

International Symposium
Non-Western Nations and the Liberal International Order
23 September 2023 (Saturday) Saitama University
Conference Room, 7F, Research and Development Bureau (Kenkyu-kiko To)

Program

◆ Opening session 1000-1020

- Hiroki Kusano, Hiro Katsumata, Terumasa Tomita “Backlash against the Global Spread of Liberalism in the West”

◆ Part I: Illiberal bandwagoning 1020-1210

- Misa Kanaya, “Autocratization of Egyptian Politics via Illiberal Bandwagoning”
Discussant: Misato Matsuoka & Housam Darwisheh

- Shuichiro Masukata “Illiberal Bandwagoning: US-Brazil Relations under the Trump and Bolsonaro Administrations”
Discussant: Takahiro Yamada & Samuel Conde Amorim

Lunch: 1210-1400

◆ Part II: Counter-backlash 1400-1550

- Kristi Govella, “From Trade Laggard to Trade Leader: Japan's Role in Countering the Backlash against Globalization”
Discussant: Yoshiko Kojo & Ching Chang Chen

- Xianbai Ji and Pradumna B. Rana, “Southeast Asia's Response to the Backlash against Neoliberal Globalization in the West”
Discussant: Myoe Maung & Kyoko Hatakeyama

Coffee break: 1550-1610

◆ Part III: Third-way charting 1610-1800

- Andrej Krickovic, “Russia's Greater Eurasia Project as a “Third-Way” Alternative to Western Liberal Order”
Discussant: Aigul Kulnazarova & Shuhei Mizoguchi

- Kai He, “China's Institutional Responses to the Backlash Against the Liberal International Order”
Discussant: Min Shu & Takeshi Yuzawa

◆ Closing remarks 1800-1810

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All the paper presentations will be based on Hiro Katsumata and Hiroki Kusano (eds.), *Non-Western Nations and the Liberal International Order: Responding to the Backlash in the West* (Oxon/New York: Routledge, 2023).

Abstract

Given the increasing presence of non-Western nations in global affairs, Hiro Katsumata and Hiroki Kusano explore their responses to the backlash taking place in the West against the global spread of liberalism — against the global spread of free trade, multilateral institutions, and liberal-democratic politics. Katsumata and Kusano concentrate on the cases of Egypt, Brazil, Japan, ASEAN members, Russia, and China. Mounted by these non-Western nations are three kinds of responses: illiberal bandwagoning, counter-backlash, and third-way charting. Each of these responses inevitably has significant consequences for the fate of the existing liberal international order established and sustained by the Western countries in the postwar era, either accelerating the collapse of this order by causing additional damage to it or putting the brakes on its collapse by giving support to it.