

VIETNAM ACADEMY OF  
SOCIAL SCIENCES  
(VASS)



INSTITUTE  
FOR FAMILY AND GENDER  
STUDIES



KYOTO UNIVERSITY  
ASIAN STUDIES UNIT



UNIT OF KYOTO  
INITIATIVES FOR THE  
HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL  
SCIENCES



## Call for Application

### The 13th Next-Generation Global Workshop New Risks and Resilience in Asian Societies and the World

*Date: 21 -23 November 2020*

*Venue: Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, No. 1 Lieu Giai street, Ba Dinh, Hanoi, Vietnam*

#### I. Purpose

The Next-Generation Global Workshop (NGGW) has been held annually since 2008 to provide an opportunity for early-career scholars to present their research and to obtain feedback from an international audience. It has proved to be a pleasant and effective way for capacity building through the mentorship provided by the professors of participating universities around the world. It has also served as an invaluable opportunity for participants to learn from one another and deepen their understanding of various social phenomena in the world, particularly in Asia. Ultimately, the NGGW has acted as a forum for scholars of different generations and from various regions to build a common academic foundation by redefining Asia in a global context.

The 13th NGGW will expand the scope of participation, in which it does not only enable professors and early career researchers, but also policy makers to attend and discuss the arising risks and resilience in Asian societies and others, including European and North American societies which are facing similar issues and challenges. Therefore, the workshop plays the role as a meaningful bridge between academic forum and policy advocacy. The workshop's outcomes will be published in order that it might influence academic debate and policy direction. The 13th NGGW is also an opportunity to strengthen the network of professionals working in the area of family and development.

#### II. Workshop Theme: New Risks and Resilience in Asian Societies and the World

Recent decades have witnessed a surprisingly fast progression in the economies of Asia. The region has not only become the largest manufacturer, but also the biggest market in the world. Together with tremendous economic growth, our societies have faced a number of economic, cultural, and social challenges. Rapid population aging, strongly increased rural-urban migration and international migration create or accentuate social issues related

to care, policy, social services and adaptation. At the same time, the effects of inequality, climate change, etc. have become increasingly obvious prompting governments and individuals to make reforms and changes to cope with new risks. Demographic transition, international migration (including transnational marriage) and so on, have led to changes in family structure and values, and the emergence of new family patterns has created obstacles for families to perform traditional functions such as caring for the elderly and children. At the family and social level, women increasingly obtain higher education and participate widely in the labour market, yet continue to experience inequality in politics, health care, wage payment, and the quality of employment and social services etc. These facts contribute to the rise of new risks that challenge family life in particular and society in general and multifaceted way that requires suitable resilience and solutions. This year, the coronavirus pandemic challenges our resilience and ability to recovery at both the macro and micro levels. In both East and West, the upheaval confronts our health care systems, economy resilience, governance and international relationships around the world.

Resilience has been understood as the ability to reduce the chances of a shock or to absorb it when it happens. The concept also refers to the ability of a system to recover quickly after a shock. In other words, a resilient system should cover the whole process from preparation, consequences handling, and restoration. More specifically, resilience means to minimize possible failures and then to reduce the consequences from failures (in terms of lives lost, damage, and negative economic and social consequences), and finally, to speed up the recovery towards normality. Resilience may differ from one society to another, and from a certain risk to another.

This workshop will explore how individuals, families, societies perceive and adapt to risks in a given socio-cultural setting, and explore alternative dimensions of resilience from an interdisciplinary viewpoint. Based on these ideas, this workshop will explore a wide range of topics in Asian countries as follows (though not excluding others):

1. The impact of climate change and resilience in the face thereof
2. Population aging and social issues
3. Transformation of marriage and families
4. Gender (in)equality
5. Value changes
6. Social security
7. Pandemic, health and care models
8. Migration
9. Labor market flexibility and adaptability
10. Economic development patterns and trends.

### **III. Provisional Program of the Workshop**

#### **Day 1: 21 November 2020**

Opening addresses

Professors' sessions: By professors and experts from various universities

Sessions: Presentations by students and early-career scholars with comments and discussions by advisors (professors and experts from various universities)

#### **DAY 2: 22 November 2020**

Sessions: Presentations by students and early-career scholars with comments and discussions by advisors (professors and experts from various universities)

Wrap-up session

Professors' workshop: By professors and experts from various universities

KICAS (Kyoto International Consortium for Asian Studies) meeting

#### **DAY 3: 23 November 2020**

Fieldwork and Hand-over Meeting

### **IV. Application Schedule of the Workshop**

#### **Eligibility for application**

1. Master's students, Ph.D. students, Ph.D. candidates, post-doctoral fellows, and those who are in early-career and non-permanent positions (Please enclose the name of a professor who received the NGGW call for application message directly from the KUASU office as your referee).
2. Professors and Experts are invited to submit their ongoing papers/studies in the professor sessions.

#### **Selection**

The Organizing Committee will screen the applications based on candidates' qualifications and abstracts. Based on the quality of the abstracts, the Organizing Committee will provide travel grants for overseas and domestic presenters. We will announce each of these individually.

The travel award covers airfare and accommodation for three nights (shared twin room) according to the rules and regulations of the host institution. Flights and hotels will be arranged by our travel agent. The award does not include domestic transportation and other expenses.

Fee for registration, meals and travel to field work: No fee are required.

## **Important Dates:**

- Application deadline: 01 September 2020
- Notification of screening result: 15 September 2020 (Provision of travel grant to be decided at this time)
- Deadline for submission of full paper (4,000-6,000 words): 31 October 2020
- Workshop: 21-23 November 2020
- Deadline for submission of full paper for proceedings: 05 February 2021
- Publication of proceedings: around March 2021

## **Application guidelines**

Applicants should provide the following information in the text of the application email:

1. Name (please capitalize your surname and provide Chinese characters if applicable)
2. Paper Title
3. Position (Professor, Associate professor, master's student, Ph.D. student, etc.)
4. Affiliation
5. Postal Address, Telephone Number, and Email Address
6. Referee (Name and Affiliation)
7. Whether travel grant from KUASU office or the Organizing Committee is needed.
8. An abstract of 350-words maximum in English.

The application should be sent to: [kuasu.nextgeneration@bun.kyoto-u.ac.jp](mailto:kuasu.nextgeneration@bun.kyoto-u.ac.jp) and [kuasu.nextgenerationhanoi@vass.gov.vn](mailto:kuasu.nextgenerationhanoi@vass.gov.vn)

Email Subject Line should say: "Application for NGGW 2020"

## **Contact:**

Organizing Committee of the 13th Next-Generation Global Workshop, KUASU

- Tran Thi Minh Thi, Trinh Thai Quang, Nguyen Ha Dong, Nguyen Huu Minh, Tran Thi Hong, Phan Huyen Dan (Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, Vietnam)
- Ochiai Emiko, Asato Wako, Mieno Fumiharu, Deguchi Yasuo, Kawashima Takashi, Steven Ivings, Lu Wanxue, Hisada Yurie (Kyoto University, Japan)

Email: [kuasu.nextgenerationhanoi@vass.gov.vn](mailto:kuasu.nextgenerationhanoi@vass.gov.vn)  
[kuasu.nextgeneration@bun.kyoto-u.ac.jp](mailto:kuasu.nextgeneration@bun.kyoto-u.ac.jp)