

# World Economies Surviving and Thriving through COVID-19 and beyond (Discussion)

International Webinar

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# RIETI's Research on Covid-19

[Discussion Papers] 12 papers have been issued.

- ▶ Inoue, Hiroyasu and Yasuyuki Todo (2020). “The Propagation of Economic Impacts through Supply Chains.” RIETI Discussion Paper, 20-E-037. ⇒ *CovidEconomics, Issue 2*
- ▶ Kikuchi, Shinnosuke, Sagiri Kitao, and Minamo Mikoshiba (2020b). “Who Suffers from the COVID-19 Shocks?” RIETI Discussion Paper, 20-E-064. ⇒ *CovidEconomics, Issue 40*
- ▶ Yano, Makoto (2020). “Covid-19 Pandemic and Politics: The Cases of Florida and Ohio.” RIETI Discussion Paper, 20-E-040.
- ▶ Fujita, Masahisa and Nobuaki Hamaguchi (2020). “Globalization as Civilizational Progress and the Covid-19 Pandemic.” RIETI Discussion Paper, 20-P-015.
- \* Ando *et al.* (2020); Kikuchi *et al.* (2020a); Morikawa (2020a, b, c); Thorbecke (2020a, b); Ueda *et al.* (2020)

→ Many new research projects related to Covid-19 have started, including a new project on the Covid-19 antibody test (led by Makoto Yano).

Kobayashi, Keiichiro and Masayuki Morikawa eds. (2020). *Economics of the COVID-19 Crisis*. Nikkei Publishing.

\* 17 RIETI research fellows (SF, FF) contributed to this book.



## Discussion

1. Social and Natural Factors in the Covid-19 Pandemic (*Makoto Yano*)
  2. Economics of the Coronavirus (*Dale Jorgenson*)
  3. Covid, Globotics, Development, and the Future of Work (*Richard Baldwin*)
- Policy implications. For example,
    - How can we select/make good political leaders? How can we improve social capital?
    - How can we mitigate negative impact of COVID-19 on long-term growth?
    - How can we tackle the expansion of economic inequality (arising partly from robotics and tele-migration)?
  - What is the expected contribution of research in economics (and the role of research institutes).