Transnationalisation of Law and Finance

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Transnationalisation of financial law. What does it mean?

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We all know that we live in a globalising world and that financial markets and products increasingly operate in a universal market, but the law is behind and most practitioners still think in terms of national systems of law. Transnationalisation is the rational answer, but in how far can we, and is it safe, to rely on customary law, party autonomy, general principle or other sources of law? How can we know the applicable rules and what remains the room for domestic public (regulatory) policies or are there minimum regulatory standards? How will courts or international arbitrators react?

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Public Finance and the International Financial Architecture

Professor John Head
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Why is the great experiment in public financial transnationalisation that was undertaken following World War II now under attack? Professor Head will identify and assess a few key issues that face the World Bank and the IMF -- issues over voting, transparency, and more -- and then discuss what the current criticisms portend for these institutions and for the future of financial transnationalisation more generally.

Chairperson: Dr Douglas Arner, Director, AIIFL, HKU

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