

Disruptive Inclusive Innovation (DII) Seminar #4

Technology for the Last Mile

Lean Experimentation and Impact Measurement

ラストマイルで必要とされるテクノロジーとは

～実証実験による検証とインパクトの計測～



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Date & Time

Nov. 13th, 2019

18:20–19:50

Venue

GRIPS

Room 1ABCC, 3F

7-22-1 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo

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Language English / Japanese

*Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

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13th**
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[Abstract]

The social problems in developing countries remain unsolved even though those problems are able to be solved by science and technology. The biggest challenge to solve the problems in developing countries is a process to deploy technology and innovation to potential users, which is called “Technology for the Last Mile.” The Kopernik has been challenging to deliver technology capturing the needs of people living in the last mile since the foundation. This seminar aims to share the Kopernik’s experience and challenges of experimentation, consulting and technology distribution in the last mile with audience.

[Time Table]

18 : 20-18 : 30	Setting a scene Michiko Iizuka (GRIPS)
18 : 30-19 : 10	Keynote speech Toshi Nakamura (Kopernik)
19 : 10-19 : 25	Discussant Masanori KURISU (JICA)
19 : 25-19 : 45	Discussion, Q&A [Facilitator] Michiko Iizuka (GRIPS) Gerald Hane (GRIPS)
19 : 45-19 : 50	Closing
19 : 50-	Networking



Toshi Nakamura Co-Founder & CEO, Kopernik

Toshi co-founded Kopernik in 2010 with a vision to make international development more effective. Before starting Kopernik, Toshi dealt with governance reform, peace building processes, and post-disaster reconstruction at the United Nations (UN) in Timor-Leste, Indonesia, Sierra Leone, the United States and Switzerland for 10 years.



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Present-	Current Position
2019-2016	Africa Department
2015-1997	Agriculture and Rural Development Dept., Grant Aid Dept., JICA Philippines Office, JICA Kenya Office, JICA Tokyo, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1997	Master Degree of Civil Engineering, Kyoto University
2006	Master Degree of Economics, University of Essex

[What is DII seminars?]

The DII seminar aims to create an open space for interaction among private, public, academic and third-party sectors to exchange new ideas, initiatives and views on innovation to meet Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

To materialize DII, fragmented communities of actors—ranging from those working for international cooperation, social entrepreneurs, business leaders with increasing interest in corporate social responsibility (CSR), start-ups & venture capitalists—need to communicate and exchange ideas to test their potential. This seminar, hence, hopes to become a seedbed for innovative ideas, collaborations and partnerships among different actors and to identify the policy agenda that helps accelerate such process.