

Rule of Law in China: Chinese Law and Business
Judicial Independence and the Role of Courts in
Authoritarian Regimes
December 13-14 2007
Paris

In association with L'Institut des Hautes Études sur la Justice (IHEJ)
and Sciences Po

Workshop Programme

Thursday 13th December

- 17:30** **Opening Address:**
 'A New Approach to Judicial Integrity'
 Antoine Garapon, *Secrétaire général de l'IHEJ*
- 19:00** **Dinner**

Friday 14th December

- 9:00 – 9:30** **Opening Remarks**
 Antoine Garapon, *Secrétaire Général de l'IHEJ*
 John Adams, *Chairman, Foundation for Law, Justice & Society*
 Professor Denis Galligan, *Director of the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies,*
 University of Oxford
 Stephanie Balme, *Senior Research Fellow, Sciences Po*
- 9:30-10:20** Randall Peerenboom, *Foundation for Law, Justice & Society*
 'Judicial Independence in China: Theory and Practice, Challenges and
 Prospects'
- 10:20-11:15** Stéphanie Balme, *Sciences Po*
 'Independence in Chinese Local Courts'

11:15-11:30 Coffee

11:30-13:15 Fu Yulin, *Associate Professor of civil procedure and legal practice*
Qinghua University Law School
‘Judicial Independence, Judicial Corruption and Judicial Accountability:
Courts’ relation with Party, State, and Social Actors’

Keith Henderson, *Adjunct Professor, American University Law School*
‘International Best Practices as Applied to China: Lessons from Practical
Experiences in Foreign Projects to Reform and Strengthen the Court,
Improve Transparency, and Increase Independence’

13:15-14:45 Lunch

14:45-15:45 Comparative Views

Tom Ginsburg, *Professor of Law, University of Illinois*
‘Judicial Independence in comparative perspective, with focus on Asian
Countries’

Carlo Guarnieri, *Professor of Political Sciences, University of Bologna*
Judicial Independence in Authoritarian Regimes: Judging and Networking

Dr. Marina Kurkchiyan, *FLJS Foundation Fellow in Socio-Legal Studies,*
Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, University of Oxford
‘Comparisons to Eastern Europe’

15:45-16:00 Tea

16:15-17:15 Roundtable with Judges from the People’s Republic of China

17:15-17:45 Concluding Remarks

Summary from Stephanie Balme and Randall Peerenboom
Final round of comments from panelists
Final remarks from Antoine Garapon

17:45 Workshop Ends