

Draft programme for the RENKEI Researcher Online Workshop

Expanding Japan-UK Research Collaborations in Climate Change

Date: 10 December 2020

Time	Session	Notes
9:00 UK, 18:00 Japan	<p>1 Welcome - British Council Japan Paul Madden, British Ambassador and former climate negotiator (tbc)</p> <p>Welcome - Kyoto University</p> <p>Prof. Yasuyuki Kono, Vice-President for International Strategy, and Director of International Strategy Office, Kyoto University</p>	
<p>9:10 UK, 18:10 Japan</p> <p>Around 10 minutes each, plus questions</p>	<p>2 Keynote:</p> <p>UK: Professor Dame Janet Beer, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Liverpool, former President of Universities UK</p> <p>Ken O’Flaherty, COP26 Regional Ambassador for Asia/ Pacific and South Asia, FCO</p> <p>Japan:</p> <p>1) Dr. Hikaru Kobayashi Advisor, Research Center for Advanced Science & Technology, Visiting Prof.at the University of Tokyo “Tips for making Japan's environmental policy effective as a climate change countermeasure”(tentative)</p> <p>2) Prof. Mori, Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University</p>	<p>✓ We plan to invite government and higher education representatives to lay out the respective policies of the two countries, as we prepare for COP26.</p> <p>✓ There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions after short presentations by each keynote speaker.</p>

	<p>“Projecting the impact of global warming on disasters and elucidating the trend in future with no-regret adaptation strategies”</p>	
<p>10:00 UK, 19:00 Japan</p> <p>60 to 90 minutes depending on the number of presentations</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Sharing of interesting current research on climate change:</p> <p>5-minute presentations on one or more the following topics will be provided in advance by researchers from RENKEI member universities. Those selected to participate in this session (minimum of one researcher from each member university, maximum of two) will have the opportunity to summarise their presentations and respond to questions during a panel discussion on each RENKEI topic. On the basis of these presentations and the discussion in this session, we will identify areas in which RENKEI could explore new UK-Japan joint projects or research.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low carbon societies and green infrastructure • Future risks and adaptation in floods and water shortage • Future risks and adaptation in food production and security • Managing future risks and building resilience in urban areas • Future risks and adaptation in ecosystems • Future risks and adaptation in human health. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Participants selected to present in this session will be asked to upload a short presentation on their research by 4 December. Details of how to upload these videos are being sent to all registered participants. ✓ We will use Microsoft Teams to conduct the workshop and share documents. We are also considering the idea of using posters again.

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11:00 UK, 20:00 Japan	4	RENKEI universities' response to climate change and how universities look at the climate commitments and policies in place (with a focus on climate change-related university networks in each country)	✓ Several member universities
11:30 UK, 20:30 Japan	5	Introduction of the 2 nd online workshop and Wrap-up	✓ The second, follow-up workshop in early 2021 (January 18 or 19) will work to develop ideas for new joint projects or research, funding opportunities, and a chance to think in further detail about a joint statement which could be released in the run up to COP26.