International Workshop

**Advancing Knowledge in Developing Economies and Development Economics: Towards the Understanding of Institutions in Development**

Date: September 23 (Fri) and September 24 (Sat), 2011

Venue: Sano Shoin, Hitotsubashi University (2-17-35 Naka, Kunitachi, Tokyo, 186-0004 Japan)

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**Program**

**First Day (September 23, 2011)**

9:30-9:50 Registration

9:50-10:00 Opening Remark [Takashi Kurosaki (CEI/PRIMCED) & Machiko Nissanke (SOAS)]

10:00-12:30 *Industrial Development in Asia* (Chair: Yukinobu Kitamura, Hitotsubashi/PRIMCED)

- **Tomohiro Machikita** (JETRO Institute of Developing Economies)
  “The Determinants of Size Distribution of Plants in the Early Stage of Industrial Development: Japan, 1902-1919” (co-authored with Asuka Imaizumi, Kaori Ito, and Tetsuji Okazaki)

- **Kentaro Nakajima** (Tohoku University/PRIMCED)
  “Productivity Improvement in the Specialized Industrial Clusters: The Case of the Japanese Silk-Reeling Industry” (co-authored with Yutaka Arimoto and Tetsuji Okazaki)

- **Satoshi Miyamura** (SOAS)
  “Diversity of Labour Market Institutions in Indian Industry: A Comparison of Mumbai and Kolkata”

12:30-13:30 Lunch Break

13:30-16:00 *Sectoral Development: Industries, Food, and Rural Sectors* (Chair: Takashi Kurosaki)

- **Takahiro Fukunishi** (JETRO-IDE)
  “Export Participation of Local Firms in the Kenyan Garment Industry: Why Did Not Incumbent Firms Start Exports?”

- **V.K. Ramachandran** (Indian Statistical Institute)
  “Classes and Class Differentiation in India’s Countryside”

- **Jane Harrigan** (SOAS)
  “Food Security in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) and Sub-Saharan Africa: A Comparative Analysis”

16:00-16:20 Tea Break

16:30-18:00 *Microfinance as Institutions to Eradicate Poverty and Enhance Growth* (Chair: Katsuo Kogure, Hitotsubashi/CEI)

- **Fumiharu Mieno** (University of Kobe/PRIMCED)
  “Do Subsidies Enhance or Erode the Cost-Efficiency of Microfinance? Evidence from MFI Worldwide Micro Data” (co-authored with Hisako Kai)
Jonathan Morduch (New York University)
“Impact Assessment of an Asset Transfer Program to Ultra Poor” (co-authored with Shamika Ravi and Jonathan Bauchet)

18:15-20:00 Reception (@Sano Shoin Hall)

Second Day (September 24, 2011)

10:00-12:30 Natural Disasters, Institutions, and Economic Development
(Chair: Yutaka Arimoto, Hitotsubashi/PRIMCED/CEI)

Tetsuji Okazaki (University of Tokyo/PRIMCED)
“Impact of Natural Disasters on Industrial Agglomeration: The Case of the 1923 Great Kanto Earthquake” (co-authored with Kaori Ito and Asuka Imaizumi)

Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo/PRIMCED)
“Self-Production, Friction, and Risk Sharing against Disasters: Evidence from a Developing Country” (co-authored with Hiroyuki Nakata and Tomoaki Kotera)

Humayun Khan & Mir Kalan Shah (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Agricultural University)
“Natural Disasters, Relief Aid, and Household Vulnerability in Pakistan: Evidence from a Pilot Survey in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa” (co-authored with Takashi Kurosaki and Muhammad Tahir)

12:30-13:30 Lunch Break

13:30-16:00 Colonial Legacy in Economic Development
(Chair: Chiaki Moriguchi, Hitotsubashi/PRIMCED)

Konosuke Odaka (Professor Emeritus, Hitotsubashi Univ./PRIMCED)
“A New Light to Shine? Historical Legacies and Prospects for Myanmar’s Economy”

Ichiro Sugimoto (Soka University)
“Government Fiscal Behaviour and Economic Growth of Singapore in the Twentieth Century” (co-authored with Eu Chye Tan)

Matthew McCartney (Oxford University)
“A Tinderbox and a Tiger: A Long-Run Evaluation of Economic Growth in India and Pakistan since Independence”

16:00-16:20 Tea Break

16:20-18:00 State, Institutions, and Comparative Economic Development
(Chair: Takashi Kurosaki)

Anne Booth (SOAS)
“Growing Public? Explaining the Changing Economic Role of the State in Asia over the 20th Century”

Machiko Nissanke (SOAS)
“International and Institutional Traps in Sub-Saharan Africa under Globalisation: a Comparative Perspective”

18:00-18:10 Closing Remark [Takashi Kurosaki, Machiko Nissanke]