

# KOBE SALAD 2026

**KOBE** University

Summer School of **A**Asian **L**Law **A**And **D**Dispute

17-20 August 2026



Venue: Graduate School of Law, Kobe University  
Rokkodai 1st Campus

## Mission of Kobe SALAD

This programme is designed to help students better understand the diversity of legal systems and social cultures across Asia. Its goal is to build inclusive, mutually beneficial relationships among the next generation of lawyers. Through lectures and workshops delivered by leading academics and practitioners from diverse backgrounds and regions, students will learn the value of sustainable diversity in legal cultures and how to build productive relationships in these circumstances.

## Registration & Participation

Please send an email to '[law-kimap-admin@edu.kobe-u.ac.jp](mailto:law-kimap-admin@edu.kobe-u.ac.jp)' by **Friday, 24 July 2026**, including the following information: full name, nationality, email address, affiliation, and whether you will attend (1) all sessions or (2) only some sessions (with the dates you will attend).

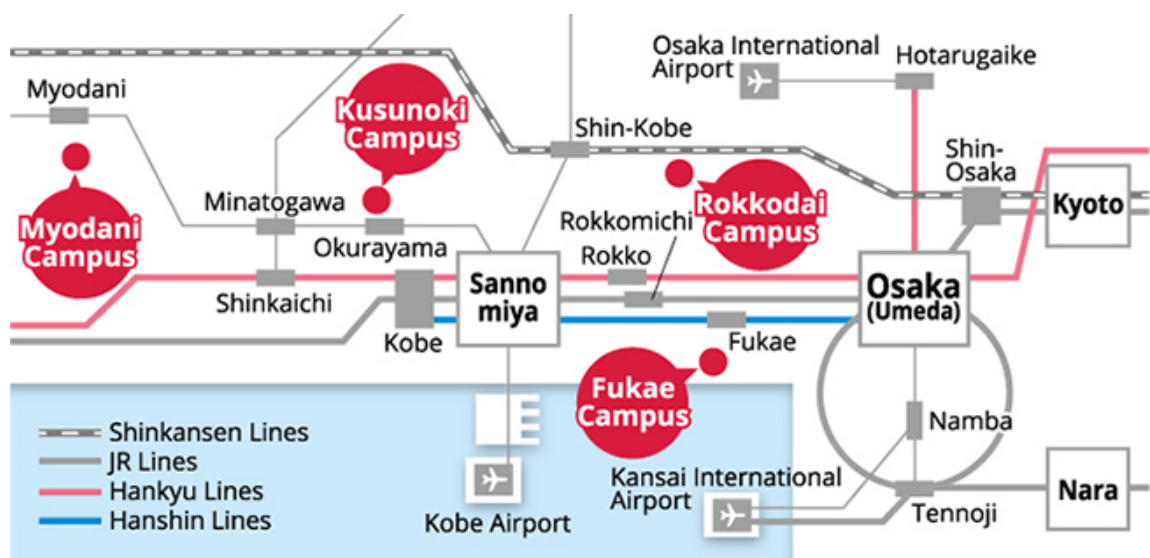
## Certificate

The certificate of attendance will be given to participants who attend all the sessions.

## How to Get to Kobe SALAD

### To Kobe

Easily accessible by train (regular direct train/Shinkansen services)) and by air (<https://www.kobe-u.ac.jp/en/campus-life/maps/about/>).

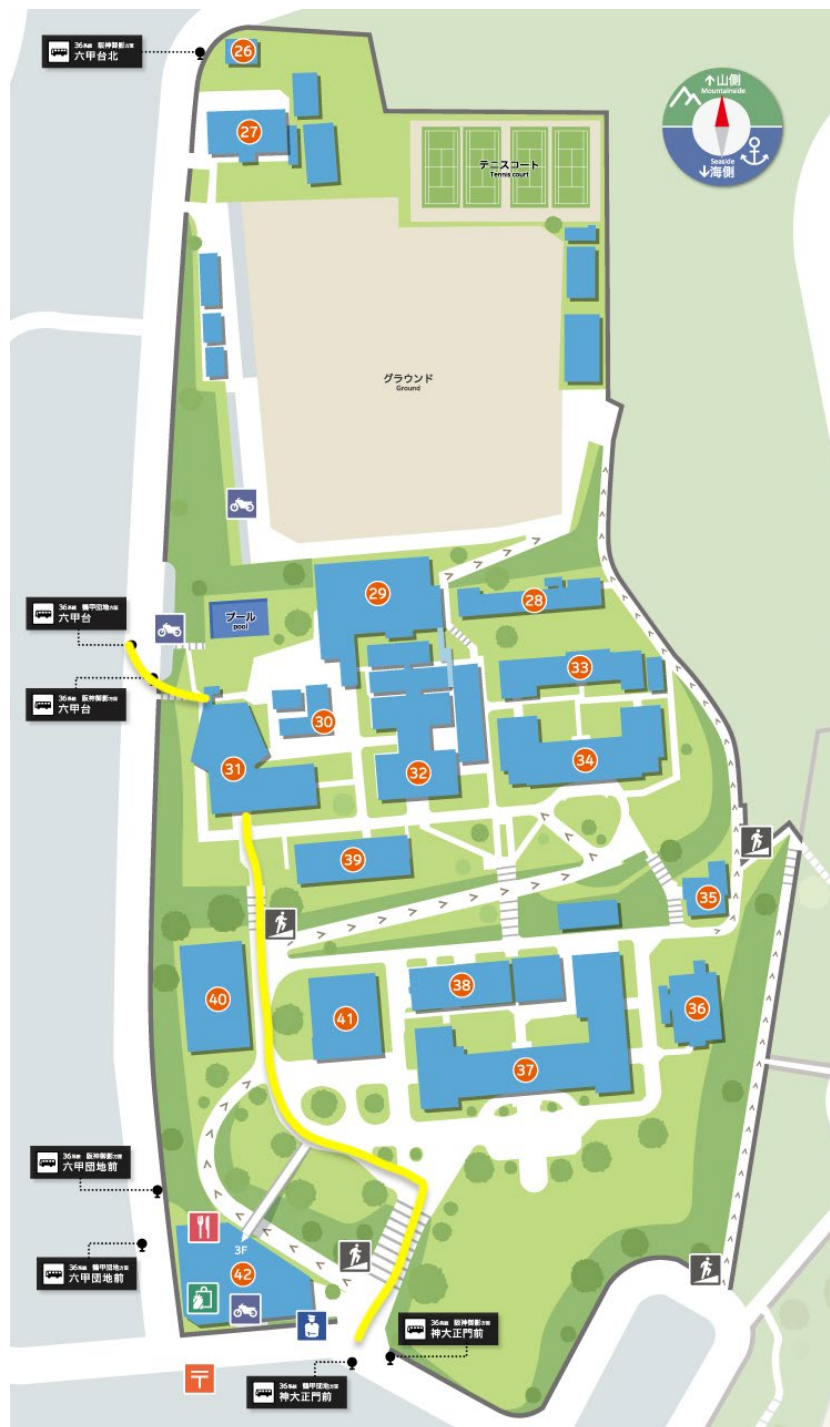


## To Kobe University, Rokkodai 1st Campus

Kobe City Bus No.36 (from JR 'Rokkomichi' station/from Hankyu 'Rokko' station) to Shindai Seimon Mae/Rokkodai (approx. 15 minutes)

## To Venue

Room 163, Faculty & Graduate School of Law (Building II) (**Building No. 31**), Kobe University (**Rokkodai 1st Campus**) 2-1 Rokkodai-Cho, Nada-Ku, Kobe 657-8501 Japan



## Where to Stay & Explore

Please note that Kobe University is unable to provide accommodation for the participants. Participants are therefore kindly asked to arrange their own accommodation.

There are a number of accommodation options around JR Sannomiya Station and Hankyu Kobe-Sannomiya Station, both in a convenient area with good access to the venue, public transportation, restaurants, and shops.

## Dress Code

As it is typically extremely hot in Japan during the summer, participants are strongly encouraged to wear light, cool clothing.

## Contact Us

For further information and enquiries, please contact us:

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# **PROGRAMME (tentative as of 18 June 2026)**

## **Day 1 – Monday, 17 August 2026**

9.00 – 9.10 Introduction to Kobe SALAD 2026

**Dr. Kazuaki Nishioka**

### **Session 1: Introduction to International Arbitration**

9.10 – 10.40 International Commercial Arbitration: Principles, Process, and Practice (1)

**Prof. Anselmo Reyes / Dr. Kazuaki Nishioka**

10.40 – 11.00 Tea Break

11.00 – 11.50 International Commercial Arbitration: Principles, Process, and Practice (2)

**Prof. Anselmo Reyes / Dr. Kazuaki Nishioka**

11.50 – 12.40 Introduction to Investor-State Arbitration

**Dr. Kabir Duggal**

12.40 – 13.50 Lunch Break

### **Session 2: Specific Fields/Topics of Arbitration (1)**

13.50 – 14.40 Construction Arbitration – Title (TBA)

**Justice Michael Black KC**

14.40 – 15.30 Investment Arbitration: Dual Citizens (Ratione Personae) and Revoked Offer to Arbitrate (Ratione Voluntatis)

**Dr. Ylli Dautaj**

15.45 – 17.00 Campus Tour

17.00 - Welcome Reception (Restaurant Sakura)

## **Day 2 – Tuesday, 18 August 2026**

### **Session 3: Specific Fields/Topics of Arbitration (2)**

- 9.15 – 10.05 Sports Arbitration in Perspective: Parallelisms and Divergences with Commercial Arbitration  
**Dr. Mingchao Fan**
- 10.05 – 10.20 Tea Break
- 10.20 – 11.10 Sports Arbitration in Figures: Synthesizing Empirical Research Findings  
**Dr. Mingchao Fan**
- 11.10 – 12.00 Digital Economy Court in Dubai Interaction between Technology and Arbitration (TBC)  
**Justice Michael Black KC**
- 12.00 – 13.10 Lunch Break
- 13.10 – 14.00 Maritime arbitration in an age of disruption: Ukraine/Hormuz and El Niño  
**Ms. Sarra Kay**

### **Session 4: Multinationals and Human Rights in Asia**

- 14.10 – 15.00 Business, Human Rights and Remedies in Asia: A Brief Look at Multinational Corporate Accountability  
**Mr. Jason Ho Ching Cheung**

## **Day 3 – Wednesday, 19 August 2026**

### **Session 5: Mediation Workshop**

- 9.30 – 12.30 Mediation Workshop

**Zealot Kenneth Tsui, Adrian Mak and Dr. Kazuaki Nishioka**

12.30 – 14.00

Lunch Break

14.00 – 17.00

Excursion in Kobe (TBA)

Disaster Reduction and Human Renovation Institution

## **Day 4 – Thursday, 20 August 2026**

### **Session 6: Now and Next – Cutting Edge Topics**

10.00 – 10.50

The Recent Changes in Mediation Legislation of Uzbekistan and its Impact on Development of Cross-border Mediation

**Prof. Otabek Narziev**

10.50 – 11.00

Tea Break

11.00 – 11.50

Decoding Stablecoins: Where Law, Finance, and Geopolitics Collide

**Dr. Anthony Neoh SC**

11.50 – 12.00

Tea Break

12.00 - 12.50

Regulation of BigTech Platforms in a Comparative Perspective

**Prof. Andreas Heinemann**

12.50 – 14.00

Lunch Break

14.00 - 14.50

Esports Law and Governance

**Assistant Prof. Tsubasa Shinohara**

14.50 – 15.40

Fiduciary Duty and Corporate Externalities: Rethinking Directors' Climate Obligations Climate Change

**Prof. Ernest Lim**

15.40 – 15.50

Closing Remarks

**Dr. Kazuaki Nishioka**