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Establishing the National Preventive Mechanism in Taiwan

**Speaker: Dr. Pavel Doubek,
Postdoctoral Fellow, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy**

Date: Monday, July 29, 2019

Time: 14:00 – 16:00

**Venue: Conference Room 202, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy
No. 4, Alley 17, Lane 147, Sec. 3, Sinyi Road, Taipei**

**Moderator: Dr. Song-lih Huang (黃嵩立教授)
Professor at National Yang-Ming University**

**Discussant: Dr. Vivianne Yen-ching Weng (翁燕菁副教授)
Associate Professor at National Chengchi University**

Agenda:

14:00 – 14:10 Opening remarks by Dr. Song-lih Huang

14:10 – 15:00 Presentation by Dr. Pavel Doubek

15:00 – 15:20 Comments by Dr. Vivianne Yen-ching Weng

15:20 – 16:00 Open discussion

※ **Please note that this event will be conducted in English.**

Currently, the Legislative Yuan is implementing the Convention against Torture (CAT) and its Optional Protocol (OPCAT) into national law in Taiwan. Based on this law, a torture-preventing body, the National Preventive Mechanism (NPM), should be created. The law anticipates establishing the NPM within the Control Yuan – Ombudsman institution of Taiwan.

In order to support the implementation endeavour, the present research compares law and practices in selected jurisdictions that established their NPM within the Ombudsman institutions (The Czech Republic, Georgia, Norway and Slovenia). Besides interviewing the ombudspersons and members of selected NPMs, Taiwanese stakeholders and NGOs, the study also analyses OPCAT obligations and a variety of recommendations and reports of the UN bodies and international organizations.

Learn from the international experience, the research introduces 50 general and 46 Taiwan-specific recommendations concerning, for instance, the establishing process, legislative basis, independence, budget, composition, etc.

The research outcomes will be published in academic journals and will be provided to the Control Yuan, Legislative Yuan and other Taiwan stakeholders in order to support these actors in creating a fully functioning NPM model. Nevertheless, since the research in hand is first and rather introductory, further research activities seem to be necessary. —by Dr. Pavel Doubek

Speaker Biography

Dr Pavel Doubek is Czech lawyer and researcher focusing on human rights, constitutional law and medical law currently working, as a postdoctoral research fellow, at the Taiwan Foundation in Democracy. In his research, he strives to introduce the recommendations for the establishment of the National Preventive Mechanism under the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture in law in Taiwan. He has gained his PhD degree at the Masaryk University in 2018, where he had been writing a dissertation thesis on the medical intervention without the patient's consent. As a visiting scholar, he spent one semester in Norway and Australia studying comparative and medical law. He has published a number of articles in several Czech law journals on a variety of topical issues and has participated in several legal conferences in the Czech Republic and abroad.



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