## AAEE Biennial Conference 2023 Listen, Learn, Transform

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## **Abstract Submission Form and Speaker Profile**

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Title	Dr	First Name	Fumiko	Family Name	Noguchi
Position/Role		Research Fellow			
Organisation you will represent		JICA Ogata Research Institute, Tokyo, Japan			
Personal Bio Max. 100 words		I have engaged with practices, policy advocacies, research and teaching on EE and ESD for local communities in Asia and Pacific for over 25 years through my works for UN, NGO, universities and private sectors. Focusing on marginalised peoples including indigenous peoples, small-scale farmers and fishing folks and women, I have investigated the issue of epistemological power in their community participation process. Recent publications include Rethinking Education for Sustainable Development in a Local Community Context (Noguchi, 2022). Lived, worked and studied in Australia for 12 years. Completed PhD at RMIT University and master's degree at Griffith University.			
Title of Presentation		Integration of local knowledge in sustainable community development for climate change adaptation and empowerment of vulnerable community peoples			
Format of Presentation (please select)		<ul> <li>☑ Oral Presentation (20 minutes)</li> <li>☐ Workshop - 60 minutes (eg interactive indoor session)</li> <li>☐ Workshop - 120 minutes (eg outdoor activity)</li> <li>Indicate your preferred presentation types (you may select more than one)</li> <li>NB: We may not be able to offer your preferred option</li> </ul>			
Which theme would you prefer to present under? (please select)		☐ Theme 1: Listen ☐ Theme 2: Learn ☑ Theme 3: Transform			
Introduction		This presentation will share the outline and process of the research I have conducted for JICA Institute for the precious feedback from the AAEE Conference participants.			
Presentation Abstract: max. 300 words		International communities, such as IPCC, started acknowledging the valuable contribution of local and indigenous knowledges to the solution of climate change challenges. Currently, there is hardly any mechanism to ensure the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities to integrate their knowledges in the community development process. Environmental and social standards of public and private entities seem to be the only ones that stipulate the consultation with local			

stakeholders in community development projects. But these are to ensure zero or minimum negative impact of development activities, not to recognise them as knowledge holders.

Over 32.6 million people were living in internal displacement by disasters at the end of 2022 and weather-related disasters accounted for the majority of these (IDMC 2023). Local communities are/will be experiencing a dynamic flow of people and becoming more diverse and complex than ever. Then, how can experts and diverse indigenous/local community stakeholders have equal and fair dialogue and collaboration for achieving climate-adaptive and sustainable development? What mechanism would help them to overcome the power imbalance, gaps, tensions and the dichotomy between science and non-science, and mutually learn each other to forge adaptive knowledge for the local community?

This presentation will share the outline and process of the research I have conducted for JICA Institute: "Integration of local knowledge in sustainable community development for climate change adaptation and empowerment of vulnerable community peoples". Learning the lessons from the experience of revitalising cultural burning through the collaboration of Australian indigenous communities, government, researchers and NGOs, this research aims to develop a model framework for effective governance and capacity building for inclusive and participatory process making. Hopefully, the model could be utilised in local community development projects of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in Asia-Pacific and regional cooperation on this theme.

## **Key Message:** A short summary of presentation

The mechanism to support the equal and fair dialogue and collaboration between experts and indigenous/local communities is necessary for climate-adaptive and sustainable community development.

All abstracts must be received by 5pm **Friday** 26 May 2023 (AEST). We expect to notify speakers by mid June

**Note:** confirmed presenters will be required to register for the conference and pay the relevant registration fees.