



A New Phase in Establishing Asia Pacific Studies

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An Epoch of the

時代

アジア太平洋のエポック

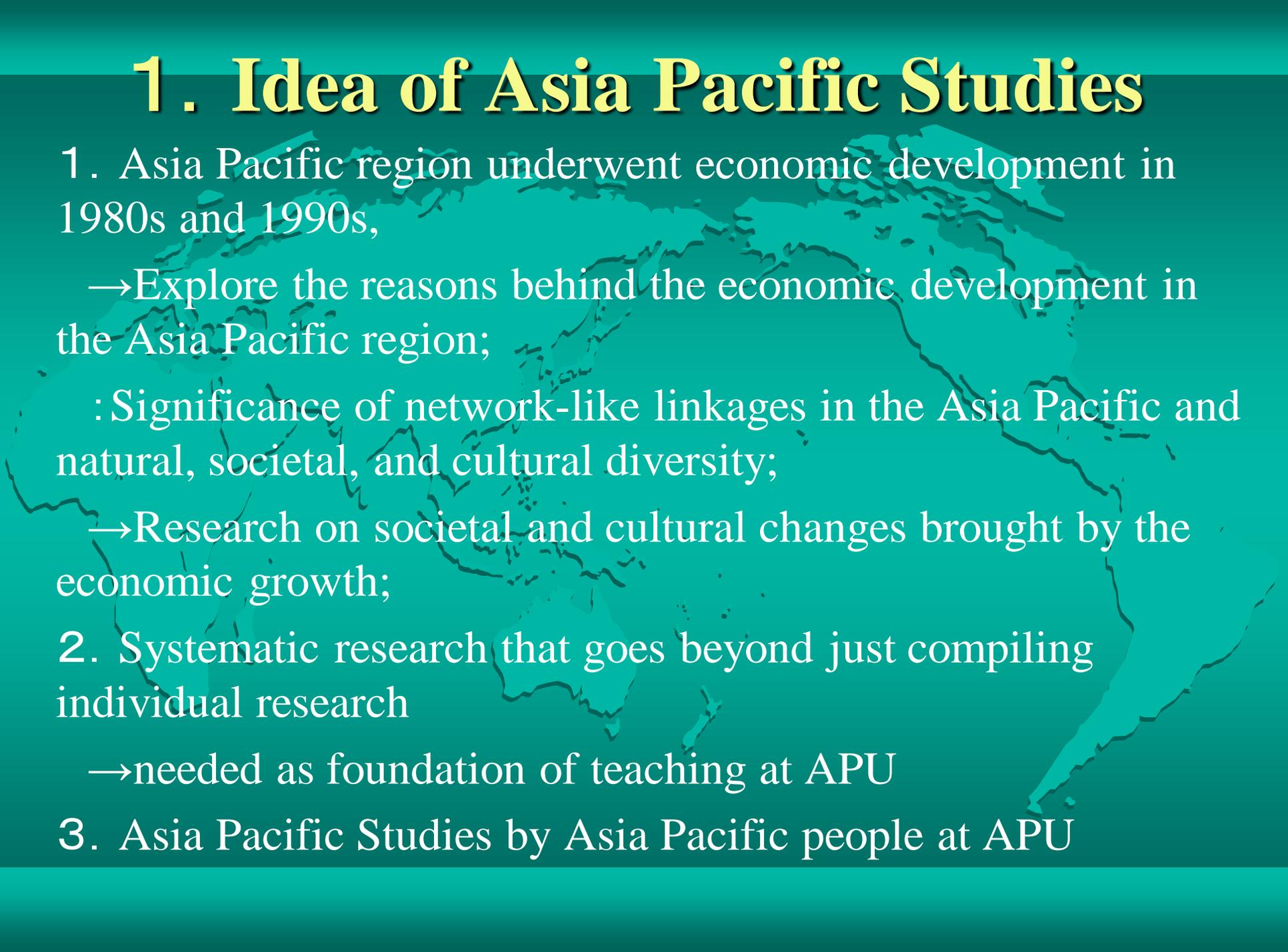
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the Asia-Pacific

1. Idea of Asia Pacific Studies



1. Asia Pacific region underwent economic development in 1980s and 1990s,
 - Explore the reasons behind the economic development in the Asia Pacific region;
 - : Significance of network-like linkages in the Asia Pacific and natural, societal, and cultural diversity;
 - Research on societal and cultural changes brought by the economic growth;
2. Systematic research that goes beyond just compiling individual research
 - needed as foundation of teaching at APU
3. Asia Pacific Studies by Asia Pacific people at APU

2. Basic Perspectives for Research

1. Development of Asia Pacific is a cultural phenomenon

→ Movement of central axis of civilisation (forefront of evolution)

→ Upcoming new civilisation, Asia Pacific Civilisation.

→ Are existing civilisations in conflict with each other?:

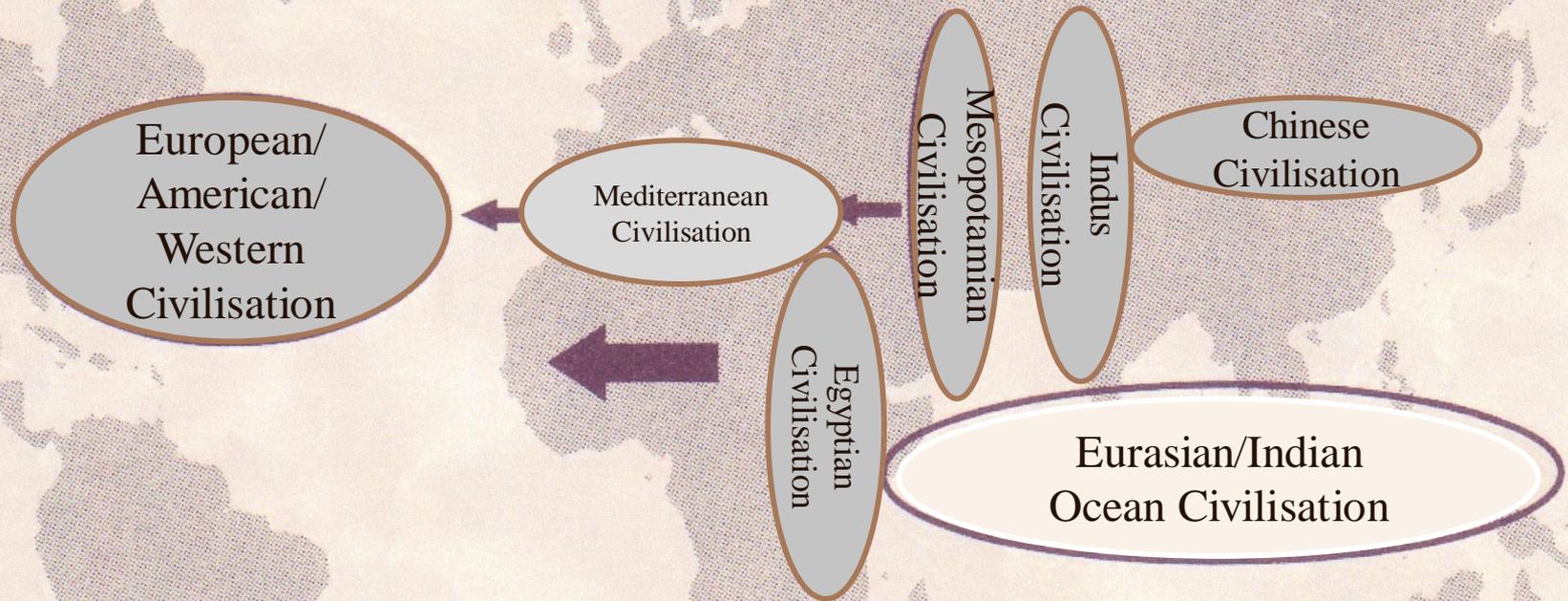
Civilisations are heading towards coexistence and integration.

→ Civilisation orientation of Asia Pacific Studies

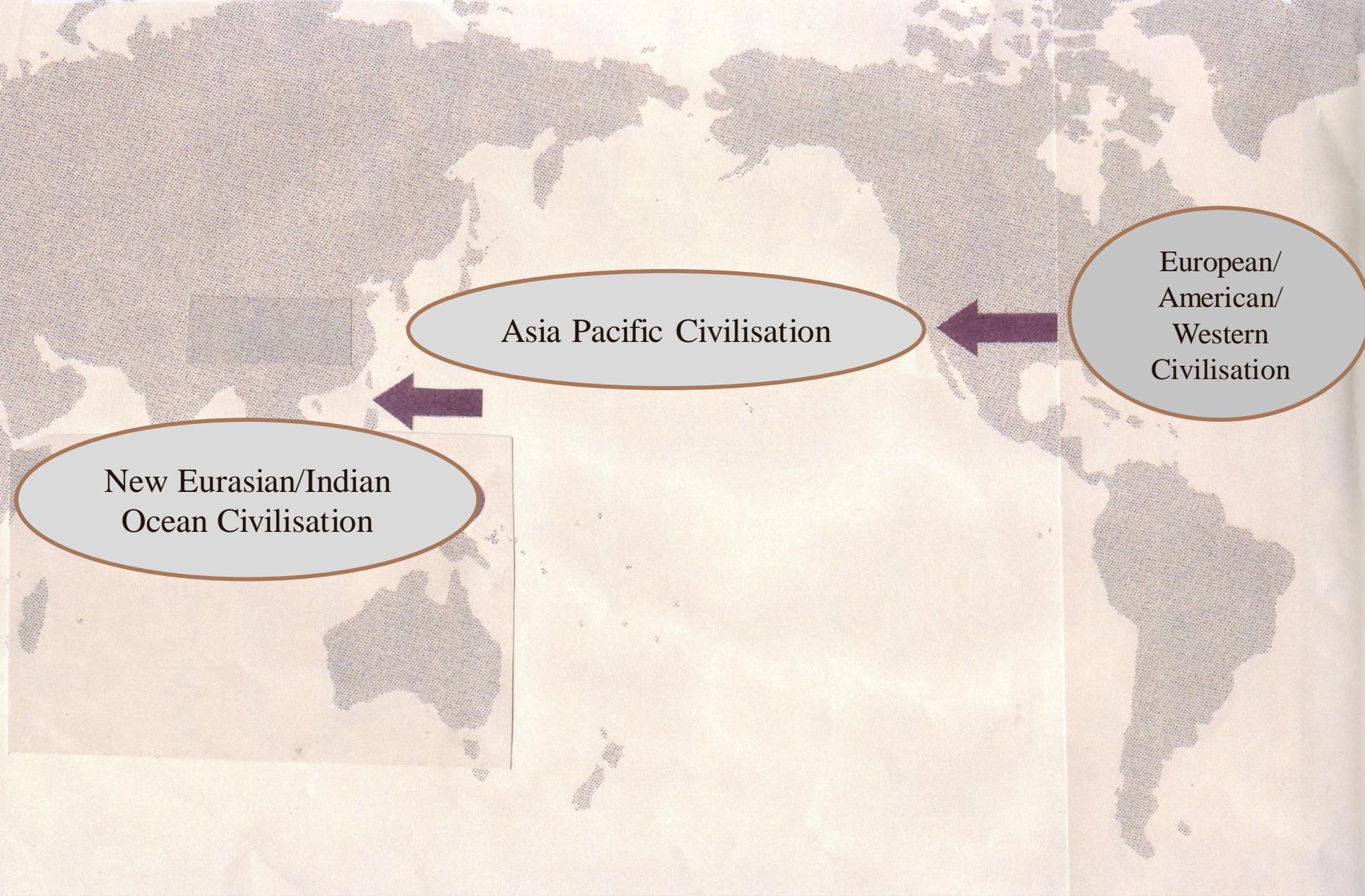
2. Explore policies to build Asia Pacific Civilisation.

→ Policy-oriented research: economy, society, culture, religion, nature conservation, human resources development

→ Policy orientation of Asia Pacific Studies



Movement of central axis of civilisation ①



Movement of central axis of civilization ②

3. New Development of Asia Pacific Era

1. The concept of Asia Pacific Studies was proposed when the Asia Pacific was emerging (1980s and 1990s)

2. The Asia Pacific from the 21st Century onwards

① Rise in income levels in the Asia Pacific and expansion of middle class. Asia Pacific Development has been expanding : Japan→NIEs→China, India → ASEAN→Central Asia, Middle East

→Era of the diversifying Asia Pacific

→Diversification seen in home countries of APU students



② Emerging Africa and Central and South America

→ Globalising Asia Pacific Era

③ Overwhelming expansion of movement of people crossing borders

④ Declining status of US

→ Post G0 World (Era without a global leader)

⑤ Significance of 12 December 2015 Paris Agreement (international agreement) among 196 countries to address greenhouse gas emissions.

Ian Bremmer

EVERY NATION
FOR ITSELF

Winners and Losers
in a G-Zero World



Gゼロ後の 世界

主導国なき時代の
勝者はだれか

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ポスト 西洋世界は

「多様な近代」への大転換

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向かうのか

No One's World:
The West, the Rising Rest,
and the Coming Global Turn

行き着く

のは

混沌か？

もはや西洋の政治・経済モデルは
唯一正しいものではない。
西洋が世界を圧倒した近代史を振り返り、
西洋モデルが通用しない
「誰のものでもない世界」の
到来を鋭く描き出す。

新たな

覇権か？



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4. Development of Issues in Asia

Pacific Studies

① Development and order

→Expansion of challenges to maintaining order: Politics, economy, security, global environment, etc.

→Refugee and migrant problem is an urgent issue (human security)

② Deepening philosophy of civilisation

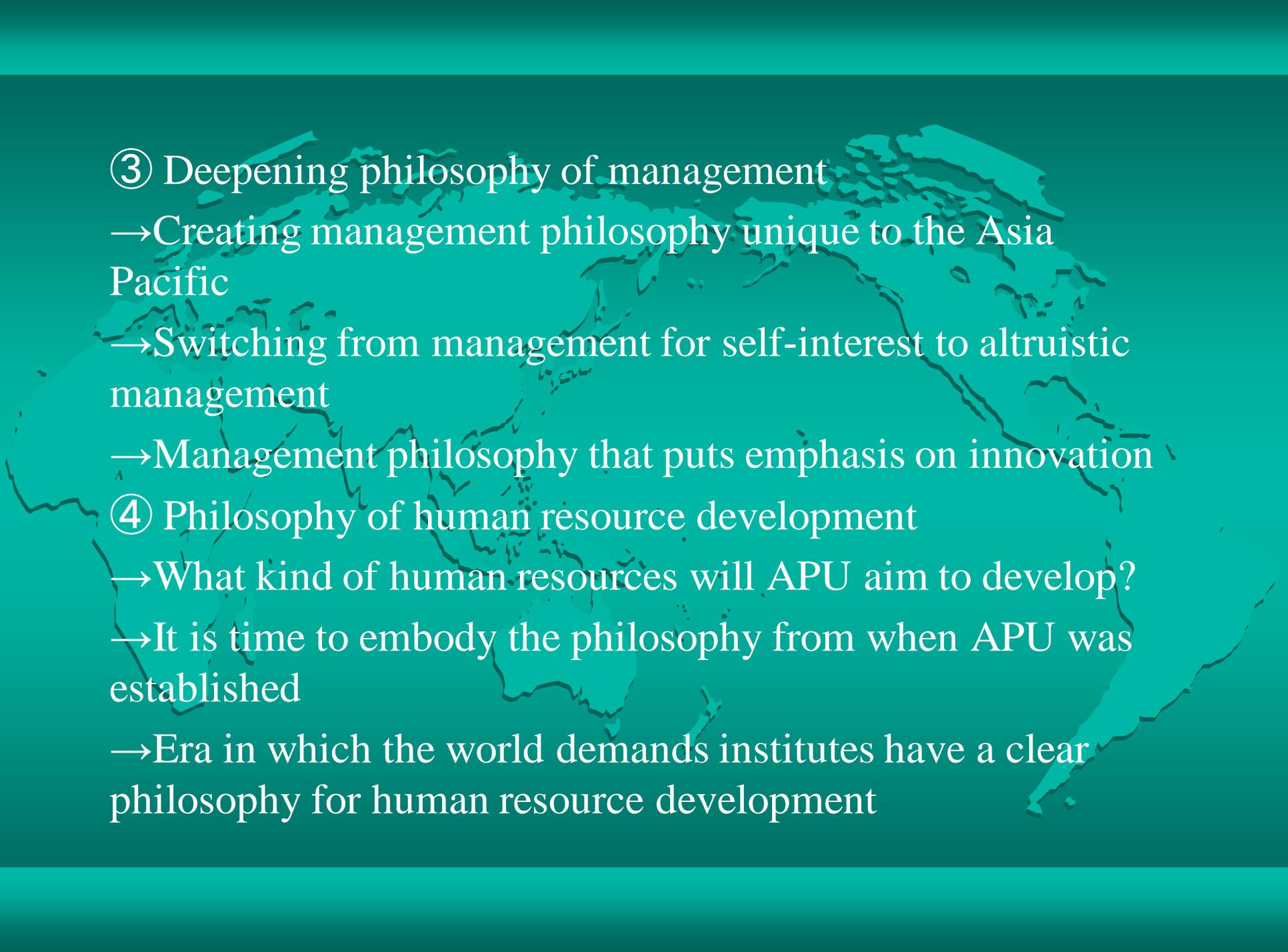
→Philosophy that represents Asia Pacific civilisation (Philosophy when APU was established): Freedom, peace and humanity

→Democracy, which represents Western civilisation

→Is democracy required for the philosophy of the Asia Pacific civilisation?

cf. APU's philosophy does not include democracy.

→Will we be able to imagine a new world civilization that integrates Western and Asia Pacific civilisations?



③ Deepening philosophy of management

→Creating management philosophy unique to the Asia Pacific

→Switching from management for self-interest to altruistic management

→Management philosophy that puts emphasis on innovation

④ Philosophy of human resource development

→What kind of human resources will APU aim to develop?

→It is time to embody the philosophy from when APU was established

→Era in which the world demands institutes have a clear philosophy for human resource development



Thank you for listening.