



THE AUSTRALIA-JAPAN FORUM ON THE INNOVATION-HUB ECOSYSTEM

29 and 30 November 2021
Adelaide & Tokyo
The Adelaide Pavilion & Online

***All sessions are live-streamed and recorded for the public.**

The Australia-Japan Forum on The Innovation-Hub Ecosystem

As regional innovation hubs, science parks play an essential role in networking resources such as physical infrastructure and R&D policies for technology output. Effective government policies and supports can provide clear guidance on the use of resources to stimulate interactions among tenant companies in science parks and external stakeholders including research institutions and industrial experts. In a science park, the relationship between knowledge creation and research output is determined by the regional government. Thus, governments of many countries, including Australia and Japan, have set the commendable objective to stimulate and commercialise technologies via innovation hubs. However, stand-alone facilities do not in themselves ensure innovation and economic benefits. An ecosystem is therefore developed to allow interdependent yet hierarchically independent and heterogeneous participants to generate values collectively.

A well-developed ecosystem for innovation has been an ongoing concern shared by Australian and Japanese policymakers, practitioners, and academics. While governments of both countries have made generous efforts in stimulating and commercialising new technologies via innovation hubs, outcomes of such efforts vary across hubs in different regions, because physically stand-alone facilities may not be efficient and productive.

This conference opens a dialogue among policymakers, industries, and researchers for exploring possibilities around complementarity through **a two-day dual-venue remote forum**. We aim to facilitate a mutual understanding of innovation-hub ecosystems in Australia and Japan and seek collaborative engagement between the two countries for tangible outcomes of innovation.

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Monday, 29 November

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14:30-16:00 (ACDT) / 13:00-14:30 (JST)

Session 1.1. Opening

Time: 14:30-15:00 (ACDT) / 13:00-13:30 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide) / Online (Tokyo)

Welcome and Opening Address

DFAT Representative, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia

Executive Dean, UniSA Business, University of South Australia

Dean, Waseda University

Session 1.2. Keynote

Time: 15:00-16:00 (ACDT) / 13:30-14:30 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide)

Innovation Ecosystems: Harnessing the Power of Transformation

Prof. [Andrew Beer](#), University of South Australia

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16:15-18:00 (ACDT) / 14:45-16:30 (JST)

Session 1.3. Keynote

Time: 16:15-17:00 (ACDT) / 14:45-15:30 (JST)

Venue: Online (Tokyo)

Tsuruoka Science Park – Innovations in the Twenty Years of Scientific Adventure

Prof. [Masaru Tomita](#), Keio University

A/Prof. [Kazuharu Arakawa](#), Keio University

Session 1.4. Presentation

Time: 17:00-17:30 (ACDT) / 15:30-16:00 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide)

Innovation Districts as a Strategy for Economic and Social Development

Ms. [Yvette van Eenennaam](#), Adelaide BioMed City

Session 1.5. Presentation

Time: 17:30-18:00 (ACDT) / 16:00-16:30 (JST)

Venue: Online (Tokyo)

King Skyfront Overview

Mr. Tetsuya Majima, [City of Kawasaki](#)

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Session 1.6. Presentation

Time: 18:15-18:45 (ACDT) / 16:45-17:15 (JST) / 8:45-9:15 (CEST)

Venue: Online (Oslo)

Non-metropolitan Science and Innovation Initiatives in Japan: A Multi-dimensional Analysis

Prof. [Terje Grønning](#), University of Oslo

Session 1.7. Presentation

Time: 18:45-19:15 (ACDT) / 17:15-17:45 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide)

Talent Attraction for Science Parks in Aerotropolis Developments

Dr. [Mirjam Wiedemann](#), University of South Australia

Tuesday, 30 November

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14:30-16:00 (ACDT) / 13:00-14:30 (JST)

Session 2.1. Keynote

Time: 14:30-15:30 (ACDT) / 13:00-14:00 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide)

Innovation Districts: Activation and Delivery

Prof. [Caroline McMillen](#), Chief Scientist for South Australia

Session 2.2. Presentation

Time: 15:30-16:00 (ACDT) / 14:00-14:30 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide)

Effective Coordination and the Innovation-facilitating Role of Science Park

Prof. [Ying Zhu](#), University of South Australia

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Session 2.3. Panel

Time: 16:15-17:00 (ACDT) / 14:45-15:30 (JST)

Venue: Online (Tokyo)

Star Scientists and University-based Ecosystem

Facilitator: A/Prof. [Kanetaka Maki](#), Waseda University

Panellists: Prof. [Koichi Sumikura](#), National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies

A/Prof. [Tohru Yoshioka-Kobayashi](#), Hitotsubashi University

Session 2.4. Presentation

Time: 17:00-17:30 (ACDT) / 15:30-16:00 (JST)

Venue: Online (Tokyo)

Entrepreneurial EcoSystem in Sweden- Emerging Academic Spinoffs from Chalmers University of Technology

Prof. [Noriko Taji](#), Hosei University

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Venue: Online (Tokyo)

The Role of Universities Fostering Global Entrepreneurs

Prof. [Michi Fukushima](#), Tohoku University

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The Role of Technology Park in Boosting Regional Innovation: Insights of South Australia

Facilitator: Dr. [Ke Xing](#), University of South Australia

Panellists: Ms. [Gillian Hewlett](#), Department for Innovation and Skills (SA)

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A/Prof. [Allan O'Connor](#), University of South Australia

Ms. [Kathryn Anderson](#), University of South Australia

Session 2.7. Closing

Time: 19:00-19:15 (ACDT) / 17:15-17:45 (JST)

Venue: the Adelaide Pavilion (Adelaide) / Online (Tokyo)

Thanks and Farewell

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