

2. Family Law

The *Japan Association of Socio-Legal Studies on Family Law* held its 32nd Annual Meeting at Osaka University, Toyonaka Campus, on November 7, 2015.

1. Young Scholar's Colloquium:
"An Assessment of Contributions on German Law"
Yuuka Katsui (Associate Professor, Hiroshima University).

2. Symposium: "The Current Situation and Issues Concerning Inheritance for the Heir's Special Contribution"
 - (1) "Aim of the Symposium"
Junichi Kawa (Professor, Seijo University).
 - (2) "Current Situation of the Contribution System – Through Its Quantitative and Qualitative Shift in Judicial Decisions"
Noriki Kadohiro (Professor, Kokugakuin University).
 - (3) "An Introduction to Cases Related to Medical Care and Nursing"
Takae Itou (Lawyer, Osaka Bar Association).
 - (4) "Trends Found in Amendments of Succession Law —Focusing on Issues Around the Heir's Contribution—"
Atsumi Kubota (Professor, Kobe University).
 - (5) "Relation Between the Assessment of Contribution and Contract Making in Family Farm Management – Family Management Agreement"
Miyoshi Gojo (Associate Professor, Tokyo University of Agriculture).
 - (6) "Comment 1: From the Perspectives on the Practices of the Family Court"
Yasuyuki Muraoka (Lawyer, Osaka Bar Association).
 - (7) "Comment 2: From the Viewpoint of Korean Law"
Yangwhan Kim (Professor, Yamanashi Gakuin University).

3. Discussions

Moderators: Junichi Kawa (Professor, Seijo University), Toshiko Katayama (Lawyer, Osaka Bar Association).

4. Summing Up

Toshiko Katayama (Lawyer, Osaka Bar Association), Yoshio Shiomi (Professor, Kyoto University).

3. Law of Civil Procedure and Bankruptcy

The *Japan Association of the Law of Civil Procedure* held its 85th General Meeting at Meiji University on May 16 and 17, 2015.

Individual Reports (First Day & Second Day):

- (1) “The Historical Genealogy and Ground/Function of ‘the Principle of the Existing Amount’ in the Bankruptcy Proceeding”
Kazushi Sugimoto (Associate Professor, Chiba University)
- (2) “An Essay about the Substantive Consolidation in Combined Enterprises Insolvency Resolution”
Chun Jin (Associate Professor, Doshisha University)
- (3) “The Transmission of Determination for Arranging Issues—Why is it Difficult to Transmit a Court’s Determination to the Parties ?—”
Wataru Yao (Judge, Tokyo District Court)
- (4) “The Possibility of Expert Testimony by the Court’s Own Authority as an Interpretation Theory”
Hiroshi Shimizu (Professor, Toyo University)

Symposium (Second Day):

“Today’s Issue about Party’s Theory”

Coordinator: Hiroshi Yamamoto (Professor, Kobe University)

- (1) “The Capacity to be a Party and the Standing to Sue or to be Sued of an Association or Foundation which is not a Juridical Person”
Izuru Horino (Professor, Kyushu University)
- (2) Management of a Case where there is a Person who Disagrees with