Seminars on Migrant Integration Policy

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Speaker: Dr. Thomas Liebig, Senior Administrator, OECD

Participation Fee: Free of charge

Language: English (Japanese interpretation if necessary)

Deadline for Registration: Friday, 13 May 2016 Registration and Inquiry: yamawaki@meiji.ac.jp

1st Seminar

Date: Wednesday, 25 May 2016

Time: 18:15-20:15

Venue: Room 310, Meiji University Nakano Campus

Theme: Refugee Integration in Europe and Beyond: Issues and Challenges

Schedule:

18:15 Opening

18:20 Lecture by Dr. Liebig

19:20 Comments by Kimizuka Hiroshi, Ministry of Justice

19:30 Comments

19:40 Discussion

20:15 Closing

Europe is in a critical situation, facing the largest scale of refugee influx since the Second World War. On 28 January 2016, OECD Secretary-General Angel Gurría and UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi have called on governments to scale up their efforts to help refugees integrate. On the same day, the OECD also released a report *Making Integration Work: Refugees and others in need of protection*, which provides the main lessons from the experience of OECD countries in fostering the integration of refugees. Dr. Liebig, who was responsible for the publication of the report, will discuss the main issues and challenges regarding refugee integration in Europe with focus on Germany.

2nd Seminar

Date: Thursday, 26 May 2016

Time: 17:00-19:00

Venue: Conference Room C5, Global Front, Meiji University Surugadai Campus

Theme: OECD/EU Indicators of Immigrant Integration: Findings and Reflections

Schedule:

17:00 Opening

17:05 Lecture by Dr. Liebig

18:00 Comments

18:10 Comments

18:20 Discussion

19:00 Closing

In Europe, indicators on migrant integration have been developed by governments, NGOs and international organizations in recent years. In 2012, the OECD published the first comparative report on indicators of migrant integration in member countries, and in 2013 EU published a pilot statistical report for EU countries. In July 2015, OECD and EU published a new report on migrant integration as a joint-project, compiling the largest international comparative overview of the integration outcomes for immigrants and their children ever undertaken. Dr. Liebig, who was responsible for this publication, will discuss the main issues and challenges regarding migrant integration in OECD countries, with focus on Germany and France.

About the speaker:

Dr. Thomas Liebig, a German national, is Senior Administrator in the International Migration Division of the OECD's Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs in Paris. Since joining the division in 2004, he has been working on the integration of immigrants and their children, the analysis of migration trends, the management of labour migration and the economic impact of migration. He is currently in charge of the OECD work on the integration of immigrants, including the joint EU-OECD indicators of immigrant integration. He recently co-authored the OECD reviews on the management of labour migration in Germany and New Zealand, work on Austria and Canada is ongoing. Other recent work included a first-ever comparative overview of the fiscal impact of migration in OECD countries and an analysis of evolution, characteristics and labour market impact of free mobility in Europe.