

2025 AUTUMN ROUNDTABLE

KOREAN BRANCH OF THE INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION (ILA-KOREA)

DIGITAL INNOVATION AND ITS LEGAL AND DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

DATE | 31 OCTOBER, 2025 (FRIADY) 14:00-17:40

VENUE | INTERNATIONAL MEETING ROOM (2F), INHA UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, INCHEON, KOREA

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Innovative technologies such as AI have had a disruptive impact across multiple sectors, destroying conventional thinking while also creating new opportunities. This has also been the case in international development and international law. This roundtable brings together scholars and practitioners in these fields to discuss how technology is being harnessed to unlock new and exciting opportunities, but also the legal and development ramifications in the process of engaging and integrating such technologies.

Under this broad format, the ILA-Korea 2025 Autumn Roundtable is organized in two sections. The first brings together international organizations based in Korea to discuss how such innovative technologies have had generative as well as disruptive effects in development and international development practice. The second half of the roundtable invites scholars of international law to share their research as well as examine the international law ramifications of the integration of innovative and disruptive technologies.

The objective of the roundtable is not only to host a dialogue on this broad issue, but also link scholars and international organization colleagues working in Korea over shared interest to foster future collaboration and exchange in a structured yet semi-informal manner.

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14:00 – 14:10 **WELCOME**

- **Seokwoo LEE** (President, Korean Branch of the International Law Association (ILA-KOREA); Professor of International Law, Inha University Law School, Korea)
- **Won-Oh KIM** (Director of AI-Data Law Centre, Legal Institute and Professor, Inha University Law School, Korea)

14:10 – 15:40 **SESSION 1: INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

* 10-12 minutes for each presentation, 20 minutes Q&A and discussion for each session

► **MODERATOR**

- **Seokwoo LEE** (President, Korean Branch of the International Law Association (ILA-KOREA); Professor of International Law, Inha University Law School, Korea)

► **SPEAKERS**

- **Soo-hyun LEE** (Specialist, Global Policy Network and Sustainable Finance Hub, UN Development Programme; Assistant Professor of International Economic Law, University of Suwon)
: “UNDP SDG Investor Maps, the Digital Mapping of SDG-Aligned Investment Opportunities”
- **Prabin MAHARJAN** (Programme Management Expert, UN Department of Social and Economic Affairs)
: “Data Governance and the UNPOG”
- **Ganbold BAASANAV** (Head, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific)
: “Overview of Emerging Digital Technologies through the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Initiative and the Astana Ministerial Declaration on Digital Inclusion and Transformation in Asia and the Pacific”
- **Athita KOMINDR** (Head, Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific, UN Commission for International Trade Law)
: “Overview of UNCITRAL’s Work in Creating a Legally Enabling Environment for End-to-End Trade Digitalization”
- **Gülen NEWTON** (General Counsel, Green Climate Fund) with **Nastassja JARDIM** (Associate General Counsel, Institutional Practice Group); **Raj BAVISHI** (Associate General Counsel, Operational, Public Sector Projects and Readiness); **Karl UPTSON-HOOPER** (Associate General Counsel, Operational, Private Sector Projects)
: “Operationalizing Innovative Technologies in the Context of International Organizations”

15:40 – 16:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

16:00 – 17:30 **SESSION 2: ACEDEMIA**

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► **SPEAKERS**

- **Young-Kwan CHO** (Lawyer, Duksu Law Firm, Korea)
: “Challenges of Applying AI in Immigration and Refugee Status Determination Procedures”
- **Chan-Mo CHUNG** (Professor, Inha University Law School, Korea)
: “Data Portability, International Competition, and Digital Partnership Agreements”
- **WooJung JON** (Associate Professor, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), Korea)
: “Data Governance and Comparative Analysis of Consent Requirements”
- **Junha KANG** (Professor of Law, Hongik University College of Law, Korea)
: “AI and International Trade Law”
- **Gyoocho LEE** (Professor of Law, Chung-Ang University School of Law, Korea)
: “Extraterrestrial Application of AI Framework and Copyright in the Republic of Korea”
- **Jihyun PARK** (Professor of Law, Youngsan University Department of Law, Korea)
: “Examining False Positives and False Negatives in AI Profiling”

17:30 – 17:40 **WRAP-UP**

- **Seokwoo LEE** (President, Korean Branch of the International Law Association (ILA-KOREA); Professor of International Law, Inha University Law School, Korea)
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17:40 – 20:00 **POST-EVENT DINNER AND NETWORKING**

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