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*New Directions, New Challenges*  
Burma/Myanmar, Laos and North Korea

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- 13:45-14:30 What can Aung San Suu Kyi Learn from PM Nu's mistake? *Hiroko Kawanami, Lancaster University, United Kingdom*
- 14:30-15:15 Challenges and opportunities for advancing gender equality in Myanmar: a personal reflection *Annami Löfving, Development Consultant, Myanmar*
- 15:15-15:45 Coffee break
- 15:45-16:30 Myanmar and her Challenges in Peace and Democratization Processes: a Minority's Perspective *Isaac Khen, Gender and Development Initiative, Myanmar*
- 16:30-17:15 Myanmar's Reforms and Japan's Response *Toshihiro Kudo, Institute of Developing Economies, Japan*

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- 09:30-10:15 Globalization, Inequality and Social Structures in Laos *Boike Rehbein, Humboldt University, Germany*
- 10:15-11:00 Does Ethnicity Matter? - Inequalities in Self-Rated Health in Lao PDR *Magnus Andersson, Lund University, Sweden*
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-12:15 State-Owned Enterprises and Fiscal Revenue in Laos' State-Building: Between Nationalization, Privatization and Commercialization *Souknilanh Keola, Institute of Developing Economies, Japan*
- 12:15-13:00 The Impact of Emerging Chinese Outward Investment: Evidence from Uneven Development in Northern Laos *Phanhpakit Onphanhdala, National University of Laos, Laos*
- 13:00-14:15 Lunch break
- 14:15-15:00 One year after the 'Arab spring': Any lessons for North Korea? *Patrick Köllner, GIGA Institute of Asian Studies, Germany*
- 15:00-15:45 An ordinary autumn week in North Korea *Mathias Dowler, Lund University, Sweden*
- 15:45-16:15 Coffee break
- 16:15-17:00 The dynamics of Northeast Asian economic cooperation: A role for North Korea? *Werner Pascha, Duisburg-Essen University, Germany*
- 17:00-17:30 Closing discussion



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