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Core Project (Anthropology): "The Potential Value of Indigenous Knowledge in Managing Hazards in Asia and Africa", The Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

International Workshop

Thinking Resilience and Development from the "Exceptional" Africa

Aims and Scopes:

Since the adoption of MDGs and subsequent SDGs, and pledging that "no one will be left behind," African rural areas, which are considered to have been left behind, are attracting special attention internationally. This is based on the assumption that developmental efforts have been successful globally "except" for the marginalized areas in Africa. East African pastoralists are among the usual targets of various international humanitarian and developmental efforts since the Ethiopian famine in 1984. Pastoralists are currently considered to be suffering from extreme poverty, low intensity conflict, climate change, land grabbing, and land fragmentation. As a result, "crisis narratives with resilience thinking" have become dominant in humanitarian and developmental efforts in the area.

Recently, Emery Roe questioned a common narrative that Africa is the exception when it comes to development. He proposed to formulate counternarratives on African development as an alternative. This workshop intends to explore the counternarratives of African development starting from examining what is happening in the marginalized areas of Africa that have been labelled as an "exception" to the development. Instead of focusing on the risk avoidance culture, which is the basis of crisis and resilience narratives, we focus on the risk acceptance culture among the pastoralists and urban dwellers. What we intend here is not to adapt so-called "resilience thinking" to each field, but rather apply "thinking resilience" in the context of livelihood in Africa.

Date: February 1st, 2020

Venue: Keio University, Mita Campus, South building room 2B23 (2nd basement)
2-15-45 Mita, Minato-ku, Tokyo 108-8345 Japan

Admission free, advance reservations not required,

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Program

February 1st, 2020

13:00-13:10: Opening Remarks

Shinya KONAKA

13:10-14:30: **Keynote Speech**

Emery ROE A New Narrative for Pastoralism Today: Rethinking African Pastoralism within a Wider Framework

Presentations

14:30-15:00: Shinya KONAKA Rethinking Resilience of African Pastoralists in the Gaps

15:00-15:15: Coffee Break

15:15-15:45: Toru SAGAWA Pastoralists Start Fishing: Dynamics of Cultural Value on Non-Pastoral Activity among the Daasanach in East Africa

15:45-16:15: Xiaogang SUN Pastoralists' Perspective on Vulnerability and Response to Resilience Enhancing Project

16:15-16:45: Itsuhiro HAZAMA Citizenship Practice in the Resilience

16:45-17:15 Kenya ARAKI Digging out the Hope among Lottery Retailers and Punters: Case study in Lagos, Nigeria.

17:15-17:30: Coffee Break

17:30-18:00: Plenary Discussion

Keynote Speaker and Panelists

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Emery ROE (Senior Research Associate, Center for Catastrophic Risk Management, University of California Berkeley)

Panelists

Shinya KONAKA (Professor, School of International Relations, University of Shizuoka)

Toru SAGAWA (Associate Professor, Faculty of Letters, Keio University)

Xiaogang SUN (Specially Appointed Associate Professor, Graduate School of Area Studies of Asia and Africa, Kyoto University)

Itsuhiro HAZAMA (Associate Professor, School of Global Humanities and Social Sciences, Nagasaki University)

Kenya ARAKI (Ph. D. Candidate, Graduate School of Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences Ritsumeikan University)