

# THE 90TH GSDM PLATFORM SEMINAR

## Life Course Epidemiology and Women's Health

Jointly hosted by Department of Public Health and GSDM

18:00-19:30 Monday, June 26, 2017

Room W401, Medical Faculty Building #3 Annex

Hongo Campus, the University of Tokyo

In English (Simultaneous interpretation NOT provided)



GSDM will host a seminar in order to help understand women's health. The Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health (ALSWH) is a longitudinal survey of over 58,000 women in three cohorts who were aged 18-23, 45-50 and 70-75 when surveys began in 1996 and is one of the biggest studies of its kind globally. More than 660 research projects have relied on the information to look at everything from reproductive health to domestic violence, obesity, breastfeeding and pre-determinates for serious illness. In 2012/13 more than 17,000 young women aged 18-23 were recruited to form a new cohort. ALSWH assesses women's physical and mental health, as well as psychosocial aspects of health (such as socio-demographic and lifestyle factors) and their use of health services. ALSWH director Professor Gita Mishra will introduce major key findings health related outcome across the life course from the study. She will present trends in socio demographic factors and health behaviors over time and demonstrate age-period-cohort effects as appropriate.

She is also undertaking cross-cohort research by combining data at the individual level from more than 230 000 participants from 23 existing observational studies across the globe, including Denmark, Japan, Sweden, Norway, UK, USA, Morocco, Lebanon, Spain and Australia. She will highlight some of the challenges in continuing longitudinal study, and in developing international collaborations.

17:50-18:00 Registration

18:00-18:05 Opening remarks by Yasuki Kobayashi, GSDM faculty,  
Professor, Graduate School of Medicine, the University of Tokyo

18:05-19:15 Keynote speech by Professor Gita Mishra, Director of ALSWH  
Head, Epidemiology and Biostatistics Division  
Deputy Head, School of Public Health, The University of Queensland

19:15-19:25 Q&As

19:25-19:30 Closing remarks by Jung Su Lee, GSDM faculty,  
Project Associate Professor, Graduate School of Medicine, the University of Tokyo