

THE POTENTIAL FOR AN INDIGENOUS POLICY UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF JAPAN

The Japanese government recognized the Ainu people as Indigenous People of Japan in 2008 and is now working on to develop comprehensive Ainu policies. The lecture deals with the possibility of special policy measures for the Indigenous Ainu under the Japanese Constitution which has no articles recognizing the presence of any ethnic minorities nor group rights but has individual pursuit of happiness and equal protection clauses.



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A light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to cals@allard.ubc.ca.



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