Join international and Japanese speakers to discuss the future of science communication in Japan. What do we want for the field of science communication in 5, 10, or 20 years, and what needs to be done to get there?

Japanese science communication has enjoyed steady growth over the past 10 years, but those gains are at risk of being lost without a vision for what comes next. A diverse range of speakers will offer insight into both the problems and the potential for science communication in Japan, and give their thoughts on how to address our challenges and capitalize on our strengths. Input from attendees will also be encouraged for a collaborative discussion of how best to drive our field forward.

This symposium provides an opportunity for science communication stakeholders to identify common goals, and develop cooperative partnerships to achieve them.

This event will be conducted in English

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日本における「サイエンスコミュニケーション」の5年後、10年後、20年後にどのようなことを望み、そのためにはどのようなことが必要なのか、一緒に考えていませんか？

日本のサイエンスコミュニケーションはこの10年間で着実に成長しました。しかしながら、「次に何が起こるか」というビジョンがなければ、この成長は失われる危険性があります。私たちの強みを活かし、どのように課題に対処していくかを考えるため、多様な講演者から日本のサイエンスコミュニケーションの問題点と可能性についての意見を述べてもらいます。この分野を前進させる最善の方法について、参加者の皆さんがもご意見をいただき、議論していきたいと思います。

本シンポジウムはサイエンスコミュニケーションの関係者が共通の目標を定め、それを達成するために協力しあうパートナーシップを構築する機会を提供いたします。

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Build SciComm:  
An international symposium on strategies for fostering science communication in Japan

Schedule: Nov 2

09:15 – 10:00  REGISTRATION
10:00 – 10:10  Welcome address  
   Prof Kyosuke Nagata (President, University of Tsukuba)
10:10 – 11:10  SESSION 1: Current perspectives on science communication
   The field of science communication encompasses a broad spectrum of activities, and is understood, perceived, valued, and supported differently by people in different sectors and different countries. Furthermore, these conceptualizations and attitudes also change over time. This session will draw from a variety of perspectives to consider the multi-faceted reality of science communication in 2019.
   Prof Nancy Longnecker (University of Otago)  
   Prof Masataka Watanabe (Tohoku University)
11:10 – 11:40  BREAK AND NETWORKING
11:40 – 12:40  SESSION 2: Opportunities through international cooperation
   The distinct national characteristics of each country’s science communication offers opportunities to learn from each other, support each other, and become stronger through our diversity. This session will explore how international relationships can contribute to the field.
   A/Prof Mikihito Tanaka (Waseda University)  
   Prof Brendan Barratt (Osaka University)  
   Dr Linda Sellou (National University of Singapore)
12:40 – 13:30  BREAK
13:30 – 15:00  SESSION 3: Science communication training and education
   Fostering the next generation of practitioners, trainers, and academics is critical for the long term development of the field of science communication. This session will explore current approaches to science communication training and education, and consider how to address challenges and make improvements.
   Dr Jenny Martin (University of Melbourne)  
   A/Prof Kei Kano (Shiga University)  
   Dr Mitsuru Kudo (Osaka University)  
   A/Prof Shishin Kawamoto (Hokkaido University)
15:00 – 15:30  BREAK AND NETWORKING
15:30 – 17:00  SESSION 4: Fostering a supportive environment for science communication
   The field of science communication is in need of invigoration, and this will not happen without motivated action. This session will explore concrete measures for fostering a positive and supportive environment within which the field of science communication can develop and have genuine impact on society.
   Dr Rod Lamberts (Australian National University)  
   Prof Hiromi Yokoyama (University of Tokyo)
17:00 – 17:30  SESSION 5: Roundup
   Panel discussion of the main themes to emerge from Sessions 1~4
17:30 – 17:40  Closing comments  
   Prof Jun Ikeda (President’s Office Chief of Staff, University of Tsukuba)

Symposium Chair: Dr Matthew Wood (University of Tsukuba)

Speakers subject to change. For the latest information and registration visit: https://buildscicomm.eventcreate.com