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**“The New Migration Law:  
A Roadmap for an Uncertain Future”**

Countries around the world are struggling with migration that challenges the traditional approaches in national systems of immigration law and in international and national refugee protection schemes. In this lecture, law professor Hiroshi Motomura will suggest new ways to understand the shortcomings of national immigration laws and refugee protection. He will also explain why sustainable responses to migration require some form of admission that does not routinely lead to citizenship — but this also means that migrants must have a real choice to return to their original homes. Creating this choice — and the choice not to migrate in the first place — demands a much stronger commitment to trade and economic development. The essential political support for all of these approaches will require measures to address economic inequality in destination countries. All of this requires thinking that breaks free of traditional categories — in short, what is needed is a new migration law.

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