



Japan Education Forum for Sustainable Development Goals,  
17<sup>th</sup> JEF for SDGs, Online Conference

# Girls' Education and Innovation



**Keynote Speech1**  
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**Keynote Speech2**  
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Research Institute, Chubu Univ.,  
Professor Emeritus,  
The University of Tokyo

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(Japan Standard Time)

Online Conference via ZOOM, [We will send a zoom link to join the conference later.](#)

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Gender equality and empowerment of women are essential to respect human rights of the individual and to realize sustainable and peaceful society in the world. However, girls and women are still in vulnerable and peripheral positions in various regions throughout the world, and the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the existing inequality. JEF for SDGs focuses on girls' education and innovation from various aspects including challenges surrounding girls' education, STEM education and quality education through innovation. This will give us opportunities to think about education for people in difficult situations caused by various factors.

- 16 : 30** Registration
- 17:00-17:10** Opening Address
- 17:10-17:40** Keynote Speech 1  
Ms. Khady DIOP MBODJI, General Secretary, Ministry of National Education, Senegal
- 17:40-18:10** Keynote Speech 2  
Prof. KURODA Reiko, Designated Professor, Frontier Research Institute, Chubu University, Professor Emeritus, The University of Tokyo
- 18:10-18:20** Break
- 18:20-19:10** Panel Session,  
Moderator: Prof. FUJITA Teruyuki, Professor, Faculty of Human Sciences/Chair, Master's Program in Education Sciences, University of Tsukuba
- Panelists:**
- Ms. FUJIHIRA Tomoko, Executive Officer, Marketing Group, Overseas Business Development Department, SuRaLa Net Co.,Ltd.
  - Prof. FUJITA Teruyuki, Professor, Faculty of Human Sciences/Chair, Master's Program in Education Sciences, University of Tsukuba
  - Ms. Shabana BASIJ-RASIKH, Co-founder & President of School of Leadership, Afghanistan (SOLA)
  - Ms. NAKAJIMA Sachiko, Jazz pianist, Mathematician, steAm, Inc., CEO (STEM Girls Ambassador, Cabinet Office)
  - Dr. Paula RAZQUIN, Principal Investigator, UNESCO International Institute for Educational Planning, Office for Latin America
- 19:10-19:40** Open Floor Discussions, Questions and Answers (All speakers participating on live)
- 19:40-19:45** Closing Remarks



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