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COURSES AND FACULTY

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COURSES

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Law and Economics on Shipping Logistic– 1 credit

Marine Environmental Law and Policy– 1 credit

East Asia and International Law of the Sea– 1 credit

FACULTY

Prof. Kuen-chen FU, Xiamen University Law School: International Law of the Sea and The South China Sea

Prof. Kevin LI, HK Polytech University: Law and Economics on Shipping Logistic

Dr. Owen Tang, HK Polytech University: Law and Economics on Shipping Logistic

Prof. WANG Xi, Shanghai Jiao Tong University Law School: Marine Environmental Law and Policy

Prof. Lee, Seokwoo, INHA University Law School, KOREA: East Asia and
International Law of the Sea

Prof. Kuen-chen FU

Professor of Xiamen University Law School
B.L. and M.L., National Taiwan University Department of Law
LL.M. and S.J.D., University of Virginia School of Law

He has been a visiting scholar of University of Washington School of Law and of the Law School of Hong Kong City University. Prof. Fu teaches International Law of the Sea and Anglo-American Law of Contracts at the Xiamen University Law School. He has helped establish the Xiamen University Center for Oceans Policy and Law (XMU-COPL), and has served as the director of the Center. He is the chief editor of the China Oceans Law Review (COLR), and a guest chair professor of the Chinese Academy of Social Science (CASS) International Law Center, and of the Shanghai Fisheries University. Prof. Fu has authored or co-authored more than 22 books and more than 60 articles published in China, Chinese Taiwan, Japan, North America or Europe. He has also served as an observer for the International Law Association (ILA) in the United Nations Legislative Conference for the 1995 Fish Stocks Agreement, and has served as legal advisor for the authorities in Chinese Taiwan and the Marshall Islands.

Prof. Kevin LI

Work experience

Date	Position	Institution
9/2005-7/2008	Associate Head	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
5/2005-	Associate Professor	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
11/2003-4/2005	Assistant Professor	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
8/2001-10/2003	Lecturer	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
11/1998-5/2001	Claims Handler	London P&I Club (A Bilbrough & Co Ltd)
10/1988-11/1994	Economist, Legal Advisor	The Ministry of Communications
8/1982-9/1986	Lecturer	Nanjing Maritime College, China

Education qualification

1/1997-9/2000 PhD, Maritime Law & Policy—— University of Wales at Cardiff,

UK

11/1994-9/1996 MSc, Shipping Management — — World Maritime University,
Sweden

9/1986-7/1988 LLM, International Economic Law — — Shanghai Maritime University

9/1978-7/1982 BSc, Maritime Studies — — Shanghai Maritime University, China

Editor and Reviewer

1/1/2009 - Editor of Maritime Policy & Management.

1/1/2008 - 31/12/2008 Associate Editor of Maritime Policy & Management.

1/1/2006-31/12/2007 Regional Advisor of Maritime Policy & Management.
journal focusing on maritime research based in London).

Professional membership

Date Professional Organisation

2007- The Chamber of Hong Kong Logistics Industry, Member

2001- International Association of Maritime Economists (IAME), Member

2001- Hong Kong Maritime Law Association (HKMLA), Member

1992- China International Law Society (CILS), Member

1990- China Maritime Law Association (CMLA), Member

Dr. Owen Tang

Academic Background

J.D. University of W Los Angeles, US, Law, 1998

B.A. York University, Canada, Public Administration

Other University of Sydney, Australia, Conversion Program to Australian Lawyer

Work Experience

Academic Experience

Tutor, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (2005 - Present).

Legal Experience

Legal Researcher & Legal Executive, One Stop Legal Centre (California) (1998 -
2000).

Paid Service

2008: Pilot Association, The LGT Department has obtained a training contract for the Pilot Association of Hong Kong. The offered subjects satisfy the license renewal requirement of the licensed pilots. I responsible for developing the teaching materials and delivering the subject titled Legal Aspects for Pilotage.

Other Teaching Activities

Course (Existing) - Compensated Redesign

2008 - LGT 4016 (Maritime Law) is an advanced legal subject designed for students who took the Carriage by Sea Law and Marine Insurance. Dr. Kevin Li is the subject designer, and I am the delivery lecturer. The subject is review externally by the Hong Kong Marine Department.

2008 - LGT 5011 (Admiralty Law) is a master level subject co-teaching with Dr. Kevin Li

2007 - LGT 3503 (Intermodal Operation).

Course (New) - Creation/Delivery: Conventional

2007 - LGT 5011 (Admiralty Law) is a master level subject.

Prof. WANG Xi

Professor of Shanghai Jiaotong University Law School

He is Associate Dean of the Law School, and Director of the Environmental and Resources Law Institute, of Shanghai Jiaotong University. He is a leading environmental law scholar in China.

He is a member of the Academic Committee of the Key Institute of Education Ministry of P.R.C for the Field of Environmental Law. He is a Vice Chairman of the Chinese Society of Environmental and Resources Law. He served as a Deputy Public Prosecutor General of Hubei Province from 2000-2002. He is a member of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference. He received B.A degree from Wuhan Normal College in 1981. He graduated from the Law School of Wuhan University in 1984 (M.L.) and from Washington University Law School in 1987 (M.J.S). He got Ph.D. in Law from Wuhan University Law School in 2000. In addition to teaching, he has provided legal consultation on environmental law for Chinese national and local legislatures and international organizations. He has been invited visiting professor and conference participants by environmental law institutions in North America, Europe, Australia, Southeast Asia

and Africa. His major publications include a university textbook International Environmental Law, a book on Environmental Law of USA and the Volume of Environmental Law of China, the International Encyclopedia of Laws published by Kluwer Law International in 2006.

PROF. LEE, SEOKWOO (D.PHIL.)
INHA UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, KOREA

Selected Research/Teaching Experience:

- College of Law, InHa University, Korea | 2003.03-Present | Professor of International Law
- INHA Int'l Ocean Law Centre, INHA University, Korea | 2003.03-Present | Director
- Graduate School of Law and Politics, University of Tokyo, Japan | 2002.07-2003.06 | Visiting Research Scholar
- East Asian Legal Studies Program (EALS), Harvard Law School, USA | 2001.04-2002.06 | Visiting Scholar
- Georgetown University Law Center, USA | 2001.02-05 | Visiting Researcher
- Asian Studies Centre, St. Antony's College, University of Oxford, UK | 2000.10-2001.11 | The Wai Seng Senior Research Scholar
- International Boundaries Research Unit (IBRU), University of Durham, UK | 1999.09; 2000.03-04 | Visiting Researcher
- The Sigur Center for Asian Studies, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, USA | 1999.05-09 | Visiting Scholar

Education:

- Faculty of Law, University of Oxford, UK | D.Phil. in Public International Law (2001)
- New York University School of Law, USA | LL.M. in International Legal Studies (1998)
- Hague Academy of International Law, The Netherlands | Certificate (Private and Public International Law) (1996)
- University of Minnesota Law School, USA | LL.M. (1996)
- Korea University, Department of Law, Korea | LL.M. in Public International Law (1995)
- Korea University, Department of Law, Korea | LL.B. (1992)

Current Teaching:

- Undergraduate: Public International Law
- Graduate: The Law of Title to Territory; The Law of the Sea; The Law of Treaties; Dispute Settlement; International Law and the Use of Force; International Human Rights Law

Selected Academic/Professional Membership:

- Development of International Law in Asia (DILA), The Hague, The Netherlands | 2006.08-2012.08 | Member, Governing Board of the Foundation

CALENDAR

The 2009 summer course schedule is as follows:

June 27-28

Registration

June 28,evening	Opening reception
June29-July2	International Law of the Sea and The South China Sea
July3	Examination
July6-July9	Law and Economics on Shipping Logistic
July10	Examination
July13-July16	Marine Environmental Law and Policy
July17	Examination
July20-July23	East Asia and International Law of the Sea
July24	Examination
June 24,evening	Closing course banquet

FEES

Non-refundable application fee: US\$50(RMB ¥ 350)

Tuition:

US\$370 (RMB ¥ 2600) for 4 credits of instruction (includes course tuition, instructional fees and materials)

Room and tours:

US\$1000 (RMB ¥ 7000) (includes hotel standard room – **With your own room**, breakfast, field visits, a package of guided tours to local attractions, opening reception and closing banquet).

Total:

US\$ 1370 (RMB ¥ 9600) for 4 credits (not includes the nonrefundable application fee of US\$50)

Account:

We can only accept US dollars or Chinese RMB. (Sorry, we can not accept checks of any kind.) **All payment from abroad should be wired to “Xiamen University”:**

Paying Bank: BANK OF CHINA XIAMEN BRANCH

Beneficiary's A/C No: 8400 6241 450 8093001

Beneficiary's Name: XIAMEN UNIVERSITY

Beneficiary's Address in CHINA: Xiamen University, Xiamen, Fujian 361005,
CHINA

Remittance Route (SWIFT): BKCHCNBJ73A

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户名: 厦门大学

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Course and Fee changing Policy:

We reserve the rights to change courses and fees with insufficient enrollment and other unthinkable situations.

APPLICATION

★ Application Procedures:

To apply, please do the following:

1. Fill out the application at the end of this brochure or online at the Marco Polo–
ZHENG He Academy website: www.copl.info or www.xmuopl.com;
2. Remit a non-refundable application fee of US\$50 to Xiamen University;
3. Send a letter of good academic standing from your graduate school, law firm or
institution;
4. Send a letter of recommendation from one professor at your school;
5. Send a copy of English fluency certification;
6. Send a legible photocopy of the first page of your passport;
7. Send emergency contact numbers;
8. Enclose a current resume;
9. By date of final payment, show proof of registration with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of
your country for your travel in China during the program.

★ Application deadline: **May 30, 2009**

Applications must be received on or before this date. Complete applications are reviewed for admission to courses by the teaching faculty. Incomplete applications, those without an application fee, or applications lacking supporting documents or a signature, will not be reviewed.

Notes:

*Applicants should be certificated with English fluency (as measured by TOEFL or similar evaluations).

*Classes are arranged from 8:30 a.m. to 12:20 a.m. plus some afternoon field visits.

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★ Mail Address:

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(Please complete and mail this form to the address above, or e-mail it to
xmuoffice@gmail.com or copl@xmu.edu.cn Or you may fax it to + (86 - 592) -218 7781.)

★ Any Questions?

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BACKGROUND

**Xiamen — The Ancient Harbor Where Marco Polo Started His
Journey Back Home to Venice**



Xiamen, on the southeastern coast of China, to the west of Taiwan Strait, is a well-known, scenic port city commonly known as the "Garden on the Sea" and the

"Glittering Pearl on the Sea". Dubbed "China's coziest city", Xiamen has a pleasant climate, picturesque views and clean and tidy environment. In 2002, Xiamen received the Gold Medal at the "International Nations in Bloom" (Now "The International Awards for the Most Livable City") competition in Stuttgart, Germany. Domestic awards have included "National Sanitary City", "National Garden City", "National Model City for Environmental Protection", "National Excellence in Tourism" and "National Top 10 Most Livable Cities". In March 2005, it was ranked 9th among 200 Chinese cities for its comprehensive strength. Natural Geography Xiamen is situated on the southeast coast of Fujian Province, and planted smack in the mouth of the Jiulong (Nine Dragons) River, so in ancient times she was called Xia Men (Amoi), or "lower gate (to the sea)." Inevitably, Xiamen became a haven for pirates and merchants (roughly the same occupation). Eventually the name was amended to the present Xia Men (厦门), or "Mansion Gate," which also means "Gate to China". It lies at 118° 04' 04" east longitude and 24°26' 46" north latitude. It is 695 nautical miles south of Sanghai, 287 nautical miles north of Hong Kong, 162 nautical miles from Taipei. At the back of Xiamen lies the Zhangzhou and Quanzhou Plain, and facing Xiamen across the Taiwan Strait are Taiwan Island and Penghu Islands. In the 1950's, serious Chinese civil war between Chinese Communists and KMT once blocked daily communication between Xiamen (Amoi) Island and Jinmen (Quemoy) Island, which is only 1800 meters away from Xiamen, and is still under Chinese Taiwan's jurisdiction today. Today's Xiamen and Jinmen is the bridge between China Mainland and China Taiwan.

The topography of Xiamen is characterized by a gradual descent from the south to the north, with the northwestern part being relatively flat and the southern part mountainous and hilly. The Xiamen Harbor, which is a harbor of the strait type, has a coastal line that zigzags to 234 kilometers. It is a natural haven with deep water that is ice-free all the year round. The best overall weather in China, combined with one of the world's best natural deep-water harbors, has helped rank Xiamen's 81 berth port in China's top ten.

Climate

Xiamen has a subtropical climate. It is generally mild and temperate. It has an average annual temperature of approximately 21°C. Winter in Xiamen is not shivery while summer is free from extreme heat. The city has an average annual rainfall of about 1200mm, mainly concentrated on the months from May to August.

Scenic Spots and Historical Sites

For its irresistible beauty Xiamen is described as Garden on the Sea whose attractiveness is comparable to the famous Hawaii. It is also called Egret Island for it provides the habitat for white egrets. Xiamen has numerous parks, hills, waters, temples and gardens that comprise a most adorable picture. Its unique folk customs, celebrities well known at home and abroad and the many historical sites are magnetic to visitors. Among the most popular tourist destinations are Gulangyu Island, Wanshi

Botanic Garden, thousand-year-old Nanputuo Temple, Jimei Schools built by Mr. Tan Ka Kee (a famous overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia in the first half of the 20th century), Ciji Palace, Huli Hill Fort where the world's oldest shore cannon is displayed and the hometown of Mr. Su Song (a scientist living in the Song Dynasty) Marco Polo's mystical, magical port of Zaytun (Quanzhou). Quanzhou (which Marco Polo called Zaitan) is a 70 mile drive north of Xiamen. Over 1,000 years ago, Xiamen was part of Quanzhou, the starting point of the Maritime Silk Road, and prospered. Over 1,000 years before Christ, the West valued Chinese silk more highly than gold. One ship started from Zaitan could carry as much silk as 700 cantankerous camels on the Silk Road of the Desert. Marco Polo, who sailed for home from Quanzhou, claimed it rivaled Alexandria Egypt as the planet's largest and busiest port.

Special Economic Zone

In Oct 1980, Xiamen was empowered by the State Council of P.R.C. to establish special economic zone, which is one of the first group of SEZs approved by the State. In March 1988, Xiamen was approved by the State Council as a city under independent state planning and was granted provincial-level authority in economic administration. From May 1989 to 1993, the State Council granted its approvals for Xiamen to establish Taiwanese Investment Zones respectively in Haicang, Xinglin and Jimei Districts. In March 1994, Xiamen was empowered with local legislative power by the National People's Congress of P.R.C. As one of the few municipalities enjoying independent status in state economic planning, Xiamen enjoys provincial level autonomy and local legislative power in economic administration.

Culture

Xiamen has combined the long-standing traditional Minnan (Southern Fujian) culture with modern western culture. Its friendly citizens and delightful environment make Xiamen one of the best cities in the world, whether for working, living or studying. The blend of eastern and western culture you encounter as you wander through the city is of endless fascination.

Transportation and Communication

As one of the most advanced cities in China, Xiamen has developed fast and convenient means of transportation and communication. Its railway and highway systems, together with the international airport, connect Xiamen with other major cities at home and abroad. In terms of communication, the 2.5 G b/s wide-band internet, the GSM and CDMA mobile telephone networks and the all-digital program-controlled telephone network bring the city in close touch with other cities, regions and countries around the world.

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Xiamen University — The Most Beautiful Campus in China



Xiamen University was founded in 1921 by Tan Kah Kee, the well-known patriotic overseas Chinese leader honored by Chairman Mao Zedong as the "Standard of the Overseas Chinese and Glory of the Nation". It was the first university in China founded by an overseas Chinese. Ever since its foundation, the university motto of "Pursue excellence; strive for perfection" has inspired generations of Xiamen University people to conquer difficulties and strive hard for one glory after another. More than eighty years of hard work has earned Xiamen University the honorific title of "Strength of the South" and a distinguished reputation both at home and abroad. At present it is the only key comprehensive university directly affiliated with the Education Ministry in any of the five special economic zones and is one of China's higher-level universities designated for the state key construction of the "211 Project" and the "985 Project". Xiamen University is now making great strides towards its goal of "building a high-level university well-known both at home and abroad."

Campuses

In the past few years, the university has greatly improved its teaching and research facility and its public service system. At present, the university has 3 campuses, which cover a total area of about 8,000 mu. (One mu equals to 1/15 hectare.) Xiamen campus, located in the southern part of Xiamen Island, has an area of 2,500 mu. Zhangzhou campus has an area of 2,568 mu; and Jimei campus has an area of 2,800 mu. Situated at the foot of the green mountains, facing the blue sea and encircling Xiamen bay, the three campuses are set amidst picturesque scenery. At present, the university has residential space for students exceeding 1,300,000 square meters, a library holding 3,750,000 volumes of books, fixed assets with a total value of RMB1.5 billion; (Roughly eight RMB yuan equals to one US dollar.) and instruments and equipment for research and teaching worth RMB 579,000,000. The scope and level of its high-speed information network on campus is rated at the top of all universities in China .

Achievement

Over the past eighty-five years, as the result of painstaking efforts by several generations of faculty and graduates inspired by the school motto: Pursue Excellence; Strive for Perfection, Xiamen University has accumulated rich experience in offering its educational programs. The university presents its features as “a university in the Special Economic Zone, on the coast near Taiwan, and with close ties with overseas Chinese.” Following its fine tradition of "loving the motherland and the university", it has enjoyed a fine reputation both at home and abroad. Since its founding 85 years ago, over 140,000 students have graduated from the university, and over 50 academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) and the Chinese Academy of Engineering (CAE) have studied or worked at Xiamen University.

Academics

With its 18 schools containing 45 departments and a group of research institutes, Xiamen University, has become a comprehensive university providing a fairly complete range of programs of education in humanities, social science, natural science, engineering and technology, management, art education, medical science and law. Recently, the university has offered 70 undergraduate programs, 165 graduate programs, of which 6 are professional masters programs, and 100 Ph.D. programs, in addition to post-doctoral research centers set up in 12 first-class disciplines. At present, many subjects in the university have been proved to be excellent. 13 subjects have been assessed and awarded as “The National Key Disciplines”, and 65 subjects have been awarded as “The Provincial Key Disciplines”. In addition, 5 subjects (Chemistry, Biology, Life Science & Technology, Economics and History) have been

designated as “National Educational Centers for Talents”; eight more subjects were constructed as the state key disciplines in the "211 Project” during the period of the ninth five-year plan; and eleven other subjects are under construction as the state key disciplines in the "211 Project” during the period of the recently finished tenth five-year plan of the country.

Faculty

Xiamen University has over 4,900 staff, including 2,061 full-time faculty and professional researchers. Seventeen of them are academicians of CAS and CAE (8 academicians of CAS, 1 academician of CAE, and 8 adjunct academicians). Moreover, 7 faculty members of Xiamen University are seated in the State Council's Academic Degree Appraisal Committee. Among the full-time teachers and researchers, there are 1,252 professors and associate professors, including 337 doctoral supervisors; 820 holding a Ph.D. degree; and 786 returned scholars from overseas. Among the teachers below the age 45, 16 have obtained the "Science Grant for National Outstanding Youth" from the state; 8 have received the “Education Ministry Award for Excellent Young University Teacher”; 8 have been listed in the "One-hundred plus One-thousand plus Ten-thousand Talent Project”; 16 have been included in the Ministry of Education's training program for the "Leading Figure for the New Century"; 18 have been included in the Education Ministry first assistance program for “Outstanding Figures of the New Century. The university has set up distinguished professorships in 8 subjects supported by the "State Yangtze Scholar Award Program" and distinguished professorships in 4 subjects supported by "Min-jiang Scholar Award Program" in Fujian Province.

Inter-university Cooperative

Xiamen University has established inter-university cooperative ties with 89 institutions of higher education outside China Mainland. Responding to the challenge of higher educational globalization, Xiamen University has worked to speed up the level of cooperation with globally recognized outstanding universities. It is one of the original members of the "Global U7 Consortium". The "Global U7 Consortium" comprises Xiamen University and six other universities, including the University of Washington, the University of Rhode Island, Inha University, the University of Haifa, Le Havre University, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology. By establishing academic ties with 24 universities and colleges, 63 research institutes and 34 media outlets in Chinese Taiwan, Xiamen University has become one of the universities in China Mainland most actively engaged in educational, scientific, and cultural exchanges with Chinese Taiwan.

Xiamen University Law School

— One of the Top 10 Law Schools in Modern China



Xiamen University is one of the universities in China that started higher legal education at an early stage. In June 1926, the University established the Section of Law, under which there were three Departments, i.e., the Law Department, the Politics Department and the Economics Department. In February 1930, all the Sections of the University were converted to Colleges, and the Section of Law was consequently renamed as Law School. Having experienced several adjustments, the present Law School is organized on the basis of the original Law Department. Over the years since its re-opening in 1979, the Law School has attracted a pool of brilliant young and middle-aged scholars and teachers, which constitutes a strong, well-structured and everlasting teaching and research force. Presently, there are 61 full-time teachers in the Law School, including 18 professors and 19 associate professors. Particularly, two professors have been respectively selected into the National “Hundred, Thousand and Ten Thousand Talent Project” (the first and the second levels) and the “Trans-Century Talents Training Program” of the Ministry of Education.

Bearing in mind the University’s Motto of “Pursue Excellence, Strive for Perfection”, centering on talents cultivation, and following the goal of academic prosperity, the Law School has developed its own characteristics in disciplinary construction. At present, the School owns one postdoctoral program and five LL.D. programs, it also owns eight LL.M programs and one program of Juris Master (JM), among which International Law has been approved as the National Key Discipline and Civil & Commercial Law the Key Discipline of Fujian Province. The Projects of “Studies on International Economic Law and the Law of Taiwan, Hong Kong and

Macao” and “Studies on International Economic Law and Oceans Law” have successively been approved as key construction items of the National 211 Project. Presently, the School has 7 teaching & research sections: jurisprudence, constitution & administrative law, civil & commercial law, criminal law, economic law, procedural law and international law. In addition, the Law School has established the International Economic Law Institute, the Civil & Commercial Law Institute, the Roman Law Institute and the Center for Oceans Policy and Law, as well as the Center for JM Education and the Teaching & Experiment Center. The School has also published its own academic journals edited by several famous professors, i.e., Xiamen University Law Review, Journal of International Economic Law and Roman Law and Modern Civil Law, which have all received common recognition from the academia of China.

The Law School owns very good teaching facilities. The whole School occupies more than 10,000 square metres, among which 8,235 square metres are for capital construction of the buildings. The School owns an office building, two teaching buildings, multi-media classrooms and standardized case-study classrooms. Xiamen University Library not only owns an abundant collection of legal books and materials, but also introduced and developed some important databases of electronic journals (including LEXIS-NEXIS). In 1998, the University has specifically set up a law library as a branch of the Xiamen University Library, which has also been approved to be a UN depository library.

The Law School of Xiamen University was among the colleges in China that first began the teaching and research of International Economic Law. Over more than 20 years’ development, the comprehensive level of the discipline of International Economic Law has come to rank among the top in China. Particularly, in the fields of IEL basic theories, international investment law, international economic treaties and international economic organizations, international tax law and international economic disputes settlement, a large number of academic achievements have been developed with considerable influence both at home and abroad. The Law School also started its construction of Civil & Commercial Law at an early stage, with its research scope covering the main fields of civil and commercial law. Based on the theories of civil and commercial law and following the practice of China’s reform & opening and of the construction of market economy, it has developed its own characteristic research directions. Outstanding achievements have been developed in the fields of Civil Code and Roman Law, part of which is in the leading position in China.



Xiamen University Center for Oceans Policy and Law (XMU-COPL)

— One of the Leading Research Institutes in Asia for Oceans Policy and Law Studies

Established on 15 January 2002, XMU-COPL is now affiliated with the University's Law School and the Ocean and Coastal Development Institute (CODI). The Center offers consultation services irregularly to governmental agencies, NGOs, and commercial corporations on various subjects. Center members have a wide range of expertise and professional capabilities on ocean related subjects, e.g., marine zoning, maritime boundary delimitation, fishery business management, marine scientific research, shipping and navigation dispute settlement, marine environmental protection, integrated coastal zone management, under-water civil engineering, and cultural relics preservation ...etc. The Center offers the following services to both public and private sectors in the region: Analyzing and interpreting international and domestic law of the sea rules; Planning of ocean research and development strategies; Writing policy papers for ocean and coastal management; Designing marine environmental protection constructions; Drafting pertaining treaties or contracts; Drafting pertaining legislations; Legal services for pertaining litigations or arbitrations; and Training programs on the above subjects. In the past six years, with cooperation with more than fifteen ocean-oriented institutes from home and abroad, the Center has already finished many projects, and have sponsored or co-sponsored eleven important seminars or conferences in the field of international law and policy-making. At present, the Center has its LL.D. and LL.M. degree programs in the field of International Law of the Sea. More than this, it has been publishing the first and the

only oceans law journal in China, the China Oceans Law Review. The Director of the Center, Prof. Kuen-chen Fu serves as the chief-editor of this commonly acknowledged academic periodical.