FINAL CALL: ICON-S 2018 CONFERENCE IN HONG KONG

We are delighted to invite submissions to the 2018 Annual Conference of the International Society of Public Law ("ICON-S"), which will take place at the University of Hong Kong on June 25-27, 2018, under the auspices of the University of Hong Kong's Faculty of Law and its Centre for Comparative and Public Law. The event will also mark the beginning of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Faculty of Law of the University of Hong Kong. The theme of the conference is "Identity, Security, Democracy: Challenges for Public Law".

ICON-S (http://icon-society.org/) currently has 1,200 members; its annual conferences have attracted hundreds of participants from around the world, including distinguished scholars, jurists and policy-makers, younger researchers and graduate students, in all areas of public law -- including administrative law, constitutional law, international law, criminal law, immigration and citizenship law and human rights. The 2017 conference in Copenhagen was attended by nearly 900 participants. The upcoming conference in Hong Kong will feature an exciting plenary programme that can be found here: https://www.icon-society.org/2018-conference/programme_2018/

The conference organizers are now calling for papers to be presented at the conference's parallel sessions: https://www.icon-society.org/2018-conference/call_2018/ If you are interested in submitting an abstract for the conference, please note the following:

- The due date for submission of abstracts is **31 January 2018**.
- The language of the conference is **English**.
- Your presentation may relate to any aspect of public law, and need **not** be limited to the general theme of the conference, i.e. "Identity, Security, Democracy: Challenges for Public Law".
- Proposals for *fully-formed panels* are strongly encouraged, although individual papers are also acceptable. Panel proposals should include at least three papers by scholars who have agreed in advance to participate. Such fully-formed panel proposals should also identify one or two discussants, who may also serve as panel chair and/or paper presenter. Each concurrent session is 90 minutes. A panel proposal should include the name of the chair and/or discussant, the names of the presenters, the abstracts of each presentation, and a title and brief description of the topic of the panel.
- Submission of full papers is not required for the purpose of participating in this conference. (Presenters at parallel sessions need only submit abstracts and deliver an oral presentation at the parallel session.)
- To submit abstracts, please follow the procedures at this link: https://www.icon-society.org/login/?redirect_to=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.icon-society.org%2Fpapers-panels%2F In order to participate in the conference, you must register as a member of ICON-S. The membership fee covers the conference registration fee. It is US$50 for non-OECD countries and US$95 for OECD jurisdictions. (The Asian jurisdictions that are OECD countries are Korea and Japan.) See here for the list of OECD countries: http://www.oecd.org/about/membersandpartners/list-oecd-member-countries.htm

The conference will be an excellent occasion to meet old and new friends in public law to discuss topics of common interest. We hope you will be able to join us in Hong Kong!