

# "Economics of Foreign Aid"

Date: July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 9:15 - 18:20

Venue: The Research Institute of Economy, Trade, and Industry (RIETI)

While enormous studies on foreign aid have been accumulated, we have not yet reached to a consensus about aid effectiveness in developing countries. This workshop aims to discuss the research frontiers of foreign aid.

## Schedule

**Opening Remarks: Masahisa Fujita (CRO of RIETI) 9:15 – 9:20**

**Introduction: Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo) 9:20 – 9:30**

**Session 1: Aid Proliferation (Chair: Yasuyuki Todo) 9:30 – 11:30**

### **Aid Proliferation and Economic Growth**

Author: Hidemi Kimura (RIETI)

Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)

Yuko Mori (Graduate School, Hitotsubashi University)

Discussant: Aminur Rahman (International Finance Corporation, The World Bank Group)

Akira Nishiyama (Keio University)

### **Aid Fragmentation in the Transition Countries**

Author: Aminur Rahman (International Finance Corporation, The World Bank Group)

(with Stephen Knack)

Discussant: Yutaka Arimoto (JSPS Research Fellow/University of Tokyo)

Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)

### **Foreign Aid and Recurrent Cost: Donor Competition, Aid Proliferation and Budget Support**

Author: Yutaka Arimoto (JSPS Research Fellow/University of Tokyo)

Hisaki Kono (Institute of Developing Economies)

Discussant: Aminur Rahman (International Finance Corporation)

Koichi Takase (Waseda University)

~ 10 minutes break (11:30–11:40) ~

**Session 2: Gains from Aid (Chair: Ken Togo) 11:40 – 13:00**

### **The Return to Foreign Aid**

Author: Henrik Hansen (University of Copenhagen)

(with Carl Johan Dalgaard)

Discussant: Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)

Hisaki Kono (Institute of Developing Economies)

### **Intertemporal Distribution of Foreign Aid**

Author: Koichi Takase (Waseda University)  
Discussant: Takumi Naito (Tokyo Institute of Technology)  
Akira Momota (Osaka Prefecture University)

~ Lunch Time (13:00–14:00) ~

### **Session 3: Different Angle (Chair: Junichi Hasegawa) 14:00 – 16:00**

#### **Is Foreign Aid a Vanguard of FDI? A Gravity-Equation Approach**

Author: Hidemi Kimura (RIETI)  
Yasuyuki Todo (University of Tokyo)  
Discussant: David Roodman (Center for Global Development)  
Kaliappa Kalirajan (National Graduate Institute of Policy Studies)

#### **On the Role of Technical Cooperation in International Technology Transfers**

Author: Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)  
Ayako Matsuda (Graduate School, University of Tokyo)  
Hidemi Kimura (RIETI)  
Discussant: Henrik Hansen (University of Copenhagen)  
Kiyoto Kurokawa (Japan International Cooperation Agency)

#### **What We Don't Know about Aid and Growth**

Author: David Roodman (Center for Global Development)  
Discussant: Yasuyuki Todo (University of Tokyo)  
Takashi Kurosaki (Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University)

~ Coffee Break (16:00–16:20) ~

### **Session 4: Evaluation of Donors (Chair: Motoki Takahashi) 16:20–18:20**

#### **Is Aid Allocation Consistent with Global Poverty Reduction? A Cross-Donor Comparison**

Author: Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)  
Takashi Kurosaki (Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University)  
(with Hiroyuki Yamada)  
Discussant: Koji Yamazaki (Kwansei Gakuin University)  
Jonna Estudillo (National Graduate Institute of Policy Studies)

#### **The Millennium Development Goals and Aid Allocation: Which donors give high-quality aid?**

Author: Hidefumi Kasuga (Kansai University)  
Discussant: Henrik Hansen (University of Copenhagen),  
Naoko Shinkai (Nagoya University)

#### **2006 Index of Donor Performance: Selectivity and Project Proliferation**

Author: Ken Togo (Musashi University)  
Yoshio Wada (National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies)  
Discussant: David Roodman (Center for Global Development)  
Junichi Hasegawa (International Center for the Study of East Asian Development)

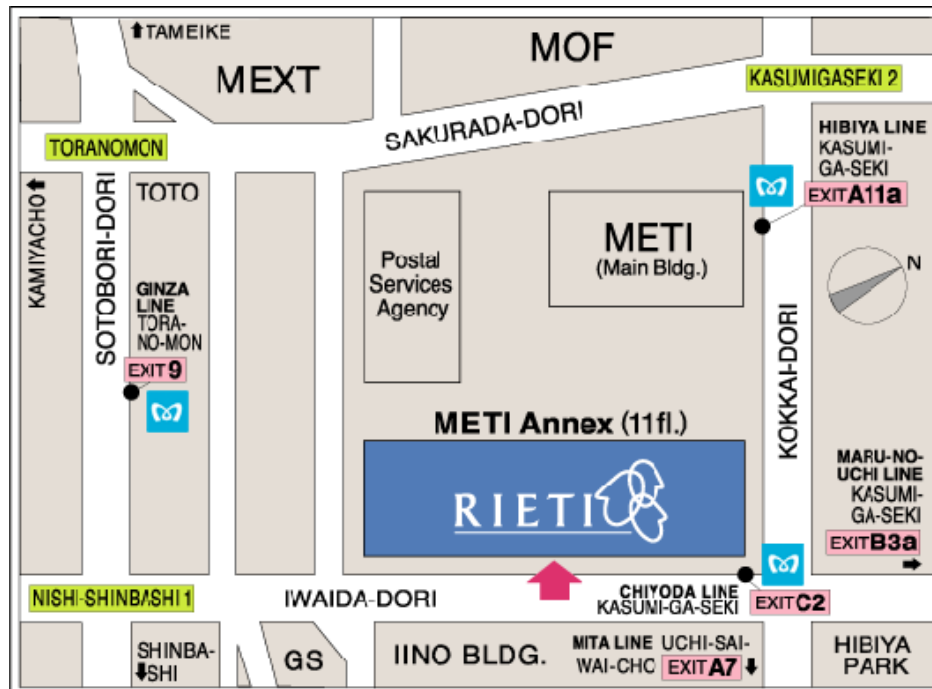
- Guidelines for Presentation

25 minutes are allotted to each speaker to present her/his paper, 5 minutes to each discussant and 5 minutes to the discussion with the floor, respectively. A personal computer, beamer for Power-point presentations, a projector for slide presentations and a white board are all available in the conference room.

- Conference Location

Conference Room No.1121&1119, 11th floor, Annex, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)

1-3-1, Kasumigaseki Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-8901 JAPAN



### Metro Information

Tokyo Metro Chiyoda Line, Kasumigaseki station, exit C2. 2 minutes walk.

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Tokyo Metro Marunouchi Line, Kasumigaseki station, exit B3a. 9 minutes walk.

Tokyo Metro Ginza Line, Toranomom station, exit 9. 4 minutes walk.

Tokyo Metro Mita Line, Uchisaiwaicho station, exit A7. 6 minutes walk.