W-SPRING 2021 Kick-off Symposium

In October 2021, Waseda University began operating the W-SPRING Program. The aim is establish a career path and providing financial support for doctoral students with the support of the "Program for Pioneering Research by Next Generation Researchers" implemented by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST).

We are offering a Kick-Off Symposium to introduce an overview of the program as well as to encourage doctoral students. Doctoral students who have already received support from the program will present their research outline and career plans.

Host : W-SPRING Committee

Date : Sunday, January 30, 2022, 1:30 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.

Place : Online (Zoom) * Please register in advance at the following URL. https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yh_hZlp0QcGX-I5I4Psg8A

Audience: W-SPRING students (D1 and D2 students must participate), undergraduate students, graduate students, faculty and staff

Others : Free of Charge. The symposium will be available in English (with simultaneous interpretation). Schedule :

Moderator: Toru Asahi (Professor, School of Science and Engineering, Waseda University)

Day / Time (JST)		Contents
1:30 p.m 1:40 p.m.	1)	Opening Remarks
		Hironori Kasahara
		Senior Executive Vice President Waseda University/ W-SPRING Project Director
1:40 p.m 1:45 p.m.	2)	Guest Greeting
		Masaharu Shiozaki
		Vice President, Japan Science and Technology Agency
1:45 p.m 1:55 p.m.	3)	Introduction of W-SPRING Program
		Shigeki Sugano
		Dean, Waseda University School of Science and Engineering/ W-SPRING Deputy
		Project director
1:55 p.m 2:25 p.m.	4)	Keynote Speech
		"Expectations and Messages for Doctoral Students Who Will
		Lead the Future of Industry"
		Kumi Arakane
		KOSÉ Corporation
2:35 p.m 3:25 p.m.	5)	Presentation by W-SPRING students
		Presentations by 3 students from D1 to D2 in each of the following
		fields (12 students in total) (3 minutes per person)
		Green Innovation ·Life Innovation
		Digital Innovation Social Innovation

3:35 p.m 4:15 p.m.	6) Panel Discussion
	"Human Resources to be Fostered by the W-SPRING Program"
	Yasushi Sekine
	W-SPRING Green Innovation Field/ Professor, School of Science and Engineering, Waseda University
	Haruko Takeyama
	W-SPRING Life Innovation Field/ Professor, School of Science and Engineering, Waseda University
	Nozomu Togawa
	W-SPRING Digital Innovation Field/ Professor, School of Science and Engineering,
	Waseda University
	Chiharu Tokoro
	W-SPRING Social Innovation Field/ Professor, School of Science and Engineering,
	Waseda University
4:15 p.m 4:20 p.m.	7) Closing Remarks
	Koichi Suga
	Provost, Senior Executive Vice President, Waseda University/
	W-SPRING Deputy Project director

Inquiries:

Waseda University Open Innovation Ecosystem Program for Pioneering Research Office (wspring@list.waseda.jp)