

Intermission/Buffer

Japan time 12:10-12:20

New Zealand time 16:10-16:20

Session 1: A sustainable and inclusive economy

Japan time 12:20-13:30

New Zealand time 16:20-17:30

Is globalisation working? The haves and have nots, rebuilding a fairer system post-COVID, countering inequality in policy, women and Maori experiences.

Each speaker offers 5-minute opening remarks only (25-30 mins total), before moving to a roundtable discussion hosted by moderator (40-45 mins total).

1. Zhang Yunling – The Community

What has had the biggest impact on the economic development of China's remoter regions? Direct investment or some form of "trickle down?"

2. Anita Prakash – Connectivity

Do Asia and Europe have a common understanding of social "connectivity" and is it shared with the USA?

3. Myanmar – (Absent)

4. Josef T Yap – Sustainability

How can the essentially long-run gains of sustainability withstand the pressure of immediate needs?

5. Somkiat Tangkitvanich – Bridging the digital divide

Thailand is known for both its emphasis on using digital capability and its emphasis on including the rural population in its development plans. To what extent do these characteristics of policy overlap?

NZ moderator – Josie Pagani, Director, Council for International Development

Friday, 4 December

Session 2: The International Economic Framework

Japan time 11:30-12:40

New Zealand time 15:30-16:40

A new global order emerging? – changing trading systems and rules, the impact of US election and US-China trade relations on Asia-Pacific economies.

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1. Yose Rizal Damuri – Developing status and graduation
Will developing economies ever graduate?
2. Ahn Choong Yong – Writing and international norms
How do we encourage participation in joint writing of international norms and rules? Should we seek to do so in an Asian, Asia-Pacific or Indo-Pacific framework?
3. Gary Hawke – Open plurilateralism
Is “open plurilateralism” more than a more modern term for “open regionalism”?
4. Simon Tay – The digital economy and society
Consumer, producer or state control of data? Is a single multilateral framework possible/sustainable?
5. Vo Tri Thanh – Managing change while navigating between the US and China
What happens if the EU and USA prescribe conflicting labour and environmental requirements?

NZ moderator – Charles Finny, Partner, Saunders Unsworth

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New Zealand time 16:40-16:50

Session 3: Regional Economic Integration

Japan time 12:50-14:00

New Zealand time 16:50-18:00

Regional Economic (dis)Integration - building new partnerships and processes (e.g. tele-migration - outsourcing services) in the face of major trade disruption, the role of tech and 5G.

Each speaker offers 5-minute opening remarks only (25-30 mins total), before moving to a roundtable discussion hosted by moderator (40-45 mins total).

1. Murray McLean – Indo Pacific

Do ASEAN and the Quad have a common conception of the Indo-Pacific?

2. Sachin Chaturvedi – Made in India

Will India's interest in the global services market ultimately outweigh its worries about the ability of its manufacturing to compete with China?

3. Shujiro Urata – Just in time manufacturing and “trade in tasks” versus resilience of supply chains?

As China takes up a larger share of the final consumption destination for Asian production networks, what changes are we seeing in the organization of supply chains?

4. P. Ravidran Palaniappan – International commitments and domestic policy

What is the future of international economic integration as a spur to domestic economic reform?

5. Man-Jung Mignonne Chan – Services trade in a time of restricted personal travel

What is an interruption to travel likely to do to cross-Straits investment?

NZ moderator – Suzannah Jessep, Director Engagement and Research, Asia New Zealand Foundation

Closing Session

Japan time 14:00-14:10

New Zealand time 18:00-18:10

1. Summary and Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks to all Participants (5-10mins)

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