

Symposium on Asian Perspectives on Social Stratification and Inequality

Sponsor: Center for the Study of Social Stratification and Inequality

Organizer: Yoshimichi Sato (CSSI)

Venue: Main Meeting Room, 11th floor of New Humanities Building of Tohoku University

Date: October 27-28, 2012

Program

Notes: Each speaker has 30 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for discussion.

Facilities for Powerpoint presentations are available.

October 27 (Saturday)

9:00-9:10 **Opening remarks by Yoshimichi Sato**

9:10-10:30 **Session 1 (Moderator: Hiroki Takikawa)**

Keiko Nakao and Hachiro Iwai *Cross-Cultural Comparisons on Status-Attainment: Comparison among Four East Asian Societies based on EASS-2008*

Raymond Sin-Kwok Wong *Comparative Social Mobility in East Asian Societies*

10:30-10:40 **Break**

10:40-12:00 **Session 2 (Moderator: Hiroki Takikawa)**

Doo-Seung Hong, Eun Young Nam, and Jee Young Seong *Non-regular workers in Korea: A Truly Disadvantaged Class?*

Arturo Martinez Jr., Mark Western, Michele Haynes, and Wojtek Tomaszewski
Moving to Higher Quality Employment: An Exploratory Study of Multiple Job Holders in Indonesia

12:00-13:00 **Lunch** (COE Meeting Room on 6th Floor of Faculty of Arts and Letters)

13:00-14:00 **Keynote Lecture (Moderator: Yoshimichi Sato)**

Meir Yaish *Social Class and Economic Inequality: Attitudes toward Income Inequality in 20 Capitalist Societies*

14:00-14:10 **Break**

14:10-15:30 **Session 3 (Moderator: Rumi Matsuzaki)**

Yoshimichi Sato *Non-regular Workers Trapped in the Gap between Changing Reality and (Almost) Unchanged Institutions*

Arthur Sakamoto and Yuka Minagawa *A U.S.-Japan Comparison of the Effects of Absolute and Relative Income Differentials on Happiness*

15:30-15:40 **Break**

15:40-17:00 Session 4 (Moderator: Rumi Matsuzaki)

Menandro S. Abanes *Ethno-religious Identification and Social Stratification and Inequality in the Philippines*

Anastasia Gorodzeisky and Moshe Semyonov *Making a Living at Two Labor Markets: Earnings of Filipinos in the Global and the Domestic Economy*

18:00 Reception (Restaurant La Foret, Sendai International Center)

October 28 (Sunday)

9:10-10:30 Session 5 (Moderator: Edmond Agyeman)

Wei Zhao *Dual Institutional Structure and Housing Inequality in Transitional Urban China*

Dongshu Ou, Suet-ling Pong, and David Post *Integration or Ethnic Enclave? Emergent Stratification and the Future of Mainland Immigration to Hong Kong*

10:30-10:40 Break

10:40-12:00 Session 6 (Moderator: Yoshimichi Sato)

Reiko Yamato *How Has Economic Globalization, Mediated by Country-specific Institutions, Influenced Women's Employment at Marriage and Childbirth? A Comparison between Japan and Taiwan*

Dirk Hofäcker, Heike Schröder, Matthew Flynn, and Yuxin Li
Does the Promotion of Extended Working Lives Foster the Emergence of New Inequalities? Comparing Trends and Determinants of Work-retirement Transitions in Japan, Germany and the United Kingdom

12:00-13:00 Lunch (COE Meeting Room on 6th Floor of Faculty of Arts and Letters)

13:00-14:20 Session 7 (Moderator: Ichiro Numazaki)

Wei-hsin Yu and Chi-Tsun Chiu *Off to a Good Start: Trends in First Job Quality and Stability in Japan, Korea, and Taiwan*

Hiroshi Kanbayashi and Hirohisa Takenoshita *Labor Market Institutions and Job Mobility in Asian Countries: A Comparative Study of Japan and Taiwan*

14:20-14:30 Concluding remarks by Meir Yaish

Papers for circulation

Dongshu Ou and Suet-ling Pong "Human Capital and the Economic Assimilation of Recent Immigrants in Hong Kong"

Mohammad Taghi Sheykhi “Ageing and the Appearance of Underclass in Iran: A Growing Problem for Family and Society”

Maria Costanza Torri and Andrea Martinez “Women’s Narratives of Empowerment and Micro-Entrepreneurship in India: The Case Study of Gram Mooligai Company Limited”

Alissa Tolstokorova “Ukrainian Middle Class Being Shaped in Europe: Labour migration as a class-forming factor in Ukrainian Society”