From IR to IIR:

Emerging Vision in the Age of Global Mobility

Offices of institutional research (IR) are almost ubiquitous across higher education in developed nations. Visible progress has been observed in the area of education including admission and enrollment management, course offering, curriculum development, as well as assessment of learning outcome. While there are many things to do to attain the current mission, IR now faces a new challenge that cannot be solved in-house. Due to the increasing mobility of students and researchers between institutions and across regions, today's IR has to be designed, developed, and managed for students of diverse backgrounds, including international students, disadvantaged students, through both institutional and inter-institutional efforts on student supports, curriculum alignment, credit transfers, and collaborative degrees. This symposium has been organized to discuss and introduce emerging visions and practices over the transformation from IR to IIR (Inter-institutional Research) in the age of global mobility.

Date: August 9, 2019.

Place: Hitotsubashi University, East Campus Faculty Building 3. Third Floor Meeting Room

(Building No. 39 in the attached campus map)

Time: 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Participants (name and institution):

William R. Crawley, Dean and Professor,
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Presenters and topics:

9:30 to 10:30 a.m. *International Students and Institutional Research in US Universities* (40 minutes speech and 20 minutes Q&A)

William Crawley: International Students: Worldwide Trend and the Case of the US Francis Godwyll: Institutional Programs Targeting International Students: Benefits and Issues

Guofang Wan: Institutional Efforts to Work with the Faculty to Best Support International Students

10:30 to 11:10 a.m. *Institutional Research in China and Supporting Rural Students* (30 minutes speech and 10 minutes Q&A)

Sunny Niu: Using IR Data to Support Rural Students at Elite Universities
Yi Lu: Multi-institutional Effort to Improve Teaching Quality Using Course Evaluation

11:10 to 11:30 a.m. *Institutional Research in the Age of Global Student Mobility* Yukari Matsuzuka

11:30 a.m. to noon. Open discussion

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