

Japan Economic Seminar

A Center on Japanese Economy and Business (CJEB) Annual Event

Thursday, February 20, 2020, 1:00 – 6:00 pm

Feldberg Space (1st Floor), Warren Hall, Columbia Business School

Agenda (As of 2/12/2020)

1:00 – 1:05 Introduction

Takatoshi Ito, Professor, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University; Director, Program on Public Pension and Sovereign Funds, CJEB

Session 1: “Meritocracy and Its Discontent: Long-run Effects of Repeated School Admission Reforms” ([pdf](#))

1:05 – 1:35 Presenter: **Yusuke Narita**, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics & Cowles Foundation
Yale University; Visiting Assistant Professor, Stanford University

Coauthor(s): **Mari Tanaka; Chiaki Moriguchi**

1:35 – 1:55 Discussants: **Yeon-Koo Che**, Columbia University; **Charles Horioka**, Kobe University

1:55 – 2:10 Floor discussion

Session 2: “Do Trade-originated Income Shocks Mobilize Higher Backlash Against Free Trade?” ([pdf](#))

2:10 – 2:40 Presenter: **Megumi Naoi**, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science,
University of California, San Diego

2:40 – 3:00 Discussants: **Shujiro Urata**, Waseda University; **Shigeo Hirano**, Columbia University

3:00 – 3:15 Floor discussion

3:15 – 3:45 *Coffee break*

Session 3: “Spatially Uneven Pace of Deindustrialization within A Country” ([pdf](#))

3:45 – 4:15 Presenter: **Kozo Kiyota**, Professor of Economics, Keio Economic Observatory,
Keio University; Visiting Colleague, Department of Economics, University of Hawaii,
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4:15 – 4:35 Discussants: **Justin Pierce**, Federal Reserve Board; **Peter Schott**, Yale School of Management

4:35 – 4:50 Floor discussion

Session 4: “Low Rates and Bank Loan Supply: Theory and Evidence from Japan”
([pdf](#))

- 4:50 – 5:20 Presenter: **Cynthia Balloch**, Assistant Professor of Finance, London School of Economics and Political Science
- Coauthor(s):* **Yann Koby**
- 5:20 – 5:40 Discussants: **Kimie Harada**, Chuo University; **Etsuro Shioji**, Hitotsubashi University
- 5:40 – 5:55 Floor discussion
- 5:55 – 6:00 Conclusion

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