University of Leeds Book Launch Event: Global Health, Intellectual Property, and Technology Transfer

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This online event holding on **Wednesday, 31 March 2021 4pm - 5:30pm (GMT)** is co-hosted by the Centre for Business Law and Practice and the Centre for Law and Social Justice.

In 2020, two books concerning the pharmaceutical innovation, intellectual property, and access to medicines were published. Both saw health as being very much a global issue requiring not only national and regional solutions, but global ones too.

Dr Amaka Vanni's Patent Games in the Global South: Pharmaceutical Patent Law-Making in Brazil, India and Nigeria, which won the annual SIEL-Hart Prize in International Economic Law, tells the stories behind the national implementation of international patent law in three emerging markets.

Professor Graham Dutfield's That High Design of Purest Gold: A Critical History of the Pharmaceutical Industry, 1880-2020 details and assesses the performance of the pharmaceutical industry since its inception. In doing so it takes into account the interactions and co-evolution of scientific, business interest, intellectual property laws and regulatory frameworks.

Amaka and Graham will present their books, highlighting the key findings. Commentaries and observations will be provided by a distinguished group of speakers.

Professor James Gathii (Wing-Tat Lee Chair in International Law and Professor of Law, Loyola University Chicago) will deliver a keynote address.

Professor Jayashree Watal (former Counsellor at the World Trade Organization and currently a Senior Trade Policy advisor to the UK Department of International Treaty) will also share her experiences in trade, intellectual property and public health.

Other speakers include:

Professor Caroline Ncube (DST/NRF SARChI Research Chair in Intellectual Property, Innovation and Development, University of Cape Town),

Dr Fifa Rahman (Permanent Civil Society Representative of the Access to COVID Tools Accelerator and Founder of Matahari Global), and

Dr Owain Williams (Lecturer in International Relations, University of Leeds).

Dr Amrita Mukherjee from the School of Law, University of Leeds, will chair the event.

Event details and joining instructions

All are welcome. This is a free event, though registration is required via Eventbrite. The event will take place via Zoom and will be recorded. Registration for this event will be understood as indicating consent to the talk being recorded.

Register via this link.

Joining instructions will be sent 24 hours before the event via email once you have registered.

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