

Prospectus

We in the 21st century continue to face internal economic problems as well as a wide range of global challenges in maintaining peace and prosperity, protecting the environment, and upholding the international political-economic system. In our modern society, where individuals and organizations engage in activities that transcend national boundaries, the governmental policies of any one country are bound to affect the welfare of people both at home and in other parts of the globe. The Waseda University 21st-Century Center of Excellence program "Constructing Open Political-Economic Systems" (GLOPE) has as its goal the identification of principles for resolving conflict, building institutions, and coordinating policy among nations whose political and economic processes are becoming increasingly open and interdependent.

The members of GLOPE have crossed over disciplinary boundaries, uniting our expertise in public philosophies, formal theories, statistical methods, and experimental economics in order to develop an open and innovative approach that we hope will advance our knowledge of the world and lead to concrete proposals for designing improved political and economic systems. We call the analytical model we have been attempting to construct the Waseda Model, basing it on the comparative study of political and economic institutions and ensuring its reliability through the use of political-economic experiments and large-scale social surveys. Moreover, we have been working to develop a distinctive GLOPE Method that can serve both as the concrete framework for the Waseda Model and as an effective pedagogical tool.

This year—the last of the five-year GLOPE project—coincides with the 125th anniversary of the founding of Waseda University. Symposia and other events commemorating this anniversary will provide us with an opportunity to present GLOPE's achievements to date and to discuss the tasks that remain to be addressed. We believe that GLOPE's activities have proven a source of stimulation to the intellectual community as a whole, contributing to further progress in research as well as enhancing the quality of graduate-school education.



Douglass C. North

Nobel Prize in Economics, Washington University

NEW DIRECTIONS IN GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY

Waseda University 125th Anniversary Symposium—21COE-GLOPE

Nobel Prize in Economics, Columbia University

Joseph E. Stiglitz



10/18 thu @ International Conference Center

Time: 10:00-12:30

Session: Comparative Perspectives on Political-Economic Systems

Chair: Kazumi Shimizu (Waseda University)

Speakers: Masahiko Gemma, Yukihiko Funaki, Kazuharu Kiyono, Takayuki Ito (Waseda University)

Time: 14:00-16:30

Keynote Speech: **Douglass C. North**

Title: The Natural State: Why Economic Development Is So Difficult to Achieve

Chair: Masazumi Wakatabe (Waseda University)

10/19 fri @ International Conference Center

Time: 10:00-12:30

Session: Philosophy, Political Science, and Economics: A Dialogue

Chair: Hidetoshi Nakamura (Waseda University)

Invited Speaker: Reiko Goto (Ritsumeikan University)

Speakers: Koichi Suga, Naoyuki Umemori, Kazumi Shimizu (Waseda University)

Time: 14:00-15:15

Session: The Computer Assisted Self Interview (CASI)

Chair: Koichi Kuriyama (Waseda University)

Invited Speaker: Yoshitaka Nishizawa (Doshisha University)

Speaker: Masaru Kohno

Time: 15:30-16:30

Panel Discussion

Title: New Directions in Global Political Economy

Chair: Shiro Yabushita (Waseda University)

Discussants: Keiko Kojo (University of Tokyo), Shozo Iijima, Aiji Tanaka, Kazuharu Kiyono, Ryo Nagata, Seishi Sato (Waseda University)

10/22 mon @ Okuma Auditorium

Time: 14:00-16:30

Invited Public Lecture: **Joseph E. Stiglitz**

Chair: Shiro Yabushita (Waseda University)