



The Institute of European Law (Institutet för Europeisk rätt) invites you to
a seminar in EU law with

Associate Professor John Hopkins

**The Long(ish) arm of the (EU) Law?: Adoption of EU norms in
the Asia-Pacific**

Monday 18 December 2017, 12-13

EU law Library, 9th floor, Juridicum, Stockholm University

The EU has long been seen as something of beacon for regionalism and an exporter of legal norms. Such exports have usually been examined in terms of Europe's ability to export rather than the willingness or otherwise of recipient states to 'adopt' such norms. In addition, norm export has largely been understood as a feature of geography, with closer states being more likely to adopt such European practices. This seminar examines the export of EU constitutional and legal norms in the Asia-Pacific region and questions these assumptions. This reveals a far more complex story of adoption and rejection. For example, although the EU's constitutional model has not travelled well despite strong prima facie support for regional co-operation across the region, EU law itself reaches far deeper into the domestic legal systems of the region's states that is often realised. Using a number of research projects undertaken by the author and New Zealand European Union Centres Network this seminar argues that the EU's legal norms remain a major influence in the region, although such influence is often more complex than first impressions suggest. The long arm of the (EU) law is long indeed.

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Registration: Please register [online](#) no later than Thursday 14 December 2017.

Refreshments and sandwiches will be available to registered participants from 11.30.
Should you have any special requirements or allergies please inform us when registering.

Warm welcome!
Jaana Paju