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SESSION 2

Wednesday, December 7 5:00-6:00pm (JST, GMT+9)



Speaker: Dr. Ricardo Nicolas Progano

SESSION 3

Wednesday, January 11 5:00-6:00pm (JST, GMT+9)



Speaker: Dr. Husna Zainal Abidin

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Session2:

An introduction to doing fieldwork in tourism

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 | 5:00-6:00PM (JST, GMT+9)

This webinar aims to introduce the concept of fieldwork and provide guidelines for its related challenges. Fieldwork is an essential activity for creating knowledge and producing research publications. However, going to the 'real world' often involves extensive planning, as well as challenges that may often be unexpected during the research plan process. As such, doing fieldwork can be a stimulating but complex task for both postgraduate students and early-career researchers. Additionally, researchers should be aware of several factors that may influence how fieldwork is carried out. Firstly, the selection of a theoretical framework, as well as a defined research question and the identification of research gaps, are key components that will guide fieldwork activities. While research may often be a non-linear activity, this selection is of vital importance. When conducting fieldwork, the researcher will also have to engage with different stakeholders, posing questions on intercultural communication and gender, obtaining the collaboration of 'gatekeepers', and the researcher's positionality. Finally, the geographic location will also influence how fieldwork will be done. Outdoor locations, such as national parks, are considered to be particularly challenging for fieldwork. The webinar will also include the researcher's personal experience in doing fieldwork in Kumano Kodo, a UNESCO Heritage site located in the mountainous areas of Wakayama prefecture, Japan. Through this experience, the researcher will mention practical examples useful for the audience.



Speaker:

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