

Seminar Asia Pacific Studies

“Urban Innovation and Resilience in Developing Countries”

Date and Time:

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Venue:

Zoom on line (please send your intention to participate to <asiapacific@cseas.kyoto-u.ac.jp>, and you will receive the zoom information)

Title:

“Urban Innovation and Resilience in Developing Countries”

Presenter:

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Abstract:

The presentation will focus on what constitutes urban innovation and what is resilience in the context of city development. The importance of urban management will be explained with emphasis in the capacity of cities to design and implement effective policies. Urban resilience will be covered with particular detail on the lack or weaknesses of the local infrastructure. Finally, it will be provided an overview of developing countries and context in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Commentator:

Dr. Nobuaki Hamaguchi

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About the Presenter:

Dr. Marco Kamiya leads global operational and normative work on infrastructure and energy, urban economy, municipal finance, innovation, and climate finance, working with cities and central governments supporting methodologies related with planning and participatory approaches. He has published *Economic Foundations for Sustainable Urbanization* (with Serge Salat, UN-Habitat & Morphologie Institute Paris), *Finance for City Leaders Handbook* (with Le Yin Zhang, UN-Habitat and University College London), the *Global Urban Competitiveness Report* that appears annually in Chinese and English. Previously, he occupied senior positions at CAF Development Bank of Latin America from Caracas, the Inter-American Development Bank from Washington DC, and with PADECO Co., Ltd in

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