

# UNESCO Chair on Education for Human Dignity, Peace and Sustainability

The UNESCO Chair is a team led by higher education or research institution that partners with UNESCO on a project to address the interdependent challenges of today's increasingly complex world. Sophia University has recently been selected as a UNESCO Chair on Education for Human Dignity, Peace and Sustainability. This symposium will discuss the roles of UNESCO Chairs in transformation of education with partner institutions\*.

## Opening remarks

**OKADA Takashi** Vice President for Academic Research Affairs, Sophia University

## Guest speech

**MOTOMURA Hiroaki**

Director for International Strategic Planning, Office of the Director-General for International Affairs, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

**H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma (Online)**

Chair of the H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma Foundation

**Charles HOPKINS**

UNESCO Chair Holder in Reorienting Education towards Sustainability /  
Professor of Faculty of Education, York University

## Keynote speech

**“Shaping Futures: Transformative Education for Human Dignity,  
Peace and Sustainability”**

**Faryal KHAN** Programme Specialist for Education, Head of ESD, GCED,  
and Learning UNESCO Regional Office in Bangkok



## About UNESCO chair

**SUGIMURA Miki**

UNESCO Chair Holder / Professor of Faculty of Human Sciences,  
Sophia University



Speakers' profile

## Panel discussion

**“Transformative Education and Roles of the UNESCO Chair”**

Representatives from Partner Institutions

## Wrap-up

**Faryal KHAN**

## Closing remarks

**SUGIMURA Miki**

**MC: UMEMIYA Naoki**

Professor of Center for Global Education and  
Discovery, Sophia University



Onsite

Registration



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\*Sophia University was appointed to UNESCO Chair with the recommendation of the following 8 partner institutions: Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF), Asia Pacific Center of Education for International Understanding (APCEIU), Center for International Higher Education, Boston College, Egypt-Japan University of Science and Technology, Gokongwei Brothers School of Education and Learning Design of Ateneo de Manila University, International Islamic University Malaysia, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Bogota, United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Studies for Sustainability (UNU-IAS)

**Date: 17:00-19:00 (JST) , Wed., 28 February 2024**

**Venue: Sophia University Yotsuya Campus, Bldg. 2 #1702 / Zoom webinar**

Language: English (Japanese simultaneous interpretation available only via Zoom.)\*

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