

Asia Pacific Conference 2023

Shaping a New World from Asia Pacific
December 2(Sat) - 3 (Sun) 2023

Since its inception in 2003, the AP Conference has provided researchers from around the world with the opportunity to present their research.

The theme for the AP Conference 2023 is "Shaping a New World from Asia Pacific", and attendees can expect thought-provoking discussions and presentations on geopolitics, economics and finance, technology, cultural issues, tourism, and much more.

With over 300 registered participants from 45 countries around the Indo-Pacific Region and further afield, the AP Conference is a fantastic opportunity to hear from some of the most well-renowned professors and experts in the Asia-Pacific Region, as well as a chance to network with others in your field of study.

Keynote Speech:

**Shaping Indian Higher
Education for Globalization:
Challenges, Opportunities and
Way Forward**

DR. MAMIDALA JAGADESH KUMAR

Chairman, University Grants Commission, India



This year APU is delighted to host Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar as the Keynote Speaker for the AP Conference.

Dr. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar is an Indian academician, electrical engineer, and education administrator. He is the incumbent chairman of University Grants Commission, and is a professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering at IIT Delhi. He also served as the Vice Chancellor of Jawaharlal Nehru University from January 2016 to 2022.

Symposium co-hosted with the Japanese Cabinet Office

50 Years of Japan-ASEAN Friendship and Cooperation: Process and Future Challenges

Millennium Hall, APU

December 2 (Sat) 2023

10:30 – 12:30

In a first for Ritsumeikan APU, this year's conference will include a Symposium held in collaboration with the Japanese Cabinet Office.

The Symposium will feature a panel of experts in their chosen fields, and will focus their discussion on diplomacy and security in the Indo-Pacific Region.

The Symposium will be held in English, and will be broadcast live on YouTube.

Panelists



Sato Yoichiro

**Professor and Dean of APS at
Ritsumeikan APU**

Will discuss the challenges of Japan's Indo-Pacific security strategy and the prospects for resolving them through an analysis of Japan-U.S. relations, Japan-ASEAN relations, and Japan-India relations,



Kitti Prasirtsuk

**Professor at Thammasat University,
Thailand**

Will focus on Southeast Asian countries' relations with Japan, China, the U.S., India, and South Korea from a Thai perspective, as well as governance and diplomatic issues in the region.



Kim Jiye

Associate Professor at Ritsumeikan APU

Will analyze Indo-Pacific international politics from the standpoints of Japan and South Korea, and present the possibility of Japan leading cooperation with South Korea, Australia, as well as other countries in the Indo-Pacific Region.



Koga Kei

**Associate Professor at Nanyang
Technological University, Singapore**

Will discuss ASEAN-Japan relations, relations between Southeast Asian countries and Japan, and regional governance and foreign policy issues.



Jui Chakravorty

Special Projects Editor, Nikkei Asia

Will discuss the Indo-Pacific region's dynamism and struggle for stability.



Ishida Michiyo

CNA (Singapore) – Japanese Correspondent

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