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The Wuhan University Institute of International Law, The Pace University School of Law Institute of International Commercial Law, and the China Society of Private International Law have organized this comprehensive seminar on the international sale of goods, which will follow the 10th meeting of the CISG Advisory Council. Members of the Advisory Council and leading Chinese judges, academics, arbitrators and attorneys will discuss the rules of law established by the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods and the application of the Convention in litigation and arbitration in the People's Republic of China. The goal of the seminar is to promote mutual understanding of the Convention's provisions and their practical application, thereby fostering the uniform and harmonized interpretation of the Convention and enhancing the rule of law in international commercial transactions.

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Founded in 1987, the China Society of Private International Law is a national academic organization. Its members, of whom there are more than 250, are mainly professors, scholars, and specialists in private international law from Chinese academic institutions, research institutes, and government legal departments. Its primary missions are to bring people engaged in teaching, researching and applying private international law together to advance the development of theories and practices in private international law and to promote international civil and commercial communication. The Society has published the Chinese Yearbook of Private International Law and Comparative Law since 1998. In 2000, it drafted the Model Law of the Private International Law of the P.R.C., the first academic draft of a Chinese model law on the subject.

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SCHEDULE

October 13-October 14, 2007

SEMINAR VENUE: WUHAN UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL BUILDING

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 12, 2007

BANQUET	HONGYI HOTEL
18:30-20:30	SPEAKER Prof. Huang Jin, Vice-President of Wuhan University, President of China Society of Private International Law

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 13, 2007

OPENING CEREMONY	CHAIR Prof. Yu Minyou, Dean of the World Trade Organization (WTO) Studies School, Wuhan University
09:00-09:45	SPEECHES DELIVERED BY HONORED GUESTS: Prof. Liu Jingnan, President of Wuhan University Prof. Eric E. Bergsten, Former Secretary of UNCITRAL Prof. Jan Ramberg, Chair, CISG Advisory Council Prof. Huang Jin, Vice-President of Wuhan University, President of China Society of Private International Law

SESSION I	TOPIC THE CISG AND ITS HISTORY, CURRENT SITUATION AND FUTURE
10:35-11:45	CHAIR Prof. Huang Jin
	SPEAKERS
	Prof. Mark R. Shulman TRADERS, LAWYERS AND THE RULE OF LAW
	Prof. Albert H. Kritzer CELEBRATING AND RESEARCHING THE CISG
	Prof. Alejandro M. Garro THE DRAWBACKS OF THE CISG AND ITS APPLICATION
	Prof. Hiroo Sono JAPAN'S ACCESSION TO THE CISG

LUNCH	HONGYI HOTEL
12:00-14:00	SPEAKER Luca G. Castellani, UNCITRAL Representative

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 13, 2007

SESSION II	TOPIC THE CISG AND ITS PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS I
14:30-16:05	CHAIR Mr. Robert E. Michael
	SPEAKERS
	Prof. Pilar Perales Viscasillas THE FORMATION PROVISIONS OF THE CISG
	Prof. Eric E. Bergsten NOTIFICATION OF LACK OF CONFORMITY OF THE GOODS UNDER THE CISG
	Prof. Loukas A. Mistelis CONFORMITY OF THE GOODS UNDER THE CISG
	Prof. Michael Bridge ON ARTICLES 81-88 OF THE CISG, ESPECIALLY THE EFFECTS OF AVOIDANCE
	Prof. Ingeborg Schwenzer AVOIDANCE OF THE CONTRACT UNDER THE CISG
	Prof. Siegfried Eiselen THE CISG AND ELECTRONIC ISSUES

SESSION III	TOPIC THE CISG AND ITS PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS II
16:40-18:15	CHAIR Prof. Chen Lihu
	SPEAKERS
	Prof. John Y. Gotanda DAMAGES UNDER THE CISG
	Prof. Zuo Haicong DAMAGE CALCULATION IN A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF GOODS
	Prof. Su Yingxia FUNDAMENTAL BREACH UNDER THE CISG
	Mr. Liu Chengwei REMEDIES IN INTERNATIONAL SALES LAW
	Dr. Lei Kai ANTICIPATORY BREACH OF CONTRACTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SALE OF GOODS
	Mr. Ma Kewei THE DISSOLUTION OF CONTRACTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SALE OF GOODS

BANQUET	LUOJIA VILLA
18:30-20:30	SPEAKER Mr. Paul Varty, Council Member, Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators

SUNDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 14, 2007

SESSION IV 08:30-10:05	TOPIC	THE CISG AND ITS APPLICATION BY THE COURTS		
	CHAIR	Prof. Xiao Bing		
	SPEAKERS	Dr. Zheng Xinjian	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG BY THE CHINESE COURTS	
		Prof. Chen Zhidong	JURISPRUDENCE ANALYSIS OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN CHINESE COURTS	
		Dr. Gao Xiaoli	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG BY THE CHINESE COURTS	
		Prof. Xiao Yongping	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG BY THE CHINESE COURTS	
		Prof. Guo Yujun	A SURVEY OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN CHINA	
Prof. Song Xixiang	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN CHINA			

SESSION V 10:40-12:05	TOPIC	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION		
	CHAIR	Mr. Soo K.L. Gary		
	SPEAKERS	Prof. Tang Houzhi	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN CIETAC ARBITRATION	
		Prof. Philip Yang	HONG KONG ARBITRATION OF INTERNATIONAL SALE OF GOODS DISPUTES	
		Prof. Wang Hongsong	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN CHINESE COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF A LEGAL PRACTITIONER	
		Prof. Han Jian	THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN CHINESE COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION PRACTICE	
Prof. Weng Guomin		THE APPLICATION OF THE CISG IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION		

LUNCH 12:20-14:30	HONGYI HOTEL
SPEAKER	Mr. Li Denghua, Vice-President of the International Arbitration Court of the Wuhan Arbitration Commission

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 14, 2007

SESSION VI 14:30-16:20	TOPIC	A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF THE CISG AND RELATED DOCUMENTS		
	CHAIR	Mr. John P. McMahon		
	SPEAKERS	Prof. Michael Joachim Bonell	THE CISG AND THE UNIDROIT PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CONTRACTS	
		Prof. Jan Ramberg	THE CISG AND INCOTERMS 2000	
		Prof. Claude Witz	CONTRACT DRAFTING UNDER THE CISG	
		Prof. Nie Jianqiang	PROTECTION AGAINST CLAIMS BASED ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY UNDER ARTICLE 42 OF THE CISG	
Dr. Chen Weizuo		CONFLICT OF LAWS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE CISG		

CLOSING CEREMONY 16:55-17:30	CHAIR	Prof. Xiao Yongping, Deputy Dean of Wuhan University School of Law	
	CLOSING SPEECH	Prof. Eric E. Bergsten and Prof. Huang Jin	

BANQUET 17:30-19:30	MEIYUAN		
	SPEAKER	Prof. Mark R. Shulman, Pace University School of Law's Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs and International Affiliations	

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