

2019 ECLS Annual Conference Call for Papers

The 14th Annual Conference of the European China Law Studies Association (ECLS/www.ecls.eu) will be held in Durham in the United Kingdom from 26 to 28 July 2019. The conference will be hosted and organised by [Durham Law School](#) (Durham University) and its newly established [Centre for Chinese Law and Policy](#) (CCLP).

The ECLS was founded in 2006 and its members are dedicated to the ECLS's goal of advancing comparative and interdisciplinary research on Chinese law. The ECLS annual conference is a leading international academic forum for the exchange of information and ideas on Chinese law, as well as a platform for the initiation of research collaboration. Each year, the conference will gather a large number of scholars, professionals and policy makers from around the world to discuss Chinese law and policies. It has turned into a major international event for scholars and practitioners who are engaged in the study of Chinese law, from both comparative and interdisciplinary perspectives

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The 2019 ECLS Annual Conference will highlight legal issues relating to:

- *China's new structure of Party and state*
- *Sino-US trade war and its legal implications for Europe*
- *National supervision law and the new supervisory mechanism*
- *New developments in China's judicial reforms*
- *Information technology, big data and artificial intelligence*
- *Chinese law and society*
- *China in the international legal order*

Certainly, submissions are not confined to the topics above. The conference welcomes submissions that address a wide range of interdisciplinary issues concerning China's recent legal development.

We are very happy to announce the following confirmed keynote speakers for this annual conference:

- **Prof. Donald C. Clarke** (George Washington University Law School)
- **Prof. Fu Hualing** (Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong)

Guidelines for submission

Authors are invited to submit paper abstracts and panel proposals in English by **30 April 2019**. Abstracts and proposals should be limited to 300 words for a paper and 1,000 words for a panel. They should include: 1) the title of the paper or panel; 2) name, institution and email address of the author(s); 3) up to five keywords. The CCLP will cooperate with the ECLS in peer-reviewing the submissions. Decisions of either acceptance or rejection will be communicated by **30 May 2019**. Full papers should not exceed 6,000 words, and be produced by **15 July 2019**.

Submissions should be entered via the submission page "[The 2019 ECLS Annual Conference](#)". For enquiries concerning academic contents or visa issues, please contact Dr. Ge Chen at ge.chen@durham.ac.uk. Other enquiries such as those concerning logistics are to be addressed to Mr. Paul Zand at law.engagementofficer@durham.ac.uk.

Conference participants will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation costs. However, Durham University would be able to offer affordable college accommodation (B&B) at this stage (availability is limited). There will also be an optional three-course conference dinner served with wine on the night of July 27th (Saturday). Please indicate at your earliest convenience on the [conference registration site](#) whether you'd need college accommodation or conference dinner or both.



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