

Japan Association for Social Policy Studies (JASPS) 134th (2017 Spring) Biannual Conference: Call for Papers

We invite ESPAnet members to present papers at the JASPS 134th Biannual Conference to be held in Tokyo on June 3-4 2017. The conference will be held at Meisei University in Tokyo.

JASPS is one of the oldest academic associations in Japan in the areas of labor/industrial relations and social policy studies, and started exchanges of scholars with ESPAnet from 2013. The JASPS 130th Biannual Conference in June 2015 organized two exchange sessions of JASPS-ESPAnet, and four papers by ESPAnet members were presented.

We are planning to organize JASPS-ESPAnet exchange sessions in the JASPS 2017 spring conference (June 3-4). In these sessions (planned to be held on June 4), all papers will be presented and discussed in English, and a relatively small numbers of presenters (both from ESPAnet and JASPS) will exchange opinions and comments based on presented papers.

We invite paper proposals in such area as labor/industrial relations, social security, health and social care, gender, family income and expenditure, and workers' cooperatives. It is JASPS policy that presenters of the conference write full papers so that participants of conference sessions can have fruitful exchanges of comments and opinions. If paper proposals are selected for presentation at the conference, presenters are required to submit full papers to the JASPS international exchange committee by May 17.

Please note that JASPS does not provide travel grants for airfare and lodging expenses. If paper proposals are selected for presentation at the conference, ESPAnet members will be waived JASPS membership fee and conference registration fee. They can attend for free a party to be held on the night of the first day of the conference (June 3). A letter of invitation from JASPS will be issued upon request. We will also provide ESPAnet members with information in English on accesses to conference venues.

ESPAnet members who meet either one of the three conditions are eligible for submitting paper proposals:

- those who have earned doctoral degree
- those who are currently enrolled in doctors' programs in graduate schools
- those who have published papers in academic journals

ESPAnet members currently living in Japan can also submit paper proposals. However, if these ESPAnet members are affiliated with universities or other academic institutions in Japan for a reasonable period of time, we will ask them to be members of JASPS first before submitting paper proposals (in other words, they will be asked to submit paper proposals as JASPS members, rather than as ESPAnet members).

Call for papers schedule:

The deadline of paper proposal submission is January 16, 2017.

Please include your name, your affiliation, a paper title, a 200 words paper abstract, and a list of your publications in academic journals (if any) in your proposal. Please send your paper proposal via e-mail to Akira Suzuki, the Ohara Institute for Social Research, Hosei University (chair of the JASPS International Exchange Committee).

Mail address is as follows:

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Those whose paper proposals are accepted for presentation at the conference will be notified by the beginning of March at the latest. They will also be notified participants of a JASPS-ESPAnet exchange session(s). An English version of the conference program (with access information to the conference venues) will be sent by the middle of May 2017.

JASPS 134th Biannual Conference Information:

Date: June 3-4, 2017

(JASPS-ESPAnet exchange sessions will be held on June 4)

Venues: Meisei University

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