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# Disability Rights Activism and Changing Governance in South Korea and Japan

Through comparisons of anti-discrimination and accessibility reforms in South Korea and Japan, this talk analyzes the rise of legalistic governance. More formal rules and participation in policymaking and enforcement, including through the courts, mark a change. I trace how activists and lawyers are contributing to this shift in regulatory style, drawing on 45 interviews and qualitative analysis of policy deliberations, movement documents, and court rulings.



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