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Panelists –

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Booth is a leading expert on comparative and cross-border insolvency and commercial law and is especially well known for his work on Asian law. His current research examines Hong Kong and Chinese insolvency law and reform, and the development of insolvency and commercial law infrastructures in Asia in the aftermath of the Asian Financial Crisis. Booth is very active in law reform and has served as a consultant on insolvency and commercial law reform projects sponsored by organizations such as the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank and the International Republican Institute. He has contributed to law reform projects across Europe and Asia.

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McNally’s research focuses on comparative capitalism, especially the nature and logic of Sino-Capitalism. He is at present working on a research project that studies the implications of China’s international reemergence in the global order. He has held fellowships conducting fieldwork and research at the Asia Research Centre in West Australia, the Institute of Asia Pacific Studies at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences. He has edited four volumes, including an examination of China's political economy: *China's Emergent Political Economy – Capitalism in the Dragon's Lair* (Routledge, 2008). McNally earned his PhD and MA from the University of Washington and his BA from the University of California at Berkeley.

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