

13<sup>th</sup> Polar Law Symposium

# Panel on Policy-Law-Science Nexus in Polar Regions

*presents online interactive seminar*

## Arctic Sciences and International Law

**13 November 2020 (Fri) 19:00-21:00 JST/ 10:00-12:00 GMT**  
Zoom Meeting (pre-registration through the PLS website required)

### Speakers:

Prof. Tomohiko Kobayashi (Otaru University of Commerce, Professor of Law)  
Hilde Woker (UiT – The Arctic University of Norway, PhD Research Fellow)  
Emily Tsui (University of Toronto, JD/MGA Candidate)



## Prof. Tomohiko Kobayashi



Tomohiko Kobayashi is a professor of international economic law at Otaru University of Commerce, Japan. He has served as visiting faculty member at Jagiellonian University (Poland), National Chung Hsing University (Taiwan), and Far East Federal University (Russia). He is interested in international trade and investment law as well as dynamic relationships between international and domestic laws. He is a member of the ArCS II Research Program on International Law.

## Hilde Woker



Hilde Woker is a PhD research fellow at the Norwegian Centre for the Law of the Sea (NCLOS) at UiT - The Arctic University of Norway. In her work, she explores the law-science interface within the law of the sea. She is an Early Career Fellow at the 13th PLS, and has previously been an intern at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and the Dutch Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva. Her research interests include the law of the sea, Arctic governance, and the interaction between law and science in public international law.

## Emily Tsui



Emily Tsui is a Juris Doctor/ Master of Global Affairs Candidate at the University of Toronto, Canada. She is an Early Career Fellow at the 13<sup>th</sup> PLS and Visiting Fellow at The Arctic Institute. She has worked at a large international law firm, the Permanent Court of Arbitration in Singapore, and the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals in The Hague. She is interested in public international law and cultural heritage protection.

## Discussion-oriented seminar on the Arctic Sciences and International Law

Potential of international law to address rapid scientific and technological progress in the Arctic

Role of science in shaping international law

Interactions between law and science within Arctic governance and the law of the sea

Bridging the gap: are law and science incommensurable?

The Arctic as an exceptional region in international law

Fragmentation and coherence in Arctic governance and impacts in the development of international law