











## JaCMES - LERC - KKLO Joint Roundtable

## Migrants and Refugees Dynamics and Perception toward their Integration

**Date:** Wednesday 28 November 2018 from 14:00-18:00

<u>Venue</u>: JaCMES (Japan Center for Middle Eastern Studies), 2nd Floor, Azarieh Building, A2-1, Bashura,

Emir Bashir Street, Beirut, Lebanon

**Time Table:** Each presentation is 20 min. followed by discussion 20 min.

14:00-14:40 Dr. Maria Bou Zeid, Chairperson of NDU Department of Media Studies

"Media coverage of forced migration between utopia and pragmatism"

14:40-15:20 Dr. Guita Hourani, Director of NDU Lebanese Research Center for Migration and Diaspora Studies

(LERC)

"Why Lebanon Disapprove of any Form of "Asylum"

## 15:20-15:40 Recess

15:40-16:20 Dr. Chen Tien-Shi, Professor of Waseda University

"Historical Transformation and Integration of Chines Diaspora in Japan: Case of Yokohama

Chinatown "

16:20-17:00 Dr. Ikuya Tokoro, Professor of Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa,

Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

"De-centralizing Cross-Border Migration Flows in Asia (TBC)"

17:00-18:00 General Discussion and Closing

**Discussants** Dr. **Kenichi Yanai**, Professor, Kwansei Gakuin Univesity

Dr. Yuko Tobinai, Associate Professor, Morioka University

<u>Chair:</u> Dr. Aiko Nishikida Director of Japan Center for Middle Eastern Studies (JaCMES)

Associate Professor, Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, Tokyo

University of Foreign Studies

**Concept:** This activity to look anew at the current dynamics of migrant and refugees and perception toward

their integration in some Asian countries. Migration & refugee flow have characterized Asian lives and livelihoods in different ways particularly in the last decades as mobility increased worldwide; they have affected employment, citizens-refugees relations, media perception, naturalization, international relations, settlement patterns, etc. This mobility be it forced or voluntary has shaped and changed the composition of Asian societies and given rise to complex problems and opportunities. Speakers will address a wide range of sub-disciplines of social sciences including

communication, political science, human geography, and anthropology.