



**PRESS RELEASE (2016/09/29)**

**Kyushu University to Host World Social Science Forum (:WSSF2018),  
for the first time as an Asian institution**

International Social Science Council (ISSC), an independent non-governmental organization established by UNESCO, is the primary body representing the social, economic and behavioral sciences at an international level. The ISSC regularly convenes a World Social Science Forum, so as to provide a global platform for researchers, funders, policymakers and other stakeholders to debate topics of world significance and to determine future priorities for international social science.

We now announce that Kyushu University has been selected to host the event (: WSSF), one of the most prestigious and influential meetings of the global community, to be held for the first time in Asia, needless to say in Japan, in September 2018.

● **OUTLINE**

Event: The 4th World Social Science Forum (: WSSF2018)  
Date :25 Sep. (Tue) - 28 Sep. (Fri), 2018  
Venue: Fukuoka International Congress Center  
Host: Kyushu University / Parent Organization :ISSC  
Co-host (TBD) : Science Council of Japan (:SCJ) / Japan Science and Technology Agency (:JST)

● **THEME · SUB-THEMES**

Theme: Security for the Sustainable World  
Sub-themes: Sustainability, Human Security, Development, Globalization and Diversity, Resilience and Inclusion, Gender Equality

Other Events to be jointly organized with ①/②, with attendance of Forum keynote speakers:  
① Fukuoka city → Symposium for Citizens  
② Kyushu Univ. → Student Workshop

Forum Committees, Chair Persons  
◆ Chair of WSSF2018 Local Organizing Committee:  
Reiko AOKI, Executive Vice President of Kyushu Univ.  
◆ Chair of Kyudai WSSF Planning Committee:  
Kazuo MIYAMOTO, Vice President of Kyushu Univ.



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