Sophia University Academic Research Special Promotion Project

Comparative and International Education Research on Education for Sustainable Development in Asia

Values, Challenges and Prospects of Education for Sustainable Futures

The role of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) is attracting attention as a means of achieving the SDGs to solve global issues. Along with UNESCO's International Conference on ESD (2021), all schools in Japan, including UNESCO Associated Schools Project Network, are emphasizing education to nurture "creators for sustainable futures". In response to this, Sophia University has started an international joint research project on ESD (Sophia-ESD Project). In this symposium, we will discuss the significance and role of ESD as a kick-off of the project.

For more details about the speakers



Opening remarks

Prof. Takashi Okada Vice President for Academic Research Affairs, Sophia Univ.

Speech from the Guest

Ms. Taka Horio ASPnet National Coordinator in Japan

Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

Overview of the Sophia-ESD Project Miki Sugimura Faculty of Human Sciences, Sophia Univ.

Keynote speech *By Video Message

Mr. Shigeru Aoyagi Director, UNESCO Asia and Pacific Regional Bureau for Education, UNESCO Bangkok

Transformative Education and Agenda 2030: Fulfilling Our Commitment for the Next Generation

Dr. Blane Harvey William Dawson Scholars, McGill University

Transforming education for sustainable futures: What role can Education for Sustainable Development play?

Sessions (1) School Education and ESD

Modertor: Ms. Sayaka Matsukura Ina Gakuen Junior High School

Dr. Yukihiko Oikawa Senior Researcher, Center for Ocean Literacy and Education, The University of Tokyo

Masahiro Nasu / Masamichi Ueno / Yasushi Hirosato / Taro Komatsu Sophia Univ.

Session (2) Building ESD Communities of Practice

Moderator: Dr. Ying-Syuan Huang JSPS Research Fellow

Dr. Shinobu Yamaguchi Director, Institute for Advanced Studies, United Nations University, UNU-IAS

Ms. Jihong Lee Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding (APCEIU)

Ms. Sayaka Matsukura Ina Gakuen Junior High School

Hideki Maruyama / Maria Manzon Sophia Univ.

Closing remarks Miki Sugimura MC Nguyen Thanh Van Graduate School of Sophia University



Prof. Okada



Ms. Horio



Mr. Aoyagi



Dr. Harvey



Dr. Oikawa



Dr. Yamaguchi



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