

The Third V4+Japan Student Conference

The Primacy of English as a World Language: Implications for Japan and the Visegrad Countries

Date: November 25, 2016, 11:00~17:00

Venue: International Conference Room (Bldg. 3, 5th Floor, Kioi-cho
Campus, Josai International University, Tokyo)

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Josai Educational Corporation

(English-Japanese simultaneous interpretation provided)

Schedule:

11:00 - 11:15 Opening Remarks

Dr. Noriko Mizuta, Chancellor, Josai University Educational Corporation

Mr. Milan Slanec, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the Czech Republic in Japan

MC: Professor Nobuhiro Shiba, Deputy-Director, Josai Institute for Central European
Studies

11:15 - 12:30 Panel 1: The Power of English

Moderator: Alicja Strzałkowska, International Student at JIU from University of Warsaw

“The English Language Competence Gap between the Cold War Generation and the
Generation Educated after the Fall of Socialism and Establishment of the Slovak
Republic in 1993” *Monika Brídová (Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia)*

“Foreign Language Education - English in Focus: The Hungarian Context” *Adrienn
Fekete (University of Debrecen, Hungary)*

“Discourse Regarding Introduction of English - Language Education in Primary Schools
in Japan” *Yuiko Kimura and Minoru Masumoto (JIU)*

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch Break

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13:30 - 14:45 Panel 2: Language and National Identity

Moderator: Mr. Grzegorz Biały, International Student at JIU from University of Łódź

“Perceptions of a Changing Linguistic Landscape: Implications of survey by students of Purkyne University” *Michaela Polónyová (Masaryk University, Czech Republic)*

“English as Opportunity not Threat” *Krystian Karolak (University of Łódź, Poland)*

“Challenges and Improvements in English Education in Japan” *Kengo Tobita (JU)*

“Changes in Thinking about English by Japanese Students Studying Languages of V4 Countries” *Takuya Watanabe and Keisuke Ishizuka (JIU) [in Japanese]*

14:45 - 15:00 Coffee Break

15:00 - 15:45 Panel 3: Presentations by JU and JIU Students

Moderator: Mr. Attila Kiraly, Researcher, Josai Institute for Central European Studies

“English as a World Language: Implications for the Medical System” *Wataru Gonda and Hiromi Kishi (JU)*

“The Issue of English Language Signage at Japanese Hot Springs” *Yukie Akayama (JIU) [in Japanese]*

“English in Medical Care and Nursing in Japan” *Marina Suzuki, Minori Hasebe, Natsumi Tsuruoka and Io Tozawa (JIU) [in Japanese]*

15:45 - 15:50 Closing Remark

Professor Tadaki Iio, JU, Josai Institute for Central European Studies

16:00 - 17:00 Reception

Moderator: Professor Boštjan Bertalanič, JU, Josai Institute for Central European Studies