Program

Introduction

 $14:00\sim14:10$ Maho Isono (Waseda University) Comparative Perspectives on Self-help Groups: Significance and methods

Part I How Self-help Groups are Organized: Their emergence, maintenance, and attempts toward recovery

 $14:10\sim14:35$ Sachiko Horiguchi (Temple University Japan Campus) Who Comprise Self-help Groups?: The case of *hikikomori *and beyond

 $14:35\sim15:00$ Akitomo Shingae (Nagoya City University) Transcending Disjunctures: The case of AIDS and beyond

 $15:00\sim15:25$ Miho Ushiyama (Waseda University) Examining Various Forms of Recovery: The case of atopic dermatitis and beyond

(10 min break)

Part II How Self-help Groups Connect to other Individuals and Networks

 $15:35\sim16:00$ Junko Teruyama (University of Michigan/ Keio University) Examining parent-child relations: The case of developmental disabilities and beyond

 $16:00\!\sim\!16:25$ Maho Isono (Waseda University) Examining the Relationship between Self-help Groups and the Medical Profession: The case of eating disorders and beyond

16:25~16:50 Yusuke Hama (Waseda University) Examining Power Relations between Patient Groups and Business: The case of diabetes and beyond

(10 min break)

Part III Discussion

17:00~17:20 Comments from Eijiro Fukui (Shimane University)

17:20~17:40 Comments from Shinichiro Kumagai (University of Tokyo)

17:40~18:30 Open-floor discussion