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Dr. Yuan Hao is a senior fellow / co-director of the newly established Berkeley Asia IP and Competition Law Center (BAIC) at BCLT. Yuan's research interests are focused in two areas: (1) IP's specific role in facilitating human creativity in an AI-powered age; and (2) IP's specific role in the growth of private ordering and innovation eco-system in the shadow of an authoritarian government. For the former interest, Yuan co-taught a brand-new course titled IP and Human Creativity in an "AI Age" in the autumn of 2023, and her very recent article of The Rise of Centaur Inventors has been published in the Journal of Patent and Trademark Office Society. In 2024-2025, Yuan is also hosting a global talk series on innovation and generative AI. Regarding the latter interest, Yuan's research is currently focused on the evolving landscape of standard essential patent (SEP) licensing and litigation, as well as the curious interplay of patent and antitrust in China.

Before Yuan joined Berkeley, she taught patent law, tech law courses and anti-monopoly law seminar in the School of Law at Tsinghua University. As an influential academic, Yuan advised several key IP and anti-monopoly legislation projects in China. She also participated in a dozen litigation, administrative investigation, and arbitration cases, as a panel member or expert witness. In 2018, Yuan was listed as an arbitrator in the International Arbitration Center in Tokyo (IACT), which aims to specialize in SEP-related arbitrations.

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