AGENDA

13.30 - 14.00 | Registration

14.00 - 14.05 | Opening
Osamu Saito Academic Programme Officer, UNU-IAS

14.05 - 14.10 | Video interview of the 3 Japanese experts from the report

14.10 - 14.40 | Sustainability Science in a Global Landscape
Anders Karlsson Vice President, Global Academic Relations APAC, Elsevier
- Which countries publishes most, who collaborates with who and what about interdisciplinarity?

14.40 - 15.05 | Taking an Integrated Approach to the SDGs: A Role for Sustainability Science
Eric Zusman Principal Policy Researcher, IGES
The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the 2030 Development Agenda within which they are embedded offer a unique opportunity to change the course of development for the foreseeable future. This presentation will highlight how researchers working in the sustainability sciences can help bring about this much-needed course change. The main message is that researchers will have an increasingly important role in helping policymakers identify context-appropriate pathways to integration across and within thematic SDGs.

15.05 - 15.15 | Commentaries
Yuya Kajikawa Associate Professor, Graduate School of Innovation Management, Tokyo Institute of Technology

15.15 - 15.30 | Q&A and discussion on ways forward, closing remarks by Anders Karlsson

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UNU-IAS Seminar 1
followed by IAS seminar 2: “UNDP on Monitoring and Evaluation of the Sustainable Development Goals”, Dr. Indran A. Naidoo (UNDP)
Joint reception with the participants of both IAS seminar 1 (14:00-15:30) and IAS seminar 2 (16:00-17:30,) will be offered from 17:30-18:30 at the venue

GUEST SPEAKERS

Anders KARLSSON, Vice President, Global Academic Relations, Elsevier
Dr. Karlsson joined Elsevier in 2012 as Vice President for Global Academic Relations, to work on strategic alliance building, focusing mainly on the APAC region. Before joining Elsevier, he was for 5 years Counselor for Science and Innovation, and head of the Office of Science and Innovation, Embassy of Sweden, Tokyo, Japan, with a regional responsibility for Japan and the Republic of Korea. Before serving as Science Counselor, he was for 10 years Professor at the Royal Institute of Technology - KTH, Stockholm, Sweden. There he led a team working on optics and information technologies, as well as being involved in teaching and research management. His team participated in of European and national projects. His work leading a consortium on advanced information technology - quantum communication and quantum cryptography - was awarded the EU René Descartes Research Prize in 2004 for excellence in collaborative research. He has also held positions as Visiting Scientist at foreign universities and companies.

Eric ZUSMAN, Principal Policy Researcher, Institute for Global Environment Strategies (IGES)
Dr. Zusman holds a bachelors degree in Mandarin Chinese from Rutgers University, a dual Masters Degree in public policy and Asian studies from the University of Texas at Austin and a Ph.D. in political science from the University of California, Los Angeles. For much of the past decade he has worked on environmental issues in Asia. This has included publishing articles and book chapters on water scarcity, air pollution regulation, environmental law and state capacity in greater China. It has also included working with China’s Yellow River Conservancy Commission and the Chinese Research Academy on Environmental Science. He also held research assistantships with the Woodrow Wilson Center’s China Environment Forum as well as Taiwan’s Academia Sinica. In his current position, he is looking at the co-benefits of climate policies in developing Asia. He recently published an edited volume on co-benefits in Asia’s transport sector entitled Low Carbon Transport in Asia: Strategies for Optimizing Co-benefits.

Yuya KAJIKAWA, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Innovation Management, Tokyo Institute of Technology
Dr. Kajikawa received his bachelor’s, and master’s degree, and Ph.D from the University of Tokyo. He is also a Visiting Professor, Strategic Innovation Office, Nagoya University. His research interests include sustainability science, innovation management, and science and industrial policy. He has a number of publications in peer-reviewed journals and conference proceedings, which cover a variety of disciplines including engineering, information science, environmental science, and management science. He is an Associate Editor of Technological Forecasting and Social Change and an Editor of Sustainability Science. He also serves as a member of the Editorial Board for other 7 journals.

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