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Florent Thouvenin and Rolf H. Weber:

Florent Thouvenin is Associate Professor for Information and Communications Law at the Institute of Law, University of Zurich. Rolf H. Weber is professor emeritus of Private, Business, and European Law at the University of Zurich. From 2000 to 2015 he was a guest professor at the University of Hong Kong.

In 2015, Rolf H. Weber and Florent Thouvenin joined forces to initiate the University of Zurich’s Center for Information Technology, Society, and Law (ITSL), whose executive board they chair.

The ITSL brings together experts in IT, geography, media studies, psychology, sociology, ethics, and law to investigate the interplay between information technology, society, and law. Its research focuses include ownership of data, big data in insurance, and the foundations of privacy law.

Cooperation with Hong Kong

Professor Rolf Weber has been cooperating with the University of Hong Kong’s Law & Technology Center since 2007. His work as a guest professor at the center in Hong Kong has resulted in a series of co-publications. So far the joint research has focused on data protection, cloud computing, legal matters related to internet providers, and internet governance. The contact for information at the Law & Technology Center is Professor Anne Cheung.

Future prospects

The Center for Information Technology, Society, and Law at the University of Zurich intends to further extend its cooperation with the University of Hong Kong. For example, it would like to see exchanges of researchers and students with the Law & Technology Center. Another potential cooperation partner for Zurich researchers in Hong Kong is the Digital Asia Hub, a think tank doing research into the internet and society.

Zürich meets Hong Kong

The ITSL and the Law & Technology Center will be staging two joint events as part of the Zürich meets Hong Kong festival. At both events the participants from the University of Zurich will include Florent Thouvenin and Rolf H. Weber.

**FinTech and Data Ownership: Legal Issues of Digital Business Models**

Public workshop in collaboration with the Asian Institute of International Financial Law (University of Hong Kong). 2.30-5pm, 26 October 2017

The Future of Privacy
Public symposium, 6-7.30pm, 26 October 2017
http://zurichmeetshongkong.org/events/the-future-of-privacy?sort=thematically

Florent Thouvenin will be in Hong Kong from the evening of 25 October to 27 October and will be available for interviews.

Rolf H. Weber will be in Hong Kong from midday on 25 October to the evening of 27 October and will be available for interviews.

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