

## **Japan Association for Human Security Studies**

### **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference 2017**

Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan

4-5 November, 2017

*Securing Freedom from Fear in Conflict: Conjunction of Top-down and Bottom-up Approach*

[Please click here for registration.](#)

### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

The concept and practices of human security, the responsibility to protect (R2P) and protection of civilians (POC), which have common purposes to secure individual freedom from fear, have been developed and applied in numerous cases over decades. However, increasing numbers of people still face a variety of threats, including armed conflicts and terrorist attacks coupled with famine, pandemic diseases and displacement. In most cases, these people are left without protection from their own states. There is a growing demand to revisit the origin of the human security concept and explore feasible prescriptions to save human lives trapped in conflict zones. This conference will examine the reality and nature of on-going conflicts and attempt to untangle the relationships of the existing concepts and practices regarding civilian protection with an aim to discuss what are practical and applicable measures to ensure human security in conflict zones.

We encourage papers that address the conference theme stated above and the related topics such as the responsibility to protect and complex humanitarian emergencies (CHEs).

Topics of interests to the conference also include, but are not limited to:

- Development and empowerment
- Natural and manmade disasters
- Human security and dignity
- Theoretical and empirical studies on human security
- Japanese foreign policy and human security\*

\*The conference language is English. However, the panel on Japanese foreign policy will be conducted in Japanese.

#### How to apply:

Please send abstracts (250 words max.) with necessary information by using the application form to

the following e-mail addresses by September 30th, 2017.

Submit to: [jahss.2017@gmail.com](mailto:jahss.2017@gmail.com); [infojahss@gmail.com](mailto:infojahss@gmail.com)

The Conference Organizing Committee will examine the submitted proposal. Accepted papers will be notified by the early October. The presenter is requested to submit the paper (approx. 4000 words) or resume/extend abstracts (approx. 1000words) for commentators and panel chairs by October 20<sup>th</sup>. Please note that prospective presenters need to be members of the JAHSS. In order to become a member, visit our web site: <http://www.jahss-web.org/>

### **Conference Information**

#### Dates:

The two-day conference will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) and 5<sup>th</sup> (Sunday), 2017. On the first day, we will have a key note speech followed by a plenary session. The academic presentations will take place on the second day starting from 10 am. Conference program will be released by the end of September.

#### Venue:

Ritsumeikan University, Kinugasa Campus, Kyoto

<http://en.ritsumei.ac.jp/access/>

We recommend participants to secure accommodation well in advance as November is one of the high tourist seasons in Kyoto.

#### Registration and other information:

You can register here: [the Conference web site](#). Conference program will be released in September.

#### Fees:

The registration fees are as follows and payable in cash on the day of the conference:

JAHSS Members: 2000 JPY

Non-members: 3000 JPY

Students: 1000JPY (Students will be requested to show student ID)

#### Financial Assistance:

JAHSS does not provide any financial assistance to the participants.

#### Inquiry:

General inquiries about the conference should be directed to: [jahss.2017@gmail.com](mailto:jahss.2017@gmail.com)

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