

# Creativity and Critical Thinking in Higher Education

Sunday, December 15 16:00~18:00 (JST)

Sophia University Yotsuya campus, Bldg. #2, Room 1701 (Max.100 sheets) or Zoom (No limitation) Language: Japanese and English\* (interpretation via Zoom)

As visualisation of learning outcomes in higher education becomes a global challenge, growing interest emerged in how to foster creativity and critical thinking beyond knowledge and expertise limited to traditional disciplines. In this symposium, we will discuss the role of competency-based education as a cornerstone of transformative education in OECD's discussions and the context of Japan, based on empirical research on environmental studies, service-learning and Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) conducted at Sophia University and International Christian University.

## Opening Remarks

**Takashi Okada**

Vice President for Academic Research Affairs, Sophia Univ.

## Introduction

**Miki Sugimura**

Prof. Faculty of Human Sciences, Sophia Univ.

## Keynote Speech

**1 Mr. Shun Shirai**

Director, Council for Science, Technology and Innovation, Cabinet Office



Shun Shirai

**2 Mr. Stéphan Vincent-Lancrin (online)**

Deputy Head of the Centre for Educational Research and Innovation (CERI)/  
Senior Analyst at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development(OECD)



Stéphan Vincent-Lancrin

## Discussant

**Prof. James Williams (online)**

Professor, International and Comparative Education, George Washington University  
UNESCO Chair Holder in International Education for Development



James Williams

**Prof. Masahiro Nasu (online)**

Professor, Faculty of Human Science, Department of Education, Sophia University



Masahiro Nasu

## Panel discussion

**International Christian University**

**Mikiko Nishimura / Tatsuo Nunoshiba / Ryosuke Fujinuma**

**Sophia University**

**Taro Komatsu / Mikiko Sugiura / Miki Sugimura**

Facilitator : Takehito Kamata Sophia Univ.

## Wrap-up

**Prof. Mikiko Nishimura**

International Christian University (ICU)

## Closing Remarks

**Miki Sugimura**



About the  
Speakers

Zoom



Registration



In-person

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