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Moot Court 1005, Osgoode Hall Law School | Ignat Kaneff Building, York University

National Independence Movements & International Human Rights Law:

Perspectives from Taiwan



Recent declarations of independence after referenda in Kurdistan and Cataluña have again confronted the state system with the question of right of self-determination of peoples. For over 60 years the weight of international law has supported the right of the people of Taiwan to self-determination, while the realities of power have frustrated them.

SPEAKER: Stephen Lee Sheng-hsiung is Taiwan's most prominent human rights lawyer, serving as defense in sensitive political cases since the Martial Law prosecutions of the Kaohsiung Incident in 1980, as well as initiating campaigns outside the court to end martial law, end the blacklisting of dissidents. Active in the independence movement, he has also taken on many wrongful convicted and death row cases.

Discussant: Professor Craig Scott, Osgoode Hall Law School

All are welcome. Light lunch will be served, kindly RSVP at www.osgoode.yorku.ca/research/rsvp



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