2018, Steven was selected as one of the first arbitrators for the Court of Arbitration for Art (CAfA), The Hague.



Prof. Gregory S. GORDON – Professor, CUHK LAW

Gregory S. Gordon is a Professor at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) Law Faculty. He formerly served as CUHK Law's Associate Dean (Development/External Affairs) and Director, Research Postgraduates Programme. Prior to joining CUHK, Professor Gordon was a tenured faculty member at the University of North Dakota (UND) School of Law and Director of the UND Center for Human Rights and Genocide Studies. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree (summa cum laude) and Juris Doctor at the University of California at Berkeley. He then served as law clerk to U. S. District Court Judge Martin Pence (D. Haw.). He has served with the Office of the Prosecutor for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, as Legal Officer and Deputy Team Leader for the landmark "Media cases", the first international post-Nuremberg prosecutions of radio and print media executives for incitement to genocide. For this work, Professor Gordon received a commendation from Attorney General Janet Reno for "Service to the United States and International Justice". He later worked for the US Department of Justice, including the Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training, and the Criminal Division's Office of Special Investigations. He is a leading expert on incitement to genocide and his book *Atrocity Speech Law: Foundation, Fragmentation, Fruition*, proposing a new paradigm for international hate speech law, was published by Oxford University Press in 2017. In 2018, he received the Chinese University's Research Excellence Award.



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Dr Luke D. GRAHAM is a Lecturer in Law (Public Law & Human Rights) at the University of Manchester, UK. His research focuses on Human Rights, in particular, he focuses on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. He has published, *inter alia*, in the International Journal of Human Rights, the Journal of Human Rights Practice, and his first book *International Human Rights Law and Destitution: An Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Perspective* (based on my PhD) was published in August 2022.



Prof. Stuart HARGREAVES – Associate Professor, CUHK LAW

Prof. Hargreaves joined the Faculty in 2013 following the completion of his doctorate in law at the University of Toronto, where his thesis considered the privacy and legal implications of new mapping technologies that record public space for commercial purposes. It was supported by a major grant from the Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council. Prof. Hargreaves also holds a BCL from Oxford University, where his dissertation considered the interaction between proposed privacy standards in APEC and EU laws regulating the outward flow of personal data to non-European states. He also holds a JD from Osgoode Hall Law School and a BA in politics & sociology from McGill University.

Prior to joining CUHK, Prof. Hargreaves taught at Osgoode Hall Law School, worked as a policy advisor to the Canadian Internet Policy & Public Interest Clinic, and practiced law for the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General in the constitutional law & policy branch. His areas of research and teaching reflect this background, with a dual focus on information & privacy law and constitutional law & legal theory. He welcomes discussions with LLB or JD students who are interested in writing independent research papers on those topics; prospective PhD students should, however, follow the established application procedures rather than contacting him directly with a

proposal.

Prof. Hargreaves was Director of the LLB & Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Studies from 2015-2019, and won the Faculty's Teaching Excellence award in 2017. He is external reviewer for a number of academic journals, a judge for the Undergraduate Awards (law category), an examiner for the overseas PCLL Conversion Examination, and sits on the Board of Advisors of Teach for Hong Kong.



Prof. Tianxiang HE – Assistant Professor, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong

Prof. Tianxiang He (China P. R. 1984) is Assistant Professor at the School of Law, City University of Hong Kong. Prof. He holds an LL.B. degree (Huaqiao University, China, 2007) and a Master degree in International Law (Jinan University, China, 2009). Prof. He received his degree of Ph.D. in IP law at Maastricht University (the Netherlands, 2016), where he was Researcher at the Department of International and European Law, and Ph.D. Fellow at Institute for Globalization and International Regulation (IGIR), and another Ph.D. degree in Criminal Law at Renmin University of China (2017).

From August 2012 to July 2013, Prof. He worked in the Research Center of for the Legal Systems of Intellectual Property of Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan as a visiting researcher. In Europe, the Ius Commune Research School conferred to him an Honorable Mention in the Ius Commune Prize 2014.

As of 1st August 2016, Prof. He is working as the LLM Programme Associate Director, Assistant Professor in School of Law, City University of Hong Kong. Prof. He is also acting as an Associate Member of IGIR, Maastricht University. Prof. He is the author of the book *Copyright and Fan Productivity in China: A Cross-jurisdictional Perspective*. Prof. He's articles appeared in top journals such as *American Journal of Comparative Law*, *Queen Mary Journal of Intellectual Property*, *Journal of the Copyright Society of the U.S.A.*, *Computer Law & Security Review*, *The University of Illinois Journal of Law, Technology & Policy*, *Hong Kong Law Journal* and *Asia Pacific*

Law Review. Prof. He is currently on the editorial board of the *Chinese Journal of Comparative Law (CJCL)* published by Oxford University Press.



Prof. Queenie LAI – Associate Dean (Teaching and Learning) and Associate Professor of Practice in Law, CUHK LAW

Professor Queenie Lai currently serves as Associate Dean of Teaching and Learning of CUHK Faculty of Law. She formerly served as the Deputy Programme Director of the Postgraduate Certificate of Laws (PCLL) Programme.

Professor Lai specialises in teaching corporate practice and is the course leader for a range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses, including Corporate Finance, and Writing and Drafting Commercial Documents (Mergers & Acquisitions). Over the years, she has taught many subjects in the Bachelor of Laws, Master of Laws and Postgraduate Certificate of Laws Program including Commercial Practice, Public Listed Companies and the Law, Business and the Law in Hong Kong and Professional Practice.

Prof. Lai was selected by the Pro Vice-Chancellor and awarded the CUHK Faculty of Law’s inaugural [Excellent Teacher Award](#) in recognition of her commitment to excellence in teaching in 2015. She received the CUHK Faculty of Law [Teaching Excellence Award](#) again in 2018.

Prof. Lai is also the Principal Investigator of the “[Simulated Clients in Professional Legal Education](#)” project, awarded a teaching grant of HK\$459,250 for the 2016-2019 triennium by the University Grants Committee.

Prior to joining CUHK in 2010, Prof. Lai practiced as a corporate finance lawyer at leading international law firm Clifford Chance’s various offices including Hong Kong, Shanghai and London. She assisted Chinese and multinational corporate clients on cross-border mergers and acquisitions and participated in a variety of initial public offerings in Hong Kong. She also has experience with Clifford Chance’s London leading private equity group and

advised major international private equity houses on its various acquisitions and disposals in Europe.

Due to her innate interest in teaching and training, Prof. Lai joined Slaughter & May, London as Legal Corporate Training Manager, where she had overall responsibility for firmwide corporate training. Prof. Lai also has experience with an investment bank in Hong Kong where she provided tailor-made fundraising solutions to various corporate clients from a range of industries in the region.

Prof. Lai received her Bachelors and Masters of Arts in Law degree from the University of Cambridge and was a Cambridge Commonwealth Trust Scholarship award recipient. She also received her Masters of Law degree with Distinction from the Georgetown University as a Rotary International Scholar. She studied at United World College of South East Asia, Singapore with full scholarship and is also an alumna of Diocesan Girls' School, Hong Kong.

Prof. Lai has studied and practiced in Cambridge, Hong Kong, Singapore, London, Washington D.C., and Shanghai. She was admitted as a Solicitor in the High Court of Hong Kong and as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales.



Dr. Joseph LEE – Reader in Corporate and Commercial Law, University of Manchester Law, UK

Dr Joseph Lee is a reader in corporate and financial law at the University of Manchester School of Law. He is author of the book *Crypto-Finance, Law and Regulation: Governing an Emerging Ecosystem* and the editor of the book *Data Governance in AI, FinTech and RegTech*. He has written extensively in the area of fintech law, including on the application of blockchain in the energy markets and the deployment of AI/data analytics to enhance ESG. His forthcoming monograph explores the use of DAOs in Web3 as an innovative form of collaboration and sharing. He is a member of the LawTech Advisory Council of the Astana International Financial Centre and co-lead of the Manchester LawTech Initiative. He is the programme

director of University of Manchester Worldwide LLM in International Commercial and Technology Law. Dr Lee is Principal Investigator of a funded research project with Professor Jyh-an Lee, Centre for Legal Innovation and Digital Society of the Chinese University of Hong Kong; Principal Investigator of the British Council Going Global Project on Digital Governance with Professor Dai Long, Director of International Economic Law, Chinese University of Political Science and Law; and a co-convenor of the Forum of Innovative Finance and Digital Governance with Professor Aline Darbellay, University of Geneva. He is currently developing a policy paper for digital assets in accounting, funded by the UK Research Council, with the UK Endorsement Board of the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills. He has held a number of visiting positions including at KU Leuven, the Judicial Academy of Thailand, Tokyo University, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and National Taiwan University. He is also an attorney-at-law of New York State. He speaks Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, French and Italian.



Prof. Jyh-An LEE – Professor and Executive Director, Centre for Legal Innovation & Digital Society, CUHK LAW

Jyh-An Lee is Professor, Executive Director of the Centre for Legal Innovation and Digital Society, and Outstanding Fellow of the Faculty of Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Professor Lee holds a J.S.D. from Stanford Law School and an LL.M from Harvard Law School. He been featured on ABC News, BBC News, Bloomberg News, Financial Times, Fortune, Wall Street Journal, and South China Morning Post as an expert on intellectual property and Internet law. His works have been cited by the US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, UK High Court of Justice, and the US International Trade Commission.



Mr. Rougang LI – PhD student, the University of Manchester, UK

Rougang Li is a PhD student in the University of Manchester, with research interests in legal issues on blockchain and corporate governance. His research focus on blockchain and corporate governance. His dissertation explores the legal framework for blockchain and decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs) and examines the potential for using blockchain as a regulatory or supervisory technology for conventional corporations by evaluating the evolution of blockchain and DAOs.



Prof. Eliza MIK – Assistant Professor, CUHK LAW

Dr. Eliza Mik has joined the Faculty of Law in January 2021. Prior to that she was researching and teaching at the Singapore Management University from January 2010 until December 2018, and then at Melbourne Law School throughout 2019. Before joining academia, she worked in-house for a number of software and telecommunications companies in Australia, Poland, Malaysia and the United Arab Emirates. She advised on software licensing, technology procurement, digital signatures, and e-commerce regulation. Her PhD focused on the private law aspects of e-commerce and on general problems of transaction automation. From 2014, she has actively researched smart contracts and blockchains, with a special emphasis on the legal prerequisites of their successful implementation in mainstream commerce. Eliza has advised the World Bank and the Monetary Authority of Singapore. At present, she is a member of the UNCITRAL Expert Group for the Digital Economy, a member of the Inclusive Global Legal Innovation Platform on ODR (iGLIP, Hong Kong), a Research Associate at the Tilburg Institute for Law, Society and Technology (TILT, Netherlands) and an Affiliate Researcher with the Centre for AI and Digital Ethics at the University of Melbourne (CAIDE, Australia).



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Mr. Karma POCKET – Founder of 8DAO

Karma Pocket (Jacky Zhang) is founder of 8DAO. It's a web3 community supports and invests creators and founders in the web3 ecosystem. He had successful experience in founding internet startup in the past. He's a cryptocurrency investor and NFT collector. He holds a bachelor degree in political science and economics from University of Toronto and a master degree in non-profit management from University of Hong Kong. Previously, he was invited by some media including Viu TV in Hong Kong to present the development of DAO.



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Ernest is an English Barrister who practised at the Bar in London. Ernest has over fifteen years of experience in Higher Education and has taught in China, London, Malaysia and Singapore. He has received two Lord Dearing Awards (Excellence in Teaching 2017 and Excellence in Educational Leadership 2020) from the University of Nottingham and the Zhejiang Municipal Excellent Teacher Award (2018). Ernest is a Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, United Kingdom. He is an examiner for several institutions, including the University of London.

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Dr. Dicky Tsang is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. His main research areas are private international law and company law. His work has appeared in a number of leading international journals, including the Virginia Journal of International Law, the Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law and multiple articles in the Journal of Private International Law.

Prior to joining academia, he practised as a corporate finance lawyer at two leading international law firms, working in their New York, London, Hong Kong, Beijing and Shanghai offices. He is admitted to practice in the state of New York, England & Wales and Hong Kong.

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Prof. Lutz-Christian Wolff is Wei Lun Professor of Law and Dean of the Faculty of Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. After several years of studying, doing research and working in Shanghai, Taipei, Düsseldorf, Beijing, New York and Frankfurt he has been based in Hong Kong since 1999. Prof. Wolff specializes in Chinese and international business law, private international law and comparative law. His most recent work includes: *The Law of Cross-border Business Transactions – Concepts, Principles, Skills*, 2nd ed. (2017); *Mergers & Acquisitions in China – Law and Practice*, 5th ed. (2015); *From a ‘Small Phrase with Big Ambitions’ to a Powerful Driver of Contract Law Unification? – China’s Belt and Road Initiative and the CISG* -, 34 (Part 1) *Journal of Contract Law* (2017), 50; *AI ante portas – the End of Comparative Law?*, Vol. 7/2 *The Chinese Journal of Comparative Law* (2019), 484; *The Relationship between Contract Law and Property Law*, Vol. 7/3 *Common Law World*

Review (2020), 31. Prof. Wolff is also the editor of *China Outbound Investments* (2011 – Chinese translation 2012) and co-editor (with Prof. Xi Chao) of *Legal Dimensions of China's Belt and Road Initiative* (2016).



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