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## Advance Directives Across Asia: Book Launch Events

### “Potential Challenges for Hong Kong Healthcare Practitioners” &

### “Advance Directives Across Asia – Trends and Patterns”

2 - 3 May 2023 (Tue & Wed) | 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm (HKT)  
(in-person)

#### About *Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective* (Cambridge University Press, 2023) [[available open access](#)]:

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#### Speakers and Panelists:

#### “Potential Challenges for Hong Kong Healthcare Practitioners”

2 May (Tue)  
Function Room 1, 2/F,  
HKAM Jockey Club Building, Aberdeen

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#### “Advance Directives Across Asia – Trends and Patterns”

3 May (Wed)  
Philip K.H. Wong Theatre, 2/F, Cheng Yu Tung Tower,  
Centennial Campus, HKU

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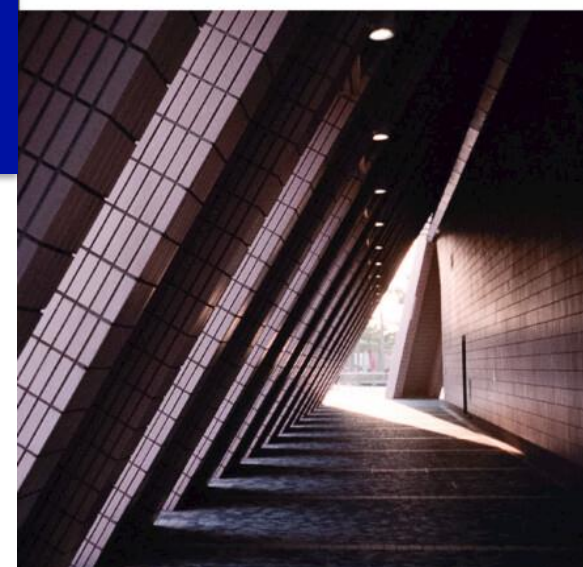
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#### Advance Directives across Asia

A Comparative Socio-legal Analysis

Edited by Daisy Cheung  
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## Objective, Coverage and Learning Outcomes

Event on 2 May 2023:

- Broadly give an overview of the practical challenges associated with the law and practice of advance directives in Hong Kong for healthcare practitioners and others
- Broadly give an overview of the practical challenges associated with the law and practice of advance directives in Singapore for healthcare practitioners and others
- Broadly discuss key issues relating to the development of the legislative bill on advance directives in Hong Kong

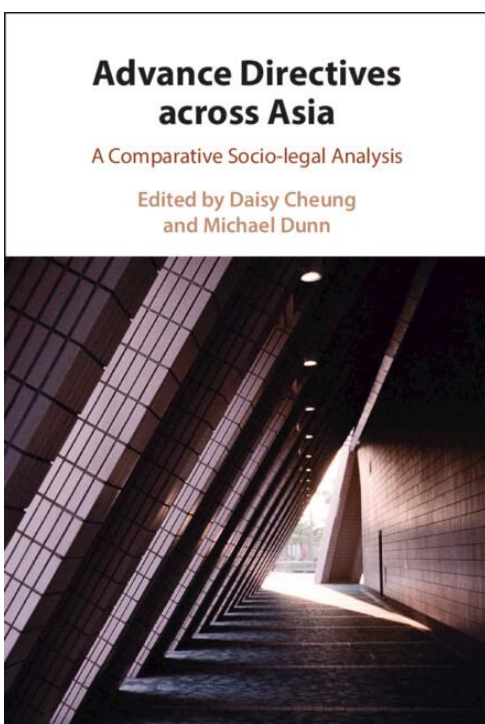
Participants will acquire knowledge of the above.

Event on 3 May 2023:

- Broadly give an overview of the law and practice of advance directives in Singapore, Thailand, India, Malaysia, and Macau
- Broadly discuss trends and patterns in the law and practice of advance directives across Asian jurisdictions
- Broadly discuss implications of such trends and patterns for the development of advance directives in Asia

Participants will acquire knowledge of the above.

## About the Book



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# The Programme – Day 1: “Potential Challenges for Hong Kong Healthcare Practitioners”

2 May 2023, Tuesday  
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm (Hong Kong Time)  
Function Room 1, 2/F, The Hong Kong Academy of Medicine  
Jockey Club Building, 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen

7:30pm – 7:35pm	<p><b>Introductory Remarks</b></p>
7:35pm - 7:50pm	<p><b>Advance Directives in Hong Kong: Challenges for Healthcare Practitioners</b></p> <p><b>Assistant Prof Daisy CHEUNG</b> <i>Co-editor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law &amp; Deputy Director, Centre for Medical Ethics and Law, The University of Hong Kong</i></p> <p><b>Assoc Prof Rebecca LEE</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, The University of Hong Kong</i></p>
7:50pm – 8:00pm	<p><b>Advance Medical Directives in Singapore: Difficulties in Implementation (Virtual)</b></p> <p><b>Assoc Prof Tracey Evans CHAN</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, Singapore</i></p>
8:00pm - 9:00pm	<p><b>Roundtable Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p><b>(Chair) Assoc Prof Michael DUNN</b> <i>Co-editor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Associate Professor, Centre for Biomedical Ethics, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Singapore</i></p> <p><b>(Chair) Professor Gilberto K. K. LEUNG</b> <i>President and Co-Chairman, Professionalism and Ethics Committee, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Tsang Wing-Hing Professor in Clinical Neuroscience, Co-Director of the Centre for Medical Ethics and Law &amp; Associate Dean (Teaching &amp; Learning), LKS Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong</i></p> <p><b>Ms Sherlynn CHAN</b> <i>Partner, Deacons Chairman of Mental Health Law Committee, Law Society of Hong Kong Co-Chairman of Mental Health, Elder Law and Capacity Sub-Committee of STEP HK Member of Guardianship Board, Hong Kong</i></p> <p><b>Mr Albert K. C. LAM</b></p>

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**The Programme –  
Day 2: “Advance Directives Across Asia: Trends and Patterns”**

**3 May 2023, Wednesday  
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm (Hong Kong Time)  
Philip K.H. Wong Theatre, 2/F, Cheng Yu Tung Tower,  
Centennial Campus, HKU**

7:30pm – 7:35pm	<b>Introductory Remarks</b>
7:35pm - 7:45pm	<b>Advance Medical Directives in Singapore: A Faltering Policy for End-of-Life Care?</b>  <b>Assoc Prof Tracey Evans CHAN</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, Singapore</i>
7:45pm - 7:55pm	<b>Advance Directives: The Thai Context</b>  <b>Dr Thitinant Tina TENGAUMNUAY</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand</i>
7:55pm - 8:05pm	<b>Advance Directives in India: Seeking the Individual Within the Community</b>  <b>Ms Kelly Amal DHRU</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective PhD Candidate and Research Associate, University of Hamburg, Germany</i>
8:05pm – 8:15pm	<b>The Law and Practice of Advance Directives and End-of-Life Care in Malaysia</b>  <b>Dr Sharon KAUR</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Malaya, Malaysia</i>
8:15pm- 8:25pm	<b>Advance Directives in Macao: Not Legally Recognised, But...</b>  <b>Dr Man Teng IONG</b> <i>Contributor of Advance Directives Across Asia: A Comparative Socio-legal Perspective Senior Instructor, Faculty of Law, University of Macau, Macau</i>
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Sherlynn is a seasoned family lawyer, fellow of the International Academy of Family Lawyers and an accredited family mediator. She previously sat as a Deputy Family Court Judge in Hong Kong. She handles complex and sensitive matrimonial cases including divorce, separation, cohabitation, financial claims as well as children matters (access, custody, relocation, and international child abduction) and injunctive relief for preservation of assets.



Sherlynn is also a leading lawyer in mental capacity law, frequently acting for vulnerable clients. She has been appointed by the High Court on multiple occasions as Professional Committee for Mentally Incapacitated Persons to manage their property and affairs. She also advises Committees and represents applicants in contested and non-contested applications under Part II of the Mental Health Ordinance (Cap 136).

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In his role as a consultant to the Health Bureau, Mr Lam's current work covers the formulation of legislative proposals to facilitate the further development of end-of-life care services in Hong Kong. He has vast experience in public administration, including policy formulation and overseeing drafting and enactment of legislation.



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