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Forming a Social Well-being Research Consortium in Asia

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Outline of the Research

1 Aims

This research project aims (1) to investigate the current state and mechanism of social well-being in contemporary East and Southeast Asia by conducting cross-national questionnaire surveys in this region and (2) to form an international research consortium consisting of universities and institutes in the region for academic exchange on social well-being and other related studies.

Well-being, or the quality of life, has been one of the central themes in the field of social sciences. It relates not only to the socio-economic status of each individual such as income, employment, and education, but also to his or her social relations such as families and neighbors as well as to other social institutions such as the political system and religion. Therefore, in this project, we focus on the concept of social well-being rather than individual well-being to be explored both theoretically and empirically through inter-disciplinary approaches in social sciences including economics, sociology, and political sciences.

East and Southeast Asia is an attractive research area for exploring these themes because of its vast diversity in economic standard, political system, ethnicity, culture, and religion. The region also shares the historical trajectories of late-departed, thus quite rapid modernization, and the resulting social issues including sustainable economic development in the globalized market economy as well as sustainability in social security systems under low fertility rates. Therefore, this research project would contribute to expanded and deepened insight into social well-being for global academia in social sciences.

2 Activities

The four main activities of this project are as follows.

(1) Cross-national Questionnaire Surveys

Questionnaire surveys on social well-being entitled, "International Comparative Survey on Lifestyle and Values," are conducted in seven East and Southeast Asian countries. These surveys are designed for cross-national comparisons, so the main parts of the questionnaire are common in every country. The sample size varies by country, ranging from 1,000 to 10,000 and the respondents are distributed nationwide in each country.

(2) Symposia and Conferences

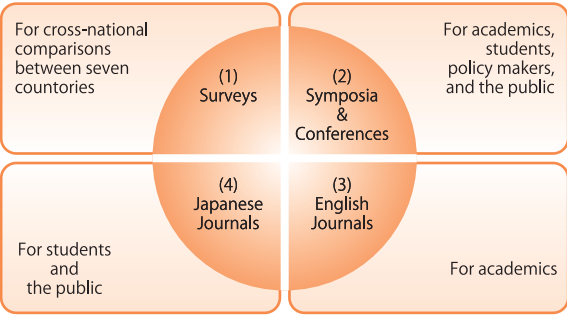
Symposia (when held in Japan) and conferences (held in other countries) are the first media to deliver our research outcomes for academics, students, policy makers and the public. We are holding symposia and conferences twice a year from 2016 on.

(3) English Journals

Annually published journal in English, *The Senshu Social Well-being Review* is the second platform to publish the findings on social well-being for mainly professional academic audience all around the world. The contents of the journal are published online at Senshu University Institute Repository, so everyone can access them freely.

(4) Japanese Journals

The Journal of Social Well-being Studies is also published annually in Japanese. It is mainly for graduate and undergraduate students, and the public in Japan who are interested in social well-being and related issues. This journal is also published online and is available free of charge.

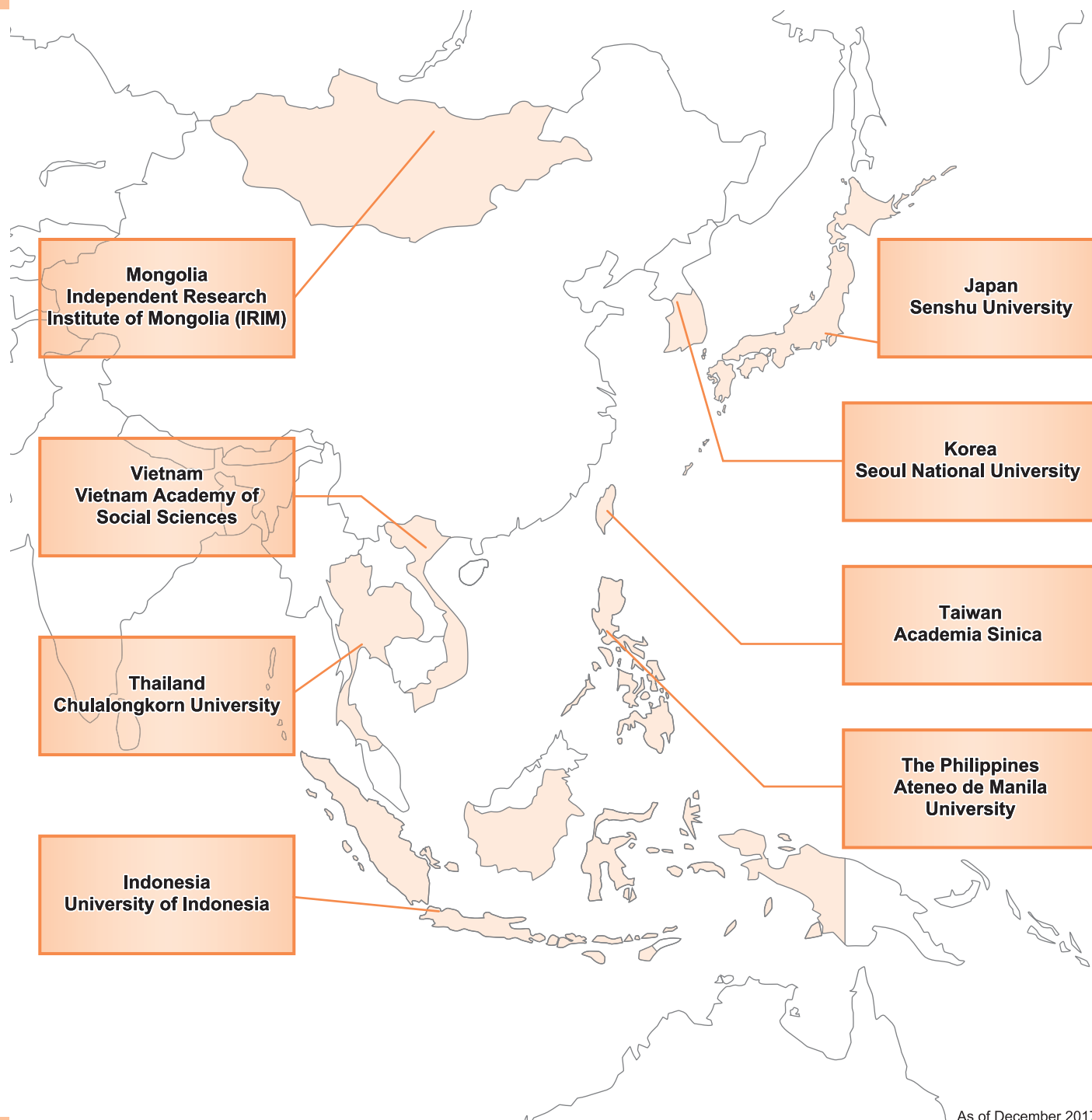


Outcomes of this project are often presented at international academic conferences in various fields and also published on referred journals worldwide. See the section on Selected Research Outcomes for further details.

Major Activities

Fiscal Year	2014	2015		2016	2017	2018
Surveys	Japan	Korea Vietnam		The Philippines Thailand	Indonesia Taiwan	
Symposia & Conferences	1st Symposium December 6, 2014 Tokyo, Japan	2nd Symposium November 28, 2015 Tokyo, Japan		3rd Symposium June 25, 2016 Kawasaki, Japan	2nd Conference October 12-13, 2017 Hanoi, Vietnam	4th Conference June 28-30, 2018 Seoul, Korea
		1st Project Seminar February 17-19, 2016 Fuji-Yamanakako, Japan		1st Conference March 9-10, 2017 Bangkok, Thailand	3rd Conference March 4-6, 2018 Magelang, Indonesia	4th Symposium November 23-25, 2018 Tokyo, Japan
The Senshu Social Well-being Review [in English]	No.1 March 2015	No.2 March 2016		No.3 September 2016	No.4 December 2017	No.5 December 2018
The Journal of Social Well-being Studies [in Japanese]	No.1 March 2015	No.2 March 2016		No.3 March 2017	No.4 March 2018	No.5 March 2019

Project Organization



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International Consortium for Social Well-being Studies

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Social Capital

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Research Fellows	Hyun-Chin Lim	Member, The National Academy of Social Sciences, Republic of Korea
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Dolgorsuren Gombojav	Dashzeveg Lkhagvanorov

Selected Publications

As of December 2017

(1) Articles

◆ 2015

- linuma, T., "Civicness in Question: The Case of Women's Activities in Rural Vietnam," *The Monthly Bulletin of Social Science*, 624:19-37.
- Inada, J., "Social Safety Net (SSN) in Vietnam: Comparative Analysis of Two Villages in the North and South in Terms of Community-based Social Safety Net and the Market Economy Wave," *The Monthly Bulletin of Social Science*, 624:38-54. [Reviewed]
- Kambara, S., "The Citizens' Perception of Community in Kawasaki City Centered around Community Association Members: Results of Questionnaire Survey Conducted through Voluntary Organizations for Disaster Management," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 1:105-25. [Reviewed]
- Lim, H.-C., "Changing Relationship between the State and Civil Society in South Korea: The Roles of NGOs in Vitalizing Cooperatives," *The National Academy of Sciences, Republic of Korea*, 54(2):117-52.
- Marumo, Y. and S. Kambara, "The Citizens' Perception of Community and Local Capabilities for Disaster Management in Kawasaki-shi: Result of Web-Based Questionnaire Analysis," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 1:69-104. [Reviewed]

◆ 2016

- Harada, H., "The Significance and Availability of Happiness Study," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 2:9-39. [Reviewed]
- Harada, H., "Happiness in Japan: From the Viewpoint of Age, Sex and Relative Wealthiness," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:1-17. [Reviewed]
- Kanai, M., "Contextual Effects of Bridging Social Capital on Subjective Well-being," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 2:41-50. [Reviewed]
- Koo, H.-R., J.-Y. Yee, E.-Y. Nam, and E.-S. Kim, "Dimensions of Social Well-being and Determinants in Korea: Personal, Relational, and Societal Aspects," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:37-58. [Reviewed]
- Marumo, Y., "Empirical Analysis of Community Bonding Social Capital—Impacts in Emergency and Normal Times in Japan—," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 2:51-83. [Reviewed]
- Marumo, Y., "Visualization of Cognitive Process about Income Gap in Japan: Model Constructions Using SEM and Mutual Relations among Respondents' Attributes," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:19-58. [Reviewed]
- Oyane, J., "Community Reconstruction from Flooding in Quang Phuoc Commune, Central Vietnam," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:111-45. [Reviewed]
- Sujatmiko, I. G., I. R. I. Pattinasarany, G. Upya, and R. W. Nihayah, "Social Well-being Research and Policy in Indonesia," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*,

3:75-92. [Reviewed]

- Sumi, E., "Subjective Well-being and Income Inequality," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 2:85-98. [Reviewed]
- Suzuki, N., "History and Forthcoming Challenges of Family Care Leave Related Systems in Japan," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:147-81. [Reviewed]
- Wirutomo, P., "Dealing with Brawls in Jakarta's Slum Area: Pursuing Social Development through Social Engagement," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:93-109. [Reviewed]
- Yazaki, K., "Basic Descriptive Statistics of Japan Social Well-being Survey," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 2:99-109. [Reviewed]
- Yee, J.-Y. et al., "Survey Design and Descriptive Outcomes of Korean Survey," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 3:59-74. [Reviewed]

◆ 2017

- Ahn, D.N., "Social Well-Being in Vietnam: Designing and Preliminary Results from a Sampling Survey," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:117-123.
- Kim, S. and J. Lim, "Patterns of Social Support Networks in Japan and Korea," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:3-19. [Reviewed]
- Lelièvre, E. et al., "Happiness, Health, and Well-Being in a Life Course Perspective: Quantitative Data Collection and Analysis of Sequences of Subjective Indicators," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:53-64. [Reviewed]
- Mueller, G.P., "Gender Inequality under Different National Welfare Regimes: An Empirical Evaluation with Entropy Measures from Information Theory," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:39-51. [Reviewed]
- Porio, E., "Social Well-Being in the Philippines: Indicators and Patterns," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:95-116.
- Seda, F.S. et al., "Policies, Social Exclusion, and Social Wellbeing in Indonesia and Malaysia," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:21-35. [Reviewed]
- Veenhoven, R., "Happiness Research: Past and Future," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:65-73. [Reviewed]
- Wun'gao, S. et al., "Social Well-Being in Thailand 2016: Survey Report," *The Senshu Social Well-being Review*, 4:75-93.
- Yee, J.-Y. and S.-H. Park, "Theoretical Reconstruction of the Concept of Social Well-being," *Health and Science* 44. [Reviewed]

(2) Presentations

(Except for the consortium's conferences)

◆ 2014

- [Jul 17] Harada, H. et al., "Social Capital of Seven Countries/Areas in East Asia: From the Questionnaire Approach," *18th ISA World Congress of Sociology*, Yokohama: Japan.
- [Nov 29] Harada, H., "Social Well-being/Capital in Asia: From the Questionnaire Approach," *2014 ANPOR Annual Conference*, Niigata: Japan.

◆ 2015

- [Aug 27] Harada, H., "Comparison of Social Well-being / Capital in East Asia," *9th ISTR Asia Pacific Regional Conference*, Tokyo: Japan.
- [Aug 27] Marumo, Y., "Some Causal Models of Relationships between Social Well-being and Community Resilience by Structural Equation Modeling," *9th ISTR Asia Pacific Regional Conference*, Tokyo: Japan.
- [Aug 27] Shimane, K. and K. Yazaki, "How the Tie with Neighborhood Weaken? From the Aspect of Participation to Marriage and Funeral Ceremony," *9th ISTR Asia Pacific Regional Conference*, Tokyo: Japan.

◆ 2016



- [Jun 4] Kanai, M., "The Effect of Perceived Relative Income on Subjective Well-being Compared to Objective Income," *9th INAS Conference*, Utrecht: Netherlands.
- [Jul 11] Harada, H., "Happiness in Japan: From the Viewpoint of Age, Sex and Relative Wealthiness," *3rd ISA Forum of Sociology*, Vienna: Austria.
- [Jul 12] Kanai, M., "Coexisting Mechanisms from Bonding/Bridging Social Capital to Subjective Well-being," *3rd ISA Forum of Sociology*, Vienna: Austria.
- [Jul 25] Kanai, M., "Perception of Inequality and Social Well-being," *24th World Congress of Political Science*, Poznan: Poland.
- [Jul 25] Sumi, E., "Subjective Well-being and Regional Characteristics," *24th World Congress of Political Science*, Poznan: Poland.
- [Aug 19] Kanai, M., "Who is the Reference Point in Judging One's Well-being?: Comparison between Three Types of Relative Deprivation Measure," *6th Joint Japan-US Conference on Mathematical Sociology and Rational Choice*, Seattle: USA.
- [Aug 31] Kanai, M., "Dual Deprivation of Well-being by One's Origin: The Effect of Three Kinds of Relative Deprivations on Subjective Well-being," *ISA RC28 Summer Meeting*, Bern: Switzerland.

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- [Mar 24] Shimane, K., "The social bond with the dead: how the funeral transformed rapidly in Japan?," *First Kyoto Workshop on Evolutionary Thanatology: An Integrative Approach to the Study of Death and Dying*, Kyoto: Japan.
- [Mar 31] Yee, J.-Y., "Diagnosis of Korean Society and Prospect for Social Integration," *2017 Symposium for the Development of Civil Society and Social Integration*, Seoul: Korea.
- [Apr 21] Kanai, M., "The Effect of Subjective Mobility on Life Satisfaction: Comparison between Japan and Korea," *2017 ISA RC55 Mid-term Conference*, Taipei: Taiwan. [Reviewed]
- [Apr 21] Harada, H., "Well-being/Happiness in Japan: From a Questionnaire Survey on Lifestyle and Values," *2017 ISA RC55 Mid-term Conference*, Taipei: Taiwan. [Reviewed]
- [May 17] Shimane, K., "The rights to be cared in the end-of-life and after-life; Transformation of aging and dying in Japan," *Marx 200: Karl Marx's Thought on*

Distributive Justice and its Current Relevance, Hanoi: Vietnam.

- [Jun 9] Kanai, M., "How and Why Perceived Unfairness Lowers Wellbeing? Based on Empirical Evidences from Asian Countries," *10th Conference of the International Network of Analytical Sociologists*, Oslo: Norway. [Reviewed]
- [Jun 11] Kanai, M., "Latent Transition from Modern to Post-modern Values in Contemporary Japan: Changing Roles of Bonding and Bridging Social Capital," *The Third Biennial IAJIS Conference*, Haifa: Israel. [Reviewed]
- [Jun 23] Yamamoto, K., "Estimating Effect of Change in Policy Preference on Change in Voting Intention Over Time: Micro-foundation for Theories of Parties' Move," *7th Annual General Conference of the European Political Science Association*, Milan: Italy. [Reviewed]
- [Jul 20] Kanai, M., "Social Capital and Well-being in Plural Modernizations: Comparison between Japan, Korea, and Vietnam," *10th International Convention of Asia Scholars*, Chiangmai: Thailand. [Reviewed]
- [Jul 20] Kim, E.-S. et al., "A Comparative Study of Social Well-being and its Determinants in Three Asian Countries: Korea, Japan, and Vietnam," *10th International Convention of Asia Scholars*, Chiangmai: Thailand.
- [Jul 20] Kim, S. and J. Lim., "Patterns of Social Support Networks and Their Impact on Social Well-being in Korea, Japan and Vietnam," *10th International Convention of Asia Scholars*, Chiangmai: Thailand.
- [Jul 20] Osaki, H., "Trust and Life Satisfaction in Japan, Korea and Vietnam," *10th International Convention of Asia Scholars*, Chiangmai: Thailand.
- [Jul 20] Yazaki, K., "Dilemma between Family and Civil Society: How Trust Promotes Well-being?," *10th International Convention of Asia Scholars*, Chiangmai: Thailand.
- [Aug 7] Suzuki, N., "Subjective Happiness and Life Satisfaction among Japanese Family Caregivers," *19th ARAHE Biennial International Congress*, Tokyo: Japan. [Reviewed]
- [Aug 21] Yee, J.-Y., "Why Social Value became an Important Issue in Contemporary Society," *2017 Incheon Forum Plenary Session*, Seoul: Korea.
- [Sep 28] Kanai, M., "How Bonding and Bridging Social Capital Promote Well-being? Comparison between Japan and Korea," *15th ISQOLS Annual Conference*, Innsbruck: Austria. [Reviewed]
- [Sep 28] Harada, H., "Well-being in Japan: From a Questionnaire Survey on 2015," *15th ISQOLS Annual Conference*, Innsbruck: Austria. [Reviewed]
- [Oct 26] Yee, J.-Y., "Why Social Wellbeing Matters: Searching for New Model among Society, Mind, and Health," *2017 Annual Meeting of Korean Sociological Association*, Seoul: Korea.
- [Nov 9] Yee, J.-Y., "Critical Transformation and Social Value," *"Social Value: Institutionalization of Cooperation, Innovation, and Responsibility" Conference organized by Korean Sociological Association*, Seoul: Korea.



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Institute for the Development of Social Intelligence, Senshu University

Senshu University believes that social intelligence is essential for those who intend to contribute to resolve various social problems in the 21st century and concurrently achieve self-actualization. Hence, Senshu University's vision for the 21st century is "development of social intelligence." The Graduate Institute for the Development of Social Intelligence was launched in February 2003 in order to realize this vision. Since the activity being the development of social intelligence should not be limited to the graduate school of the university, this institute included the university as a whole in April 2006. Accordingly, the name was changed to The Institute for the Development of Social Intelligence. This institute aspires to support specialized and interdisciplinary general research and educational activities in various fields, which are applicable to globalized societies.

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