Can Japanese Development Cooperation Tell us Something about Regional and Global Change?

According to a new book that examines Japan's development assistance transition away from Official Development Assistance and towards Development Cooperation, the answer to this question is yes. The transition carries important messages not only to recipients of foreign aid but also the relationships Japan enjoys with its allies and strategic partners, as well as the relations to competing donors and rivals in the region and around the world.

Come and meet and discuss with some of the authors of the newly released book *Japanese Development Cooperation: The Making of an Aid Architecture Pivoting to Asia* (ed. André Asplund and Marie Söderberg, Routledge Oxon and New York 2017). Professors Marie Söderberg, Stockholm School of Economics, Yasutami Shimomura, Hosei University, Yoneyuki Sugita, Osaka University and Izumi Ohno, GRIPS, all contributors to the book will give short presentation of their views.

Most welcome!

The seminar will be held on March 16, 2017 at 15:00-17:00 at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS).

- ◆ Date and Time: March 16 (Thurs) 2017, 15:00-17:00 (Registration 14:30)
- ◆ Venue: National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Room 4A (4th floor)
- ◆ Language: English only
- Program

15:00-15:05 Welcome remarks

15:05-15:30 Introducing the book

· Prof. Marie Söderberg, Stockholm School of Economics——Global change: Japan's role in the making of a new aid architecture

15:30-16:15 Sharing authors' perspectives

- · Prof. Emeritus Yasutami Shimomura, Hosei University——New development cooperation paradigm and the role of Japan (tbc)
- · Prof. Yoneyuki Sugita, Osaka University——US pivot to Asia and Japan's Development Cooperation Charter (tbc)
- · Prof. Izumi Ohno, GRIPS——Network-based development cooperation as a way forward for Japan

16:15-17:00 Q&A, Discussions

17:00 End of the Seminar