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EDUCATION

- 03/2015** **Ph.D. in Law, Osaka University (Graduate School of law)**
Legum Doctor (Osaka, Japan)
- 08/2012** **LL.M., Leiden University**
Advanced LL.M. in Public International Law (Leiden, the Netherlands)
- 03/2011** **Master of Arts, Osaka University (Osaka School of International Public Policy)**
Master of International Public Policy (Osaka, Japan)
- 03/2009** **Bachelor of Arts, Osaka University of Foreign Studies**
Bachelor of Language and Cultural Studies (Specialization in International Relations, Swedish, Spanish) (Osaka, Japan)

WORK EXPERIENCES

- 04/2020-present** **College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University**
Associate Professor
- 10/2019-03/2020** **Hakubi Center, Kyoto University**
Assistant Professor
- 04/2019-09/2019** **Hyogo Earthquake Memorial 21st Century Research Institute**
Senior Researcher
- 10/2018-03/2019** **Graduate School of International Public Policy (OSIPP), Osaka University, Japan**
Visiting Researcher
- 04/2015-09/2018** **Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, Japan**
Research Fellow (SPD) (Kyoto University, Japan)
- 04/2013-03/2015** **Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, Japan**
Research Fellow (DC2) (Osaka University, Japan)
- 03/2011-07/2011** **Osaka University, Japan**
Research Assistant (International Humanitarian Law and Criminal Law Project)

PUBLICATIONS

Books and Book Chapters

- Megumi Ochi, *The System of International Procedural Criminal Law: The Premise Theory and the Principle of Ne Bis In Idem* (Shinzansya, 2020).
- (Book Chapter) Megumi Ochi and Saori Matsuyama, "Ethnic Conflicts in Myanmar: The Application of Law on Non-International Armed Conflict," in Suzannah Linton, Tim McCormack & Sandesh Sivakumaran (eds), *Asia-Pacific Perspectives on International Humanitarian Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2019),
- (Book Chapter) Megumi Ochi and Marquise Houle, "Contributions by the International Law Commission to the Development of International Criminal Law and Justice", in Morten Bergsmo (ed.), *Historical Origins of International Criminal Law: Volume 5* (Torkel Opsahl Academic EPublisher, 2017) (forthcoming).
- (Book Chapter) Megumi Ochi, "Functions of the Gravity Threshold before the ICC: Releasing the Prosecutor from the Gravity Constraint", in Morten Bergsmo (ed.), *Criteria for Prioritizing and Selecting Core International Crimes Cases*, Third edition (Torkel Opsahl Academic EPublisher, 2017) (forthcoming).

Articles

- Megumi Ochi, "The Regulatory Scope of the Chambers on Prosecutorial Discretion in the International Criminal Court: Decision Pursuant to Article 15 of the Rome Statute on the Authorisation of an Investigation into the Situation in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan (5 March 2020)," *Tokyo Review of International Law*, No. 9 (2021), pp. 190-199 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "Amnesty and the Exception of ne bis in idem in International Criminal Justice –Reflecting the Concretization of 'Combating Impunity'–", *International Public Policy Studies*, Vol. 23(1) (2018), pp. 75-96 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "Priority and Conflict concerning the Obligations to Extradite for International Crimes," *Law Review of Kansai University*, Vol. 68, No. 5 (2018), pp. 143-188 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "The Scope of Double Trial Prohibition in International Criminal Justice: A Research on the Contents of Ne Bis In Idem as a General International Law," *Nomos*, No. 39 (2016), pp. 117-152 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "The International Criminal Court's Reparation Procedure in the Lubanga Case: The Restorative Justice's Demand and the Significance in International Law," *International Public Policy Studies*, Vol. 20, No. 2 (2016), pp. 31-46 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "Gravity Threshold before the International Criminal Court: An Overview of the Court's Practice," ICD Brief 19 (January 2016), pp. 1-16.
- Megumi Ochi, "Institutional Challenges in the Prosecutorial Regime of the International Criminal Court (ICC): From the Perspective of Redress for Violations of the Suspect's Rights," *Journal of International Law and Diplomacy*, Vol. 114, No. 4 (2015), pp. 123-148 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "A Pluralistic Approach to Criminal Justice in Transitional Justice: Two Decades of International, Semi-International and National War Crimes Prosecution in the former Yugoslavia," *Journal of Multicultural Innovation*, No. 1 (2014), pp. 141-168 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "Prosecutor v. Saif al-Islam Gaddafi (International Criminal Court (Pre-Trial Chamber I) Decision on the Admissibility, 31 May 2013)," *Osaka Law Review*, Vol. 64, No. 1 (2014), pp. 237-250 (in Japanese).
- Megumi Ochi, "Private Military and Security Companies (PMSCs) in the UN-led Peacekeeping Operations: The UN's Role as an Employer and Regulator," *International Public Policy Studies*, Vol. 18, No. 1 (2013), pp. 95-111.
- Megumi Ochi, "The ne bis in idem Effect of ICC Judgment towards National Trials: The Obstructive and Promotional Factors in a Vertical Relationship" *Osaka Law Review*, Vol. 63, No. 1&2 (2013), pp. 127-148; 261-272 (in Japanese).

Book review

Megumi Ochi, "Mohamed Elewa Badar, The Concept of *Mens Rea* in International Criminal Law: The Case for a Unified Approach," *Journal of International Criminal Justice*, Vol. 11 (2013), pp. 933-936.

Translation

Keiko Ko and Megumi Ochi, "Claus Kreß and Leonie von Holtzendorff, 'The Kampala Compromise on the Crime of Aggression,'" *Journal of Law and Economics, Mie University*, Vol. 29, No. 2 (2012), pp. 47-77.

Ph.D. Dissertation

Megumi Ochi, "The Regulation on the Overlap of Criminal Proceedings in the International Criminal Justice," Graduate School of Law, Osaka University (2015).

LL.M. Dissertation

Megumi Ochi, "The Function of the Concept of Gravity in the Selection Process before the International Criminal Court" Grotius Centre, Leiden University (2012).

MA Dissertation

Megumi Ochi, "The Effect of *ne bis in idem* to Domestic Trials after the Judgment by International Criminal Courts: Judgment by ICTR and Rwandan Domestic Court regarding *Bagambiki* Case," Graduate School of Osaka University (2011), *Best Thesis*

PRESENTATIONS

(in English)

Megumi Ochi, "Large-Scale Environmental Destruction by Corporate Activity as a Core International Crime," Hakubi Day 2020, on zoom (Aug 30, 2020).

Megumi Ochi, "Large Scale Destruction of Environment as Core International Crime," XX International Congress of Penal Law 2019 - Criminal Justice and Corporate Business, Libera Università Internazionale degli Studi Sociali "Guido Carli" (Rome) (Nov 15, 2019).

Megumi Ochi, "Supplementing the Pitfalls of Japan-EU MLA Agreement on Death Penalty," Core 2 Core Program Workshop: Current Problems of EU-Japan Cooperation in Criminal Matters, Waseda University (Tokyo) (Oct 31, 2019).

Megumi Ochi, "A Pragmatic Approach to the General Principles of International Criminal Law?: The Role of Asian Laws," Asian Society of International Law, 7th Biennial Conference Manila, Philippines (Novotel Manila Araneta Center, 23 August 2019).

Megumi Ochi, "The Concept of International Procedural Criminal Law: Internationality of Institution or Jurisdiction *Ratione Materiae*?", the 6th AIDP Symposium for Young Penalists, "Revisiting the International vs Ordinary Crime Divide: A Turning Point for International Criminal Law?" (Kyoto University, 22 August 2018).

Megumi Ochi, "The Concept of International Procedural Criminal Law (IPCL)," 2018 Kyoto-NCCU Joint Student Seminar in International Law (Kyoto University, 12 June 2018).

Megumi Ochi, "International Procedural Criminal Law as a Legal System" Young Scholars Workshop on International Law with Professor Jean d'Aspremont (Kyoto University, 13 May 2018).

Megumi Ochi, "A Modern Categorization of International Crimes," 2017 Kyoto-SNU Joint Student Seminar in International Law (Kyoto University, Japan, 15 Dec 2017).

Megumi Ochi, "The Element of State Involvement in Crimes against Humanity: A Dichotomization of the Crime, Seminar on International Law (Kyoto University, Japan, 2 Nov 2017).

Megumi Ochi, The Protected Interests of International Core Crimes and their Impacts on States' Obligations, 2017 NCCU-Kyoto Joint Seminar in International Law (National Chengchi University, Taiwan, 31 Oct 2017).

Megumi Ochi, Crystallizing Conception of 'Fight against Impunity' since Rome Statute: Interrelationship between Human Rights Courts and International Criminal Courts on Amnesty, International Conference: Righting Wrongs: Enforcing Human Rights, Administering International Criminal Justice (University of Westminster, London, United Kingdom, 10 Mar 2017).

Megumi Ochi, Regulation of the 'Community of Courts': The Potential of General Principles of

International Criminal Law, Grotius Dialogue (Leiden University, 6 Feb 2017).

Megumi Ochi, Diversity in Compliance with the International Criminal Courts, Seminar on international law and politics, Domestic Compliance with International Human Rights and Criminal Tribunals (Kyoto University, 6 Oct 2016).

Megumi Ochi, New Dimension to the General Principles of International Criminal Law: A Potential Regulator for Inter-jurisdictional Issues, 2016 CUHK-Kyoto Joint Student Seminar in International Law (Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China, 18 Mar 2016).

Megumi Ochi, Different Procedures for Different Crimes: The Multi-layered International Obligations to Extradite, 2015 Kyoto-Seoul Joint Student Seminar in International Law (Kyoto University, Japan, 23 Dec 2015).

Megumi Ochi, Amnesties in the International Criminal Justice, STL-Kyoto University Joint Student Seminar in International Law (Peking University, Shenzhen, 20 May 2015).

(in Japanese)

Megumi Ochi, "Legal Issues Concerning the Activation of the Crime of Aggression in the International Criminal Court: Form the Perspectives of the Law of Treaty," Kobe Gakuin University (Hyogo)(Sep 5, 2019).

Megumi Ochi, "Priority and Conflict concerning the Obligations to Extradite for International Crimes, Seminar on Criminal Law" Kansai University, Osaka (10 Jan 2018)

Megumi Ochi, The Theory and Practice on Evidence as Reflected in the ICC Judgments and Decisions (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan, 7 Sep 2017).

Megumi Ochi, Scope of Ne Bis in Idem Effect in International Criminal Justice, Japan Society of Criminal Law (Kansai University, Japan, 31 Jul 2016).

Megumi Ochi, The Nature of the International Criminal Court's Reparation System: the Restorative Justice's Perspective in Observed in the Lubanga Appeal's Judgment, 27th Annual Conference of the International Human Rights Law Association Interest Group (Osaka Sangyo University, 22 Nov 2015).

Megumi Ochi, International Law Framework on 'Evidence Gathering' in Abroad, 92nd Criminal Law Society of Japan Annual Conference: Workshop (Doshisha University, 18 May 2014).

Megumi Ochi, The Rights of the Suspects in the International Criminal Court Regime: In Vertical and Complementary Relationship with States, 116th Japan Society of International Law Annual Conference (Shizuoka Convention & Arts Center "GRANSHIP", 14 Oct 2013).

OTHER ACTIVITIES

08/2018	the 6th AIDP Symposium for Young Penalists <i>Chief of the Organizing Committee</i>
04/2018	The International Criminal Court Moot Competition <i>Judge</i>
02/2017	The Jessup Moot Court Competition <i>Judge, Japan round (Doshisya University, Japan)</i>
10/2016-present	Case Matrix Network (CMN) https://www.casematrixnetwork.org/cmn-advisers-and-fellows/cmn-fellows/v <i>Senior Fellow</i>

02/2016	ICC Legal Tools database editing team https://www.legal-tools.org/en/what-are-the-icc-legal-tools/ <i>Editing Member</i>
10/2015	Kyoto University Academic Day 2015 <i>Poster (Kyoto University, Japan)</i>
05/2015	Specialization Course in International Criminal Law for Young Penalists, International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences (ISISC) <i>Participants (Siracusa, Italy)</i>
09/2014	Young Penalist Committee of the International Association of Penal Law http://ypc.youngpenalists.org/p/our-team.html <i>Committee member</i>
09/2013	Participating the International Association of Penal Law XIX International Congress of Penal Law <i>National reporter (Helsinki, Finland and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)</i>
03/2013	Field Research Project in Serbia, Bosnia Herzegovina, and Kosovo <i>Interviewing with judges and prosecutors-Research grant from Osaka University</i>
04/2012- 09/2012	International Criminal Court (Pre-Trial Chamber II) <i>Intern (The Hague, the Netherlands)</i>
04/2011	International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition <i>Speaker, Osaka University team (The Hague, the Netherlands)</i>

LECTURING EXPERIENCE

04/2021- Present	International Law (in Japanese) <i>Faculty of Integrated Human Science, Kyoto University</i>
04/2021- Present	International Relations (in Japanese) <i>Faculty of Integrated Human Science, Kyoto University</i>
04/2021- present	International Human Rights (English) <i>Graduate School of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
04/2020- present	Advanced Seminar (English) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
04/2020- present	Seminar on International Relations (Japanese) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
04/2020- present	Global Studies Seminar (English) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
10/2020- present	Peace and Conflict Studies (English) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>

04/2020-present	Global Simulation Gaming (English) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
04/2020-present	Introductory Seminar (Japanese) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
04/2020-present	International Organizations (English) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University</i>
10/2019-03/2019	International Organizations (English) <i>College of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University (Part-time)</i>
10/2018-03/2019	International Law (English) <i>International College, Osaka University (Part-time)</i>
04/2018-03/2019	Introduction to International Law (English), International Law (Japanese), International Institutional Law (Japanese) <i>Faculty of International Relations, Kwansei Gakuin University (Part-time)</i>
04/2018-09/2018	International Law (Japanese) <i>Faculty of Law, Kindai University (Part-time)</i>
04/2004-present	Introduction to Law (Japanese) <i>Faculty of Law, Kansai University (Part-time)</i>
04/2017	Lexsitus, ICC Statute Article 20 (Centre for International Law Research and Policy (CILRAP)) (English) https://www.cilrap.org/cilrap-film/20-ochi/ <i>Providing online audio-visual lecture</i>
09/2017	International Law (Japanese) <i>Faculty of Foreign Language, Aichi Prefectural University (skype lecture)</i>
09/2014	International Criminal Law and Procedure (Japanese) <i>Graduate School of International Public Policy, Osaka University and International Committee of the Red Cross</i>

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

10/2009-present	Japanese Society of International Law
05/2013-present	International Association of Penal Law (AIDP) – Member of Young Penalist Committee
05/2013-present	Criminal Law Society of Japan
11/2013-present	The International Human Rights Law Association
05/2015-present	The Japanese Association of World Law

06/2019-
present

Japan Association for United Nations Studies

RESEARCH GRANTS & PROJECTS

04/2019-
03/2023

Legal Character and Contents of "Human Rights Standards" in International Criminal Law

Grant-in-Aid for Early-Career Scientists, The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

10/2018-
03/2021

Japan-Taiwan Exchange Programme of Young Scholars

Research Grants, Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association

04/2015-
03/2019

Systematic Categorization of International Criminal Substantive Law: From the Procedural and Jurisdictional Perspective

Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Research Fellow, The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology(MEXT)

04/2013-
05/2015

Principles of Criminal Law in the 'Community of Courts': Legal Regulation of the Concurrence of International Criminal Justice Bodies

Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Research Fellow, The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology(MEXT)