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Challenges for Social Policy and Social Work in Japanese and South Asian Contemporary Societies

Organized by the Sri Lanka Association of Professional Social Workers (SLAPSW) in collaboration with the Association for International Social Work (AISW)

Dates: 2nd and 3rd September 2024

Venue: Hotel Janaki, 43, Fife Road, Colombo- 05

Agenda

Day 01 - 2nd September 2024

Time	Session
8.30 am – 9.00 am	Registration of the participants
9.00 am – 10.00 am	Inauguration ceremony Welcome speech by Mrs. Shamini Attanayake, President, SLAPSW
10.00 am – 10.15 am	Morning refreshments
1st Session	
10.15 am – 10.40 am	Address by Dr. Machiko Ohara, Prof., Japan College of Social Work & President, IFSW-AP Building Social Care Systems and Challenges for Social Work in Contemporary Society: Experiences of Aging and Work Life Balance in Japan
10.40am – 11.15 am	Group discussion
11.15 am – 12.30 pm	Group presentations
12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Lunch
2nd Session	
1.30 pm – 2.00 pm	Address by Emeritus Professor Siri Hettige, University of Colombo Social Policy in Sri Lanka

2.00 pm – 2.35 pm	Group discussion
2.35 pm – 3.35 pm	Group presentations
3.35 pm – 4.00 pm	Summarizing and Closing remarks for Day 01 by Mr. Sachinda Dulanjana Witharana, Consultant in youth Policy and Development
4.00 pm	Evening refreshments

Day 02 - 3rd September 2024

Time	Session
8.30 am – 9.00 am	Registration of the participants
9.00 am – 9.10 am	Welcome and Recap of Day 01 by Ms. Rashika Samanmalee, Lecturer in Social Work, Department of Psychiatry, University of Colombo
3rd Session	
9.10 am – 9.40 am	Address by Dr. Viktor Virag, Associate Prof., Japan College of Social Work & Treasurer, IFSW-AP International Migration and Challenges for Social Work in Contemporary Society: Experiences of Migrants and Multicultural Policy in Japan
9.40 am – 10.15 am	Group discussion
10.15 am – 10.30 am	Morning refreshments
10.30 am – 11.30 am	Group presentations
4th Session	
11.30 am – 12.00 pm	Address by Prof. Saroj Jayasinghe, Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo Challenges for Health Policy and Social Work Intervention in Sri Lankan Contemporary Society
12.00 pm – 12.45 pm	Group discussion
12.45 pm – 1.15 pm	Lunch
1.15 pm – 1.45 pm	Group presentation
5th Session	
1.45 pm – 2.15 pm	Address by Associate Prof. Habibur Rahman, People's University of Bangladesh
2.15 pm – 2.45 pm	Group discussion
2.45 pm – 3.15 pm	Group presentations
3.15 pm – 3.45 pm	Open discussion
3.45 pm – 4.10 pm	Closing remarks by Mr. A. Ranaweera, Consultant, SLAPSW
4.10 pm – 4.20 pm	Vote of thanks by Mr. Zohiar Cadre, Vice Secretary, SLAPSW
4.20 pm	Evening refreshments and end of program