

Japan Association for Social Policy Studies (JASPS) 130th (2015 Spring) Biannual Conference: Call for Papers

We invite ESPANET members to present papers at the JASPS 130th Biannual Conference to be held in Tokyo on June 27-28 2015. The conference will be held at Ochanomizu University and Senshu University, both of which are located at the center of 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 is planning to organize “international sessions” in which all papers will be presented and discussed in English. In these sessions, 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 conference organizing committee about one month before the conference date.

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. 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 proposals is January 19, 2015.

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 (vice chair of the JASPS International Exchange Committee).

Mail address is <insmove [at mark] hosei.ac.jp>.

Those whose paper proposals are accepted for presentation at the conference will be notified by February 28, 2015. They will also be notified of a deadline and method of paper submission. An English version of the conference program (with access information to the conference venues) will be sent by the end of May 2015.

JASPS 130th Biannual Conference Information:

Date: June 27-28, 2015

Venues: Ochanomizu University and Senshu University (both are located at the center of Tokyo)