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President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)

“Rule of Law and the
International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)”

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Ernst-Rabel-Saal, 3rd floor

All employees and guests of the institute as well as
other interested parties are cordially invited to the lecture.

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About the Speaker:

Jin-Hyun Paik has been Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) since 2009. In October 2017, he was elected President of the Tribunal for a term of three years (2017-2020). He is also Professor of International Law at Seoul National University in Korea (on leave) and was Dean of its Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS). Judge Paik was a doctoral fellow at Hague Academy of International Law, Netherlands; visiting fellow at the Rand Corporation, Santa Monica and at Hoover Institution, Stanford, USA; visiting professor at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), USA; and guest scholar at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany. In 2015, Judge Paik was elected to the Institut de Droit International. He also served as President of the Asian Society of International Law (AsianSIL 2015-2017). Educated in Seoul National University (LL.B.), Columbia Law School (LL.M.), and Cambridge University (Ph.D.), he has written and edited over 150 articles and several books on international law and politics, law of the sea, international dispute settlement, and Korea's foreign and security policies, the latest of which includes *Regions, Institutions and the Law of the Sea* (Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2013).

About the Topic:

The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, which was founded by the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) in 1996, makes a contribution to the rule of law at sea in two ways: first, by settling disputes and giving advisory opinions; and second, in so doing by clarifying and developing international law. As a dispute settlement body, the ITLOS is unique in terms of comprehensive functions it performs. It not only deals with traditional inter-State disputes but also can settle disputes involving non-State entities. Over the past two decades, the Tribunal has made significant contribution to the rule of law by clarifying and developing international law embodied in the UNCLOS.