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Principles of Asian Contract Law

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Cooperation and legislative rapprochement have become increasingly necessary in certain domains of the law. However, there has been very little movement in Asia towards seeking a common private law until now. Therefore, creating a uniform legal rule for regulating business transactions is a pressing issue. However, given the existing political difficulties between countries in Asia, it is more realistic to think of a gradual standardization through some "soft law" (private initiative not depending on politics) rather than unification based on a classic international treaty. Modeled on the existing PECL (Principles of European Contract Law) project, the PACL seeks to develop common principles in matters of contract law for Asian countries.



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at École normale supérieure (Paris) in March 2006 and at Paris II University (master course directed by Michel Grimaldi) in March 2008. He founded a private sector working group which brings together several legal scholars from Asian countries to elaborate common principles in matters of contract law.

For a selected List of Publications in English or French, see: <http://www.clb.law.mita.keio.ac.jp/kanayama/>.



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and women in the judiciary, and the question of the sources of law from a comparative perspective. Dealing with the expertise of Japan in the field of international cooperation, and focusing on translation as a new epistemological tool in comparative law, her research raises the question of a possible alternative approach to legal transplants.

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