

AY2016 Interactive Evening Lounge – Proposal/Report for SIP Group

Please fill out the proposal and submit **one month prior** to the IEL.

After the IEL, please fill out the report and re-submit the revised version.

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Proposal

Date/Time	Thursday November 24th, 2016 from 18:30 to 20:30
Place	ischool 〒113-8656 東京都文京区本郷 7-3-1 東京大学工学部 11 号館 4 階 i.school スタジオ
Title	Exploring issues and opportunities arising from the Refugee Crisis via Social Entrepreneurship
Organizer	SIP Group No. 11 Hult Prize on Social entrepreneurship - “The planet’s largest student competition to solve the world's toughest challenges” (Faculty member to attend: _____)
Summary	<p>The IEL will consist of a look into one of the most pressing societal issues of our generation: the refugee crisis. Yuji Shinohara, from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and alumnus from the UTokyo, will present his first hand experience helping refugees in Turkey and Serbia, and how innovative social enterprises can help in times of crisis. Together, with the help of the UTokyo innovation hub (ischool: http://ischool.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/about/), participants will brainstorm on what are some pressing issues and opportunities arising due to forced migration.</p> <p>Lastly, the IEL will serve for students wanting to participate in the Hult Prize on Social Entrepreneurship http://www.hultprizeat.com/tokyo to learn more about the challenge and opportunity to win 1 Million USD and help 10 Million people whilst representing the University of Tokyo in a Regional Final of their choice (San Francisco, Boston, London, Dubai or Shanghai). Particularly we will look into the expected contents for the pitch, judging criteria to be followed and will facilitate an opportunity to find additional team members.</p> <p>Outline 18:30-18:45 Introduction to the Hult Prize 18:45-19:15 First hand experience helping refugees - by Yuji Shinohara from JICA</p>

	19:15-20:00 Workshop exploring issues faced by refugees and opportunities arising in this situation 20:00-20:30 Hult Prize in detail: judging criteria, contents of the pitch and team making opportunity
Budget	(Form SIP Budget) 0 Yen
Paid invited speaker (optional)	(The name, affiliation, job title, and e-mail address of the speaker, if s/he is paid)

Report

(English only)

Number of participants	40
Reporter	(Host) Alba Zurriaga Carda (Invited speakers) Torsten Fischer, Yuji Shinohara and Marc Hew
Impressions /Comments	<p>As organizers we were very glad to see that many students joined this IEL including those who had already registered for the Hult Prize Project and those who hadn't. They were curious about what social entrepreneurship is and about learning more about the refugee crisis. Last year's representatives of The University of Tokyo at the Hult Prize Regional Finals, Kiran, Marc and Alba, shared their amazing experience with the audience and answered their questions.</p> <p>During the invited speech section, Mr. Torsten Fischer from <i>Forwrd.io</i> first gave a speech on how to turn our ideas into sustainable organizations. His talk encouraged participants to think on ideas that are scalable and feasible, which would really help those in need.</p> <p>The second speaker was Mr. Yuji Shinohara. He is the country officer of the Balkans and Turkey for the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA). He works directly with refugees in these areas in technical cooperation projects targeted towards refugees and host communities. He shared with us his first-hand information about how his work and support to refugees. He also shared the technicalities and other non-obvious problems that deserve our attention.</p> <p>The IEL ended with the presentation from Mr. Marc Hew from St. Gallen Symposium Committee in Switzerland. St. Gallen Symposium is an annual conference taking place at the University of St. Gallen, aimed at fostering intergenerational and intercultural dialogue between the decision makers of today and tomorrow. Mr. Marc Hew encouraged us to keeping thinking big and making our society a better one.</p> <p>We experienced some technical difficulties, as the room we had reserved from i-school was unavailable due to a prior workshop going on for too long. Fortunately the speakers and participants were very understanding and adapted to the changing circumstances. For the regional final, we already have an independent reservation and this won't be a problem.</p>

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