



Online Open Symposium on 6<sup>th</sup> International Forum on Sustainable Future in Asia / NIES International Forum Day 2

## Online Open Symposium

### Linking Climate Change Action with Sustainability: New Ways of Building a Sustainable Asia after COVID-19 and the Role of Environmental Sciences

The 2019 Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) caused the ongoing global public health and economic crisis. While COVID-19 continues to present social, economic and health challenges in Asian countries, climate change and related anthropogenic activities also continue to impact vulnerable environments in the region. The idea of a “green recovery” is a new concept that aims to facilitate economic recovery from COVID-19 while simultaneously pursuing actions to address climate change. A green recovery represents a new opportunity for a transition to an environmentally sustainable society and is indispensable if Asian countries are going to realize economically and environmentally sustainable cities and regions in the face of both COVID-19 and the rapidly growing risks related to climate change.

To accelerate social transformation and fundamental changes under a green recovery strategy, adaptive and mitigative measures to climate change are being considered with increased urgency as solutions that facilitate smarter economic growth and improved public welfare in response to scientific forecasting of global warming impacts. This Open Symposium aims to facilitate exchanges of knowledge to link climate change actions with sustainability and to catalyze dialogue at the policy–research interface for a green recovery as well as to consider new ways of building a sustainable Asia after COVID-19 and the role of the environmental sciences in keynote speeches and panel discussions.

1. Date and Venue: January 20, 2021, 13:15-18:15 (JST)

Online Webinar style (Zoom)

2. Registration: Participation is free, Pre-registration required.

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3. Language: English

4. Program: *Please refer next page for details*

13:15-13:30 Opening Address

13:30-15:15 Keynote Speeches

15:15-15:30 Summary of the Expert Workshop

15:45-18:15 Panel Discussion and Closing Address

5. Forum Website: <https://www.nies.go.jp/i-forum/>



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### Keynote Speeches



Science-Based Climate Policy Making at the Local Level in Malaysia - Lessons Learnt from Collaborative Work among Universities and Research Institutions

Prof. Dr. HO Chin Siong  
Professor, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)

Climate Change Adaptation and Related Activities in South Korea: Climate Change and Post Corona-19 Era

Dr. Soojeong Myeong  
Senior Research Fellow, Korea Environment Institute

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Monitoring Wastewater: A Novel Environmental Infrastructure for Preventing Disease Outbreak in Urban Areas

Prof. Kensuke FUKUSHI, Vice Director, Institute for Future Initiatives,  
The University of Tokyo

### Panelist of Panel Discussion



(Facilitator) Dr. Yuichi MORIGUCHI, Vice President,  
National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)

Prof. Akimasa SUMI,  
Professor Emeritus, The University of Tokyo



Prof. Tsuyoshi FUJITA, Professor,  
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Dr. Naoya TSUKAMOTO, Director,  
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