

# Preface

The Institute of Humanities, Human and Social Sciences, Ritsumeikan University, which oversees the Research Project of Globalization and Publicity (RPGP), acted as host for the international symposium *Contemporary Transformation of Socio-Economic Structure under Neoliberal Globalization in East Asia* at Ritsumeikan University's Kinugasa Campus on March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in 2015. This symposium was also one of the 50th year anniversary projects sponsored by the Ritsumeikan College of Social Sciences.

Our Research Project, which works in collaboration with the Department of Sociology at Chung-Ang University (Korea) and the School of International Studies at Jinan University (China), has strived to gain fruitful insight into the possibilities of well-known instances of integration and cooperation in East-Asia and the impact of globalization on states and societies since 2007.

The symposium was designed to present the results of RPGP and promote exchanges within our research community. The previous symposium was held in February 2014 by the Department of Sociology at Chung-Ang University in Seoul.

For a special issue of *Journal*, an RPGP team collected articles submitted to the symposium. A speech was also given by distinguished professor Bob Jessop of Lancaster University during a preliminary talk on the eve of the symposium, dedicated to the memory of professor SHINODA Takeshi. The emeritus professor SHINODA was a leader of RPGP and the former Dean of the Ritsumeikan College of Social Sciences before passing away on November 11, 2014.

We would like to express our deep gratitude for your continuous and generous support.

Hori Masaharu

## Program

A Preliminary Talk on the eve of the Symposium

**Speaker: Bob Jessop, "The State: Past, Present, Future"**

### 1<sup>st</sup> Day (March 14)

- Welcome Speech, Prof. **Motoaki OZEKI** (Director of RRISSH)
- Remembering the late Prof. Takeshi SHINODA, **Harukichi SATO** (the ex-dean of RCSS)

#### ● **1st Session: Neoliberal Globalization**

Chair **Kiyoshi MATSUSHITA** (Ritsumeikan University)

Presenters

**Yoshikazu NAKATANI** (Ritsumeikan University)

"Opening Speech"

**Bob JESSOP** (Lancaster University)

"The Changing Role of States in Promoting and Resisting Neoliberal Globalization"

Discussants: **ZHUANG Liwei** (Jinan University)

**Jenn-Jaw SOOG** (National Cheng Kung University)

#### ● **2nd Session: Transformation of Socio-economic Structure**

Chair **Junri SAKURAI** (Ritsumeikan University)

Presenters

**Tomoaki EGUCHI** (Ritsumeikan University), Sinudom ARISSARA, Risa KATO, and Sungsu SHIN

"Economic Development Stages and Private Human Networks: From Aspects of Autonomous 'Mutual Assistance Payments' in Thailand and South Korea"

**Min-Ah LEE** (Chung-Ang University),

"The Effects of Economic and Health Conditions on the Transition to Living Alone: A longitudinal Study on Older Koreans."

**ZHAO Zile** (Jinan University)

"From Tradition to Modernity: The Role of Surname Network in International Trade"

Discussant: **Seung-wook BAEK** (Chung-Ang University)

**Takayuki YAMASHITA** (Ritsumeikan University)

#### ● **3rd Session: Nationalism and Regionalism**

Chair **Ian Hosack** (Ritsumeikan University)

Presenters

**Kunio MINATO** (Ritsumeikan University)

"Comparative Analyses of Exclusivism in Mongolia and East Asian Societies"

**CHEN Yiping** (Jinan University),

"The United States and East Asian Integration: A Perspective of International Political Economy"

**Jenn-Jaw SOONG** (National Cheng Kung University),

"East Asian Economic Integration and Taiwan's Regional Strategic Thinking"

Discussants: **Min-Ah LEE** (Chung-Ang University)

**Kiyokatsu NISHIGUCHI** (Ritsumeikan University)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Day (March 15)

#### ● **4<sup>th</sup> Session: Democracy and Civil Society**

Chair **Emi TAMAKI** (Ritsumeikan University)

Presenters

**Wataru OZAWA** (Ritsumeikan University)

"Volunteer Sector facing the Super Aged Society in Japan"

**EunWoo JOO** (Chung-Ang University)

"Close Encounters with the Asian Others on Screen: Changing Korean Ethnoscape and Its Cinematic Representations in the 2000s"

Discussants: **DENG Shichao** (Jinan University)

**Masato SHIZUME** (Ritsumeikan University)