Can We Move Beyond Disputes in the South China Sea?
Monday 1 August 2016

CB Newling Campus
University of New England
Armidale, NSW, Armidale
Inspired by the sea anemone and the clownfish, this roundtable explores symbiotic relationships that could be developed in the South China Sea.
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9:00 - 9:30 Coffee/Tea

9:30 - 9:45 Opening Session
Welcoming remarks: Professor Mark Lunney, Chair of Research Committee, School of Law, University of New England, Australia

Introduction: Dr Nengye Liu, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of New England, Australia

9:45 - 11:00 Is There a Super Rare Pokémon in the South China Sea?

Chair: Dr Saiful Karim

Dr Michael White, Adjunct Professor, T.C Beime School of Law, University of Queensland, Australia
The Importance of the South China Sea as a Sea Lane for Shipping

Dr Bin Li, Lecturer, Newcastle Law School, University of Newcastle, Australia
China’s Historic Rights in the South China Sea

Associate Professor Matthew Stubbs, Adelaide Law School, University of Adelaide, Australia
Dredge your way to China? The Legal Significance of Chinese Construction in the South China Sea

Dr Jeffrey McGee, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law and Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Australia
Balance of Power and the Role of International Law in the South China Sea
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11:15 – 12:45
What Does the Philippines v. China Arbitration Mean for the Future of the South China Sea?

Chair: Professor Shirley Scott

Dr Lowell Bautista, Lecturer, School of Law, University of Wollongong, Australia
The Philippines v. China Arbitration in the South China Sea

Professor Anthony Cassimatis, TC Beirne School of Law, University of Queensland, Australia
Potential Implications of the Philippines v. China Arbitration for Public International Law

Mr Muhammad Taufan, PhD Candidate, Flinders Law School, Flinders University, Australia
Asserting Indonesia’s Stance on Recent Development in the South China Sea

Dr Same Varayudej, Lecturer, School of Law, University of New England, Australia
A Thai Perspective on South China Sea Disputes

Dr Cameron Moore, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of New England, Australia
The Use of Force and Freedom of Navigation in the South China Sea

12:45 – 13:45
Lunch Break

13:45 – 15:00
How Can We Build Peace in the South China Sea?

Chair: Dr Cameron Moore

Professor Shirley Scott, School of Social Sciences, University of New South Wales, Australia
China, the South China Sea, and the Antarctic Analogy

Professor Liyan Yang, School of International Law, Southwest University of Political Science and Law, China
Upgrading China-ASEAN Free Trade Agreement for South China Sea Cooperation

Dr Saiful Karim, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, Queensland University of Technology, Australia
Maritime Terrorism and Maritime Security in the South China Sea

Mr Peter Cai, Research Fellow, Lowy Institute for International Policy, Australia
China’s ‘One Belt and One Road’ Initiative and the South China Sea Region

Dr Edwin Bikundo, Senior Lecturer, Griffith Law School, Griffith University, Australia
An East African Perspective of South China Sea Disputes (video)
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15:00 - 15:15  Short Break

15:15 - 15:55  How Can We Protect the Marine Environment in Disputed Waters?
Chair: Dr Nengye Liu

Professor Jianwei Zhang, Law School, Tianjin University, China
Marine Environmental Protection in the South China Sea, a Chinese Perspective

Dr Michelle Lim, Lecturer, Griffith Law School, Griffith University, Australia
The Potential for Condominium Arrangements in the South China Sea

15:55 - 16:15  Future Collaboration Plans
Chair: Dr Nengye Liu and Dr Saiful Karim

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