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**ADDRESSING THE AGING CHALLENGE IN EUROPE AND JAPAN
INSIGHTS FROM THE INNOVCARE PROJECT**

Program of the Workshop

**Co-organized by Sophia University, German Institute for Japanese Studies,
and Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences sociales**

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Mandatory registration: https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=p-YOaaVN3E-jFrtZnYKlOo9yT1_ykllHtN3wRgMTpT5UQUQySTdJSFVNVEY0QjVZTVBCSUpVOTHHSS4u&origin=QRCode&route=shorturl

Websites:

<https://www.sophia.ac.jp/eng/article/event/eu20250620eng/>

<https://www.dijitokyo.org/event/addressing-the-aging-challenge-in-europe-and-japan-insights-from-the-innovcare-project/>

More on INNOVCARE project: <https://innovcare.hypotheses.org/>

Morning session: 10:00 – 13:00

By invitation only

Venue:

Onsite: German Institute for Japanese Studies (<https://www.dijtokyo.org/access/>)

Online: <https://sophia-ac-jp.zoom.us/j/94255972988>

Meeting ID: [942 5597 2988](#)

Passcode: 861701

10:00 – 10:15 Introduction: **Franz Waldenberger** (director, DIJ)

10:15 – 11:45: **“From the analysis of older adults' needs to the study of care institutions in Japan and in Europe”**

Sebastian Polak-Rottmann (DIJ) & **Franz Waldenberger** (DIJ): “Institutional innovations - Japan’s community based integrated care system”

Tomoko Wakui (Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology): “A Place That Supports Living as You Are — Aging in Place with Dementia Through Inclusive, Community-Based Care.”

Yasuyuki Gondo (Osaka University): “How do we maintain psychological well-being in the era of 100 years of life? - Lesson from the oldest old and centenarian.”

Beatriz Fernandez (EHESS): “Fighting against the social isolation and loneliness among older adults. International comparisons and challenges for public intervention”

11:45 – 13:00 INNOVCARE Coordination meeting

Coordination: S. Lechevalier, Tom Shibata & Yasuyuki Gondo

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

Afternoon session: 14:00 – 19:00

Open to the public

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14:00-14:05 Introduction: **Brieuc Monfort** (Sophia University)

14:05 – 15:30: **"Technology and care-led innovation for eldercare"**

Katsunori Shimohara (Doshisha University): "Deconstructing Relationality-Oriented Systems from Care-led Perspective"

Shuang Gai (Doshisha University): "Design and Analysis of an Incentive System Centered on 'Care'"

Takamasa Iio (Doshisha University): "Robot-mediated care circulation: Fostering loose interdependence between humans and robots"

Tom Shibata (Kyushu Institute of Technology): "Technology and Co-Creation for the Well-Being of Older Adults in Japan"

15:45 - 17:15: **"Disabilities and ageing, multidisciplinary and comparative approaches"**

Hitomi Nagano (Sophia University): "Dementia in Society and the Role of Social Security Law"

Brieuc Monfort (Sophia University): "The Geography of Aging and Long-Term Care Research"

Toshiyuki Ojima (Hamamatsu University School of Medicine): "Initiatives and Data for Long-Term Care Prevention in Japan"

17:20 – 19:00: **Keynote speech**

Introduction: **Miki Sugimura** (president, Sophia University); **Didier Marty-Dessus** (Scientific counsellor, French Embassy).

Guest speaker: **Sébastien Lechevalier** (EHESS & DIJ): "Care-led innovation, a new paradigm and an application in the Japanese context of ageing Society 5.0"

Discussants: **Kaori Karasawa** (The University of Tokyo) & **Tadashi Kobayashi** (Osaka University & JST)