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Demographics, Health and Inequality (DHI) Workshop 2026

“Building a Sustainable and Resilient Future: Addressing Demographic Challenges, Health and Gender Disparities, and Economic Inequality”

Location: [Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology](#)

Dates: 18-20 March, 2026

Organizers: Yuliya Kulikova (OIST), Sagiri Kitao (GRIPS), Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)

Workshop Website: <https://www.oist.jp/conference/dhi-2026>

Preliminary Program

March 17, Tuesday

19.00-21.30	Welcome Dinner in Onna (walking distance from the Moon Beach Hotel, speakers-only)
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March 18, Wednesday

8.15	Transfer from Moon Beach to OIST, registration and welcome coffee
9.00-9.05	Opening Remarks
9.05-10.05	“Anti-Microbial Resistance in the Global Economy” by Jerome Adda (Bocconi) and Jan David Bakker (CEP)
10.05-10.45	“Targeting Health Screening with Subsidies: Evidence from National Health Screening Program in South Korea” by Siho Park (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)
10.45-11.15	Coffee Break
11.15-11.55	“The Menopause “Penalty” by Gabriella Conti (University College London) , Rita Ginja (University of Bergen), Petra Persson (Stanford University) and Barton Willage (University of Delaware)
11.55-12.55	“Social Institutions and Low Birth Rates” by Christine Ho and Yutao Wang (Singapore Management University)
13.00-14.00	Lunch



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14.00-15.00	“How Disability Benefits in Early Life Affect Adult Outcomes” by Alessandra Voena (Stanford University) , Manasi Deshpande (University of Chicago) and Jason Weitze (Stanford University)
15.00-15.40	“Intra-Household Welfare Inequality and Household Public Goods” by Pierre-André Chiappori (Columbia University), Costas Meghir (Yale University) and Yoko Okuyama (Uppsala University)
15.40-16.10	Coffee Break
16.10-16.50	“Growing Pains” in China’s Social Security System” by Hanming Fang (University of Pennsylvania), Xincheng Qiu (Peking University) and Yi Zhang (School of Public Economics and Management)
16.50-17.50	“Welfare-enhancing public and private insurance arrangements for long-term care risk” by R. Anton Braun (GRIPS) and Karen Kopecky (Cleveland Fed and Emory University)
18.00-20.00	Dinner
20.00	Transfer from OIST to Moon Beach Hotel

March 19, Thursday

8.30	Transfer from Moon Beach to OIST and welcome coffee
9.00-10.00	“Racial Disparities in Crime and Wealth” by Ayşe İmrohoroğlu (University of Southern California) , Çağrı Kumru (Australian National University) and Jiu Lian (Australian National University)
10.00-10.40	“Fertility, Marriage Market Equilibrium, and Education Choice” by Frederik Almar (Aarhus University) and Yusuke Ishihata (Duke University)
10.40-11.10	Coffee Break
11.10-11.50	“Educational Competition, Mental Health, and the Allocation of Human Capital: A Macroeconomic Analysis” by Shijun Gu (Central University of Finance and Economics) and Lichen Zhang (University of Hong Kong)
11.50-12.50	“Time-consistent policy with pre-tax or post-tax retirement accounts” by Marco Bassetto (Minneapolis Fed)
12.50-14.00	Lunch



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14.00-15.00	“Measuring the Productivity of Working from Home” by Christine Braun (University of Warwick), Travis Cyronek (Bureau of Labor Statistics, USA) and Peter Rupert (University of California in Santa Barbara)
15.00-15.40	“Population Aging and Business Succession: A Macroeconomic Perspective” by Daisuke Miyakawa, Koki Oikawa and Kozo Ueda (Waseda University)
15.40-16.10	Coffee Break
16.10-16.50	“Infrastructure and Structural Transformation: Evidence from Satellite, Administrative, and Multi-Generation Household Data in a Developing Country” by Soyoung Kim , Yuki Higuchi, Kei Kajisa and Yasuyuki Sawada (University of Tokyo)
16.50-17.50	“Spousal Labor Response to Primary Income: Identification and Heterogeneity” by Yonsung Chang (Seoul National University and Bank of Korea) , Elin Havorsen (Statistics Norway) and Marios Karabarbounis (FRB Richmond)
18.00-18.30	Campus Tour / Slow Walk to the Dinner
18.30-21.00	GALA Dinner
21.00	Transfer from OIST to Moon Beach Hotel

March 20, Friday

8.30	Transfer from Moon Beach to OIST and welcome coffee
9.00-10.00	Keynote Talk “Why Do Households Save and Work?” by Mariacristina de Nardi (University of Minnesota) , Margherita Borella (Università di Torino), Fang Yang (Dallas Fed) and Johanna Torres Chain (University of Minnesota Twin Cities)
10.00-10.15	Coffee Break
10.15-11.15	TBA by Ananth Seshadri
11.15-11.25	Break
11.25-12.25	“Negotiating Parenthood: An Account of the Changing Relationship between Women's Work and Fertility” by Matthias Doepke (LSE) , Fabian Kindermann (Universität Regensburg) and Patrick Leitloff (Northwestern University)
12.25-13.15	Lunch
13.15-19.00	Excursion
19.00-21.30	Dinner
21.30	Transfer home