

Does Digital Technology Advance Gender Equality?

This seminar will discuss how to engage in promoting gender equality in digital technology by learning from the domestic and international cases.

Keynote Speech & Selected Cases:

From Friday 14th to Monday 31st October 2022 (On-demand Videos)

Keynote Speech

Focusing on Digital Technology for Closing the Gap in Gender Equality

Dorothy Gordon

Chair, Information for All Programme, UNESCO



She is the leading expert in the field of technology and development with a focus on digital transformation. Her work has drawn attention to building awareness, deepening understandings of and engaging in the impact of technology on society with gender perspectives. Out of her extensive managerial experience with the United Nations and the public sector in Africa and Asia, she advises diverse stakeholders including civil society organisations and the private sector. Her current interests cover gender and technology, digital and information literacy in indigenous languages, technology in education, language technologies and artificial intelligence.

Selected International and Domestic Cases

This part introduces selected cases which delivered services for promoting innovation by women and promoting gender–responsive approach to the innovation process and promotion video produced by UNESCO.



Salam Al-Nukta
Serial Social Entrepreneur,
Founder / CEO of ChangeMakers

She started ChangeMakers which is a youth-led initiative aiming to close the gender gap in tech fields by empowering young girls with programming courses. She is also a member of Generation Equality Youth Task Force.



Dr. Kalpana Viswanath Co-Founder / CEO of Safetipin

She has worked on issues of gender and urbanisation for over 20 years with several organisations including UN Women, UN Habitat and a local NPO Jagori in Delhi in India. Her passion to improve urban safety made her an entrepreneur of digital application which used not only in cities in India but in various cities across Asia, Africa and Latin America.



Dr. Yoshimi Ui CEO of aba Inc.

She decided to pursue her career in robotics for reducing the burden of caregivers out of her experience of caring her grandmother. She became an entrepreneur and developed the excretion censoring machine "Helppad" and mother of two at home.

(with English Subtitles)

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Panel Discussion

From 2pm to 4pm on Friday 21st October 2022 (JST)

(Conducted in Japanese only)

Towards a Gender-Equal Use of Digital Technology

Panelists



Prof. Tadashi Kobayashi

Director General, Research Institute of Science and Technology for Society (RISTEX), Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), Professor Emeritus, Osaka University

His research interests include philosophy of science, science, technology and society (STS) studies. He served as a member of organizers and a facilitator of the first Nation-wide Consensus Conference on GMOs (2000), the first President of Japanese Society for Science and Technology Studies (2001- 2003), and a Director of "World Wide Views on Global Warming Project" in Japan (2009).



Sayaka Tanaka Co-Founder, Nonprofit

Co-Founder, Nonprofit Organization Waffle

She established NPO Waffle to close the gender gap in the IT field, which provides coding training courses for girls as well as making policy recommendations. She was selected as one of the "30 under 30" by Forbes JAPAN magazine in 2020.



Kenichiro Fukushima

Director Representative, Code for Kanazawa

He started civic tech in Japan for the first time in 2013 to solve social issues with technology. He engaged in the development of various applications such as "Noto Not Alone", an information application useful for child caring.

Coordinator

Natsuko Hagiwara President

National Women's Education Center of Japan



On-Demand Session:

From 9am on Wednesday 26th to 5pm on Monday 31st October 2022.

Registration

Registration starts on Monday 26th September 2022 on the NWEC website.

The program is subject to change or cancelation due to unavoidable situation. The latest updates to be posted on the NWEC website.



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