Call for Papers

International Workshop for Lab and Field Experiments
co-organized by
Japanese Economic Association,
Research Center for Behavioral Economics, Institute of Social and Economic Research, Osaka University, and
The Institute of Socionetwork Strategy Research, Kansai University

DATE: March 17-18, 2021
PLACE: Osaka, Japan

SCOPE:
Experiments, both laboratory and field, were once considered to be impossible in economics. They are now, however, considered to be a main research method in economics. These changes are reflected in the list of recent winners of Nobel Prize in economics: on one hand, Vernon Smith (winner in 2002) and Al Roth (winner in 2012) have deep connections with the development of experimental studies in the lab., on the other hand, Elenor Ostrom (winner in 2009), Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo, and Michael Kremer (winners in 2019) with field experiments.

While laboratory experiments mainly aim to test theoretical implications or functioning of various economic mechanisms in highly controlled settings, field experiments aim to do so in more natural settings. Furthermore, field experiments, especially, through randomized controlled trials, aim to evaluate the effectiveness of various economic policies.

Despite this global development in the field of economics, researchers employing experimental methods in their research are still merely a small minority among Japanese economists. To boost the field of experimental economics in Japan by providing an international forum for researchers to exchange their ideas and problems, we invite you to submit your research covering a broad range of topics related to economic experiments to be presented at this two-day international workshop. We welcome any topics of laboratory and field experiments, and encourage especially young researchers to submit their work.

Selected papers presented at this workshop will be published in a special issue of Japanese Economic Review which is scheduled to be published in January 2022.

LOCATION:
Kansai University, Umeda Campus (KANDAI Me RISE)
1-5 Tsurunocho, Kita Ward, Osaka, 530-0014, JAPAN

(NOTE: Depending on the future development of COVID-19, or any other events that may make hosting of a face-to-face meeting difficult, we may hold this conference online.)

ACCESS:
10-minute walk from JR Osaka Station, which takes about 60 minutes by train from Kansai international Airport.
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

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University of California, Irvine,  
United States

Lata Gangadharan  
Professor of Economics and Joe Isaac Chair of Business and Economics,  
Monash University,  
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HOW TO SUBMIT FOR PRESENTATION IN THE WORKSHOP:
Manuscripts or Extended abstract (more than 1,000 words) should be submitted via  
https://www.iser.osaka-u.ac.jp/event/workshop/20210317.cgi

TIME SCHEDULE:

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Submissions are permitted only for presenters in this workshop.  
Details for the submission will be announced during the workshop.

REGISTRATION FEE:
Faculty members: 10,000 JPY  
Students: 5,000 JPY  
(In case we hold the meeting online, no participation fee will be necessary).

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