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## International Workshop



# Migration and the Remaking of Ethnic/ Micro-Regional Connectedness

Conference Room 4,  
National Museum of Ethnology,  
**December 5-6, 2014**

Tonan-tei, Inamori Foundation  
Memorial Building, Kyoto University,  
**December 7, 2014**

The worldwide upsurge in cultural revitalization movements in diverse indigenous and minority groups in the 1990s vividly confronted us with the reality that every population seeks its originality and uniqueness within the multi-cultural/ethnic landscape of modern nation states against the myth that modernity would push forward cultural uniformity and globalization. Anthropological studies suggest the emergence of a reappraisal of the animistic world view and its shift to a philosophy of symbiosis with nature among indigenous peoples, the making of religious institutions to facilitate the keeping of the feeling of belongingness to their native population, and the (re-)vitalization of local rituals to generate regional solidarity and connectedness. This workshop proposes, being based on a variety of case studies, to explore the similarities and uniqueness in the ways how immigrants, refugees, migrants, or minorities have fought against the dominant culture and the uniformity of globalization to maintain a micro-regional community by remaking connectedness within a group.

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## PROGRAM

### December 5 (Friday) : National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka

- 10:00 ▶ 10:20 Opening Address
- 10:20 ▶ 12:00 Session 1: Historicity and the Remaking of Connectedness  
Setsuko SONODA (The University of Hyogo)  
Toko FUJIMOTO (National Museum of Ethnology)
- 12:00 ▶ 13:30 Lunch Break
- 13:30 ▶ 15:10 Session 2: Symbol and Identity in the Remaking of Connectedness  
Altangul BOLAT (National University of Mongolia)  
Suchart SETTHAMALINEE (Payap University)
- 15:20 ▶ 17:00 Session 3: Everyday Practices and the Remaking of Connectedness  
Liulan KANDA-WANG (Kyoto University)  
Tsering CHOEDON (Independent Tibetan Interpreter and Translator)

### December 6 (Saturday) : National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka

- 10:00 ▶ 12:20 Session 4: Religious Dynamics in the Remaking of Connectedness  
Takahiro KOJIMA (Kyoto University)  
Olle SUNDSTRÖM (Umeå University)  
Elena GLAVATSKAYA (Ural Federal University)
- 12:20 ▶ 13:30 Lunch Break
- 13:30 ▶ 15:10 Session 5: The Power of Communal Knowledge in the Remaking of Connectedness  
Rikdzin TENSUNG (Sichuan University for Nationalities)  
Tutomu KANESHIGE (Shiga University of Medical Science)
- 15:20 ▶ 17:00 Session 6: Religious Leadership in the Remaking of Connectedness  
Ippei SHIMAMURA (The University of Shiga Prefecture)  
Takako YAMADA (Kyoto University)

### December 7 (Sunday) : Tonan-tei, Inamori Foundation Memorial Building, Kyoto University

- 10:00 ▶ 12:00 General Discussions & Closing Remarks



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