The 3+3 Conference: The role of Comparative Law in Teaching and Research
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The 3+3 Conference “The role of Comparative Law in Teaching and Research”, jointly held by the three renowned mainland Law Schools of Renmin University of China, Peking University and Tsinghua University and three local Law Schools of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, University of Hong Kong and City University of Hong Kong, took place on 18 – 19 January 2018 at the Eminence Galaxy in CityU.

The six Universities will take turns to host the conference and School of Law, CityU was honored to host the conference this year. The purpose of this conference was for academic exchange and collaboration between six Law Schools.

Group photo of the guests from the six Law Schools
The conference was begun with the welcome speech given by Professor Geriant Howells (Dean & Chair Professor of Commercial Law, School of Law). Professor Howells briefly introduced the conference and thanked all participants for their active participation and support. Following by the welcoming remarks, Professor Wang Yi (Dean and Professor, Law School of Renmin University of China), Professor Pan Jianfeng (Vice Dean and Professor or Law of Peking University Law School), Dr Shen Weixing (Professor and Dean, Tsinghua University School of Law), Professor Michael Hor (Dean, Faculty of Law of University of Hong Kong and Professor Steven Gallagher (Associate Dean (Academic Affairs), Faculty of Law of The Chinese University of Hong Kong) were invited to give an opening speech for the conference.

The conference was divided into five sessions under the theme of “The role of Comparative Law in Teaching and Research”, including (i) Civil Law, (ii) Dispute Resolution, (iii) Intellectual Property Law, (iv) Constitutional Law and (v) Programme Design and Comparative Method. Invited speakers from the six Law Schools presented their papers covering a wide range of topics which brought new insights for participants in the conference.

The conference played an important role in exchanging thoughts and views in teaching and research between mainland China and Hong Kong. Participants actively shared opinions and suggestions throughout the discussion which offered a good opportunity for exploring and developing cooperation among the six Law Schools.