

#### Refreshment Breaks

Complimentary coffee, tea, and water is available throughout the day in the Kiku base room on the second floor. Light snacks will be provided once in the morning and once in the afternoon. Meals can be purchased at any of the restaurants or convenience stores in and around the Ramada Hotel.

#### Meals & Drinks

As a conference registrant, if you booked through the conference site and if you are staying at the Ramada Hotel then the breakfast buffet is included in your room price. This is a good occasion to meet other delegates. You must book through the venue page of the website to enjoy this arrangement.

#### 20% Off Food and Drink

Conference Delegates are entitled to a 20% discount at the Neuf-Neuf Dining and Café (breakfast, lunch and dinner), The Tenzan teppan-yaki (lunch and dinner), and très très bon (lunch and dinner). Just show your badge to receive this discount.



#### CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

The Conference Proceedings are published on the IAFOR website (www.iafor.org), and can be freely accessed as part of the research archive.

All authors may have their full paper published in the online conference proceedings. Full text submission is due by December 1, 2013 through the online system. The proceedings will be published on January 15, 2014.

Authors will have PDF copies of their offprints emailed to them by the IAFOR office by the end of January 2014.

#### RETURNING DELEGATE DISCOUNT

Every year we have a growing number of delegates who have presented at previous IAFOR conferences.

To show our appreciation IAFOR would now like to offer you a 10% discount off your next IAFOR conference registration.

This offer is valid for the next 12 months and covers any IAFOR conference in either Asia or Europe that you may choose to attend.

The First Asian Conference on Politics, Economics and Law 2013

#### Saturday Session II: 10:45-12:15

Saturday Session II 10:45-12:15

Room: Sakura A

ACPEL - Government, Governance & Public Policy Session Chair: Craig Mark

0199 - 10:45-11:15 Policy After-shocks: Japanese Bureaucratic Response to Change and Major Disasters Teruyo Omura, University of Southern Queensland, Australia John Forster, Griffith University, Australia

0125 - 11:15-11:45 Trust and Preference for Democracy in Thailand Thawilwadee Bureekul, King Prajadhipok's Institute, Thailand Robert Albritton, King Prajadhipok's Institute, Thailand

0139 - 11:45-12:15 The 2013 Japanese Upper House Election: Prospects and Implications for Constitutional Change Craig Mark, Kwansei Gakuin University, Japan

#### Saturday Session II: 10:45-12:15

Room: Sakura B

ABMC - Economic Development, Technological Change, and Growth Session Chair: Anshuman Khare

0068 - 10:45-11:15 Economic Growth of a Small-Open Economy with Tourism and Elastic Labor Supply Wei-Bin Zhang, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan

0091 - 11:15-11:45 The Future of Australia's Automobile Industry Achinto Roy, Deakin University, Australia

0004 - 11:45-12:15 David vs. Goliath: SME's Role in Winning the Sustainability Battle Anshuman Khare, Athabasca University, Canada Dana Coble, Athabasca University, Canada

Saturday Session II: 10:45-12:15

Room: Kashi

ACPEL/ABMC - Interdisciplinary Issues in Economics and Politics Session Chair: Chris Chu Cheng Huang

0111 - 10:45-11:15 From Abandoned Resources to Reborn of Culture Assets: The Governance of Value Creation in Culture Ecology Biling Yeh, National Cheng-chi University, Taiwan Sehwa Wu, National Cheng-chi University, Taiwan

0290 - 11:15-11:45 Legalizing Indigenous Community Resources -Experiences Learned from Implementing the Indigenous Traditional Cultural Expression Protection Act (ITCEPA) of Taiwan Chris Chu Cheng Huang, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan

# the First Asian Conference on Politics, Economics and Law

Conference Date: 21-24 November 2013 Conference Venue: Osaka, Japan Deadline Submission: 1 October 2013 - ACPEL 2013 Conference Theme: Political Governance, Legal Structures and Economic Sustainability - ACPEL 2013 Sub-Themes: - Asian Political Systems, Trends and Sustainability - Asian Economic Systems, Trends and Sustainability

- Asian Legal Systems, Trends and Sustainability
- Asian Political, Economic, and legal Systems in Global Context
- Current Issues in Asian Politics, Economics and Law

For more details, please visit: http://acpel.iafor.org/

# Policy After-shocks: Japanese Bureaucratic Response to Change and Major Disasters

You are here: Home » ACPEL » Policy After-shocks: Japanese Bureaucratic Response to Change and Major Disasters

Category: ACPEL, Oral

## **About the Paper**

### 0199

Policy After-shocks: Japanese Bureaucratic Response to Change and Major Disasters Teruyo Omura, University of Southern Queensland, Australia John Forster, Griffith University, Australia

### Abstract:

It has been argued that changes in Japanese policy after the 1995 Great Hanshin-Awaji (Kobe) earthquake heralded a significant shift in the Japanese government bureaucracy's attitude towards non-profit organizations (NPOs). The Japanese Earthquake and Tsunami of 2011 was also suggested as furthering this process. Evidence is presented that indicates this view is optimistic. Relaxations in financial disclosure requirements and capital requirements after 1995 have been re-interpreted and re-framed by the bureaucracy. The potentially beneficial impacts on the structure of the Japanese NPO sector are insignificant or reversed during implementation by the Japanese bureaucracy. This suggests any post-tsunami changes will also be ineffective. The Japanese bureaucracy has re-asserted its control of the NPO sector to the extent of NPO funds being sequestered by government if their use is deemed inadequate or slow